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The Son's Superiority to the Angels Based upon the OT Scriptures

Hebrews 1:5-12

‘Study to show thyself approved unto God...’ – 2 Timothy 2:15
The importance of reading and learning God’s word is a vital part of both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

This truth is one of the purposes why we wish to offer you these sermon notes which are to be used while listening to the sermon.

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INTRODUCTION

Today we will continue to consider the Universal Lordship of the Son – Jesus Christ with particular focus upon His superiority to Angels as Proven through the use of OT passages.

The Rule of Faith: meaning that apart from man’s traditions and alleged support from other truthful sources, the inscripturated Words of God are in themselves sufficient to teach us all that we need to know in matters of what to believe (faith) and how to live (practice). They are our final and authoritative RULE of FAITH.

HOW THEN ARE WE GOING TO CONSIDER THIS TEXT?

- (a) THE FIRST PAIR v.5 - (Ps.2:7 and 2 Sam.7:14) treat the Son’s Uniqueness
- (b) THE SECOND PAIR vv.6-7 (Deut.32:43 and Ps.104:4) speaks of the inferior station of the angels.
- (c) THE THIRD PAIR vv.8-12 (Pss.45:6-7 and 102:25-27) emphasizes the Son’s supremacy.
- (d) THE CLIMAX of all these OT quotations is Ps.110:1 speaking of the Son’s present exaltation

HEADING #01 (v.5) – THE SON’S UNIQUENESS

(Ps.2:7 & 2 Sam.7:14)

Ps.2:7 “I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.”

• We can rightfully interpret the Psalm as yes, in a limited and historical sense referring to King David, however in an ultimate and fuller sense we see that David is utilized in the passage as pointing toward the Son, that is...the Messiah.

“...which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son...”

• In the Greek that phrase ‘at any time’ emphasizes the entire course of history.

2 Sam.7:14 “I will be his father, and he shall be my son...”

- This revealed covenant with David which we know from Psalm 2, finds its ultimate fulfilment in Messiah/Son is significant - because nowhere in Scripture does Almighty God make covenant with any of the angels!

HEADING #02 (v.6-7) – THE INFERIOR STATION of the ANGELS (Deut.32:43 and Ps.104:4)

- The Greek word translated ‘world’ here is the same Greek word used again by this writer in Heb.2:5 where the word is properly translated ‘world to come’. οἰκουμένη (oy-kou-men'-ay).
- All this helps us to see that v.6 is teaching that when God the Father, brings or exalts HIS resurrected Son (who is described as the ‘firstborn from the dead’ in Col.1:18) and furthermore whose fulfillment of His covenant obligations magnified His present station as mentioned in v.3 at ‘the right hand of the Majesty on high’ such recognition by God the Father, such honor bestowed upon the Son – is further evidence of the Son’s Superior station and position to that of the Angels!

HEADING #03 (v.8-12) – THE SON’S SUPREMACY (Ps. 45:6-7 & 102:25-27)

- While there is good evidence for such an understanding of this Psalm in its most immediate and historical sense, it can’t ultimately be referring to an earthly Davidic king, very simply because of what is quoted by the writer of Hebrews...vv.6-7.
- **John Gill** “though the word "Elohim" is sometimes used of those who are not gods by nature; yet here is used absolutely, with the attributes of eternity, and most perfect righteousness, being ascribed to the person (referenced in the text), and prove him to be the true God; and this is the reason why his throne is everlasting, and his scepter is called righteous, and why he should be worshipped, served, and obeyed by the angels.”
- **Verbal Plenary Inspiration of Scripture.**

Verbal inspiration means that every word of Scripture is God-given. The idea is that every single word in the Bible is there because God wanted it there. There are no exceptions

Plenary means that “all parts” of the Bible are divinely authoritative. This includes such things as the genealogies of the Old Testament. All parts of the Bible are of divine origin.

APPLICATION - WHERE THE RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD:

1. We are to allow the rule of faith to dictate our faith and our practice. The NT scriptures interpret the OT. In the OT Christ the Son is concealed and in the NT Christ the Son is revealed.
2. We must like a vine which clings to a tree never loose sight nor dull in our appreciation regarding the Uniqueness and Superiority of our Christ, the Eternal and Divine Son.
3. While Angels and Demons (fallen angels) are indeed real, they are all under the Crown Rule of Jesus. Thus, we who belong to Him need not fear any spiritual beings...rather we are to trust and look unto the Son for faithful and merciful protection.