

WORSHIP HIM

Chris Martin / September 29, 2024 / Hebrews 1:5-14



Week of September 29, 2024

Don't _____ to less than the _____ One (5-9)

1. Thinking back on this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

2. This is a complex passage, but its basic point is clear: Jesus is superior to the angels. The author is highlighting the excellencies of Christ, driving home the point that Jesus is superior to this particular alternative. If the author of Hebrews were writing to Valley Bible Church, what might he be reminding us that Christ is superior to?

3. Most of us would never intentionally allow something to compete with Jesus for the highest authority in our lives; but take some time to think through the last few weeks and consider if anything is competing for your worship. Work? Kids? Marriage? Success? Politics? Something else?

Don't _____ in less than the _____ One (10-11)

4. Flip the question around – think back over the past few weeks (or further back, if needed), and consider a time when you, by God's grace, intentionally chose to honor Christ as King in your life in spite of something else competing for that position. Share with your group if you are willing – we can encourage one another with stories of God's work in our lives!

5. The first chapter of Hebrews is, in part, making an argument for the superiority of Christ to angels. Consider the passage as a whole – what is the author's argument based upon? To what does he point to for proof? Should this example affect the way we defend or explain our faith?

Don't _____ less than the _____ One (13-14)

6. Hebrews 1:5 quotes God the Father speaking of Jesus, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you." Does this indicate that unlike God the Father, Jesus had a beginning? Why or why not?

7. Based on the evidence in this passage, what role do angels play in God's kingdom? Can you build a "job description" from this passage?

8. What is one thing you are applying to your life as a result of studying this passage?