Last time, we established the Epistle to the Hebrews as written to Jewish Christians! He opened: God spoke to you in times past by the prophets, but now in these last days, God has spoken to you by His Son!

THE PROBLEM: For so long, they had looked to Moses and the prophets, NOW, they were having problems "Looking to Christ, and Christ alone"!

On top of that, many Jewish Christians of that day were being persecuted for their faith in Christ, and "some" were forsaking the church gathering for fear of persecution from unbelieving Jews.

Their hearts were divided between Moses and Christ, the prophets and Christ, Aaron, and Christ, and the blood of animals and the blood of Christ!

The writer's objective was to teach them that Christ was the fulfillment of the law and the prophets, but also, that Christ was the end of the OC sacrificial system! "God hath in these last days spoken to us by His Son".

M. Luther: "If the word of the prophets is accepted, how much more ought we to seize the gospel since it is not a prophet speaking, but the Lord of the prophets, not a servant, but a Son, not an angel, but God".

That doesn't mean that we cast aside the OT law and prophets, we understand them "in light of" the revelation of Christ! Luke 24:27,44

## In (V2): God has "appointed His Son" to be "The Sole Heir of all things".

When we think of "AN HEIR", we generally think of children who "inherit" their parents' possessions and estate at death!
But that is NOT how we are to view "God's Son" as Heir to the Father... for God cannot and will not die. We must understand that God appointing His Son as His Heir is not a human transaction!

This should beg the question in your mind, what is Christ's inheritance, given to Him from His Father? "All things":

Hebrews 1:4, 2:8-10. Right here in (2:10) is "The Centerpiece of Jesus' Inheritance" .... You, child of God!

<u>Psalm 2:6-8, 28:7-9, John 17:2, 10:14-16, Matthew 11:27, 28:18.</u>

When the fullness of time came, "God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons".

THAT was when God told His Son; GO! Take possession of Your inheritance & possession. Go! REDEEM, RESCUE, AND RECLAIM the people that I have given to you from the power of darkness, from Satan's kingdom!

Understanding this truth should bring greater clarity to your redemption and salvation and give you a greater understanding

of the prophecy proclaimed to Joseph (by the Angel Gabriel) before the birth of Christ: *Matthew 1:20b-21*.

## But when the Son of Man descended into the world to take possession of His inheritance, it wasn't a peaceful transition of power!

Satan brought out all His guns to kill Christ, but he failed! His ultimate defeat was when he thought he won! But after Christ died on the cross, paid the penalty, punishment, and ransom for our sins, He rose from death and defeated death and the devil and all his works!

Christ IS the Victor! And though Satan failed, NOW dear child of God, the devil wants to kill Christ IN YOU because you are Christ's inheritance and possession; Christ reclaimed you from his kingdom!

That is why we must "never be ignorant" of Satan's methods, tricks, lies, and devices, but we must be sober and vigilant, and we must also never stop looking to Christ, who is the Captain (the Pioneer) of our salvation and "our Rightful Owner" .... Christ is the possessor of our souls!

<u>1 Peter 2:9, Ephesians 1:11-14, 1 Peter 1:18-19, 1</u> Corinthians 6:18-20, 7:21-23

## <u>Dear Christian, God, the Father's Sole Heir IS Jesus, the Son of God.</u>

He is your Redeemer! He descended into the world, and conquered sin, death, and Satan... Christ reclaimed you for His own possession and paid your ransom in His blood!

In Christ, you are no longer Satan's captive, you are no longer under His kingdom or dominion, NOW, you belong to Christ... now go out into the world and live like it!