

The Heir of All Things

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Heb 1:2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

- I. He is the heir of all things.
 - A. An heir is one who takes control of, or becomes the possessor of, after another.
 - B. He is far above the angels. (v.4)

Hebrews 1:4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

- C. He is a son, while the angels are never called “sons” of God. (v.5)

Hebrews 1:5 For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?

- D. All the angels were commanded by God to worship Him. (v.6)

Hebrews 1:6 And again, when he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.

- E. The angels are ministering spirits, but Jesus sits on the throne of heaven. (v. 7-8; 13-14)

Hebrews 1:7-8 And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

Hebrews 1:13-14 But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool? Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

- F. All things were created by Him and for Him, and they will only last until He is finished with them, and He will fold them up like a vesture. (v.10-12)

Hebrews 1:10-12 And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

- G. So when all heaven and earth have perished with everything that man has ever seen or known, there will remain only Jesus on the throne with the present inhabitants of Heaven, along with whatever He has redeemed out of the Creation.
 - H. Most people seem to have the idea that Jesus is the “soft” side of God; that somehow Jesus has come to take our side while God the Father is against us.
 - 1. This is a very bad distortion of who Jesus is and what He came to do.

- II. All THINGS are given unto Him.

John 13:3-5 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God; He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself. After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

John 16:15 All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you. (speaking of the Spirit)

- A. We have nothing on this earth that belongs to us, because it all belongs to Him.
- B. Whatever control we have over these earthly things is only temporary and only by his kindness, benevolence, mercy, and longsuffering.
- C. It all belongs to Him and He lends it to whom He will, according to his divine wisdom.
- D. So we then should be content with such things as we have since that is decided in the mind of God for our particular case.

III. All POWER is given unto Him.

Mat 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

1 Peter 3:22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

Ephesians 1:20-23 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

- A. We have no authority over anything because He is the only Potentate.

1 Tim 6:15 Which in his times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

- B. We have no power to control anyone or anything, except by his mercy and generosity.
- C. Power over all FLESH is given unto Him.

John 17:2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.

Jer 32:27 Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?

IV. All things in the CHURCH are given unto Him.

Eph 1:22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

- A. It is HIS church to start with.
- B. He must be FIRST in all things in the church.

V. He is before ALL THINGS.

Col 1:17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

- A. Jesus must be FIRST; above all other things.

Mat 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

VI. All JUDGEMENT is given unto Him in heaven and in earth.

John 5:22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

Acts 17:31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

Revelation 20:11-12 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

- VII. Considering his position, what does all this mean to us?
- A. It would behoove each of us to be reconciled to Jesus and to know that we belong to Him and are one of his sheep.
 - B. If you are not on good terms with Him you should start toward that mark SOON.
 - C. It would behoove each of us to regard all things as HIS.
 - D. We would do well to be concerned about the things He is concerned about – lost souls, righteousness, love for one another.
 - E. It would behoove each of us to recognize He has all power, and quit trying to exercise power ourselves.
 - F. We had better yield the members of our flesh to him, because they are HIS.
 - G. We had better let Him be Head of his church and give Him the preeminence in all things.