

Creator God!

Hebrews 1:1-4

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Introduction

- The credentials of Charles R. Swindoll
- People are drawn to listen to those who are experts or successful in their particular fields.
- **God HAS spoken to this world!**
 - Through general revelation and creation
 - In the Old Testament times, God spoke at “various times and ways”, progressively revealing pieces of the big picture.
 - In these last days, God has spoken to us through His Son, Jesus Christ. He is God’s FINAL Word to men.
- **Jesus Christ’s superior credentials which gives Him the right to speak to us, and we had better listen.**
 - Hebrews 1:1-4-- *“God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.”*

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A. In relation to God the Father, Jesus Christ is...

1. *“The brightness of His glory”*
 - a. **“Glory” refers to the divine perfections as resembling a bright light or sun.**
 - 1 John 1:5-- *“God is light; in him there is no darkness at all!”*
 - 1 Timothy 6:15b-16-- *“He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting power..”*
 - Revelation 21:23-- *“The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.”*
 - b. **“Brightness” literally means “reflected splendor” or light that emanates from a luminous body**
 - 1) The relationship of the sun with sun beams by which the sun is seen.
 - 2) To look upon Jesus is to see God’s glory or manifest presence.
 - John 1:14-- *“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”*
2. *“Expressed image of His person”*
 - a. “Image”, literally “character” or imprint, the reproduction of, the clone of God
 - b. “Person”, literally “substance or essence”
 - 1) Jesus Christ is the personal, perfect imprint of God in time and space.
 - Colossians 1:15-- *“is the image of the invisible God”*
 - Colossians 2:9-- *“for in Christ all the fullness of Deity lives in bodily form”*
 - 2) Jesus Christ is God in human form

B. In relation to Creation, Jesus Christ....

- Hebrews 1:2-3-- *"God...has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high."*

1. The Agent of Creation-- "Through whom He also made the worlds"

a. God the Father is the source of the materials that make up this universe.

- Hebrews 11:3-- *"By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible."*

b. Jesus Christ is the agent of creation, that is, through Him everything was created that was made.

- 1 Corinthians 8:6-- *"yet for us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and through whom we live."*
- John 1:3-- *"All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made."*
- John 1:10-- *"He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him."*
- Colossians 1:16-- *"For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him."*

c. God the Holy Spirit supervised the entire process making sure everything comes out perfect.

- Genesis 1:2-- *"Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters"*

2. The Sustainer of Creation-- "Upholding all things by the word of His power"

- Hebrews 1:3-- *"Who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high"*

a. Jesus Christ keeps the delicate balance in our natural world so to continue to sustain life.

b. He does so by the "word of His power".

- Psalm 33:9-- *"For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast."*

c. He also holds together this universe so that it does not fly apart.

- Colossians 1:17-- *"He is before all things; and in Him all things consists."*

3. The Heir of Creation-- "Appointed heir of all things"

- Hebrews 1:2-- *"God...has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds."*

a. "Heir" in the New Testament means to "get possession of", not necessarily through death.

b. Jesus Christ inherits the "nations of this world."

- Psalm 2:7-9-- *"'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You. Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.' "*

1) Currently the world lies in the hands of the evil one.

- 2) **Jesus Christ will one day receive the title deed to the earth.-- Revelation 5**
- a) **God the Father is sitting on the throne in heaven**
- Revelation 5:1-- *"And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals."*
- b) **Search is made to find someone qualified to open the sealed book.**
- Revelation 5:2-4-- *"Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and loose its seals?" And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it. So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it."*
- c) **"The Lion of Judah has prevailed to open the scroll and loose its seven seals"**
- Revelation 5:5-- *"But one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and loose its seven seals.'"*
- d) **Jesus Christ is the "lion of Judah" who becomes the heir of all things.**
- Revelation 5:6-10-- *"And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."*
- e) **The transfer takes place with the sounding of the seventh Trumpet Judgment**
- Revelation 11:15-- *"Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord!"*
- c. **In the future, all creation will forever belong to Christ!**
- Romans 11:36-- *"For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen."*