

God Has Spoken (Hebrews 1-2:3a) October 21, 2018

***Read Hebrews 1-2:3a**

I.A Mystery Revealed...Hebrews 1:1-2

- A. ...through the eyes of a **blind man**. John 9:26-33 – looking back to Isaiah 35:5; Jesus encourages John the Baptist - Luke 7:18-23.
- B. ...through the testimony of **Philip**. Acts. 8:26-35 – looking back to Isaiah 53:7-8.
- C. ...through the life of **Stephen**. Acts 7:51-53 – looking back to all the prophets who made proclamation of a coming Messiah and were killed, even as they killed Jesus, even as they killed Stephen.
- D. ...through they eyes of one complicit in the death of many followers of Jesus, namely **Paul**. Eph. 3:1-8 Another great mystery: God grafted gentiles into His kingdom.

II. A Messiah Reimagined...

- A. **Vs. 2** – The Son – explain Trinity. God reveals to us the way the 3 Persons of the Trinity relate to each other.
- B. **Vs. 2** – Made the world – Creator.
- C. **Vs. 3** – Radiance of the Father's glory – Transfiguration - Luke 9:28-32
- D. **Vs. 3** – Exact representation of God's nature.
- E. **Vs. 3** – Upholds all things by the Word of His power.
- F. **Vs. 4** – Has a more excellent Name than the angels.
- G. **Vs. 5** – Psalm 2:7, 2 Samuel 7:14 - Begotten – unique. One and only. Jesus is in a unique relationship with the Father. Nicene Creed: "I believe...in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made."
- H. **Vs. 6** – Psalm 97:7 - First Born – Incarnation
- I. **Vs. 6-7** - Psalm 104:4 – Angels worship and serve Jesus.
- J. **Vs. 8** – Psalm 45:6-7 - Eternal Throne. Davidic Covenant
- K. **Vs. 12** – Psalm 102:25-26 - Unchanging or Immutable. Same God in OT as in NT as is active today. We change...we have a hard time envisioning our God not changing.
- L. **Vs. 13** – Psalm 110:1 - Sits at the right hand of the Father.
- M. **Phil. 2:5-11, Col. 1:15-20**
- N. Know who Jesus is and know why He condescended to become a man. There was a mission!

III. A Mission Realized...

- A. Hebrews 2:1-3a
- B. Eph. 2:13-22
- C. Eph. 2:8-9
- D. Col. 1:13-14