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THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

Part 2

Part 2 - Introduction

- In Hebrews 1:1–4, the author presents Christ as the climax of God's revelation.
- This section (vv. 2b–4) describes the person, work, and status of the Son through eight descriptors.

Descriptor One: Heir of All Things

- Hebrews 1:2b (NKJV): "...whom He appointed heir of all things..."
- Greek: κληρονόμος (klēronomos) – heir, inheritor.
- Psalm 2:8 (NKJV): "Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth for Your possession."
- Believers are heirs (Heb. 1:14; 6:17; 9:15), but Christ is the ultimate heir.

Descriptor Two: Creator of the Universe

- Hebrews 1:2c (NKJV): "...through whom also He made the worlds."
- Greek: αἰῶνας (aiōnas) – ages, creation of space and time.
- John 1:3 (NKJV): "All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made."
- Colossians 1:16 (NKJV): "For by Him all things were created... All things were created through Him and for Him."

Descriptor Three: Radiance of God's Glory

- Hebrews 1:3a (NKJV): "...who being the brightness of His glory..."
- Greek: ἀπαύγασμα (apaugasma) – radiance, outshining.
- Refers to the Shekinah glory. The Son is the radiant outshining of the Father's glory.

Descriptor Four: Exact Representation of His Being

- Hebrews 1:3b (NKJV): "...and the express image of His person..."
- Greek: χαρακτήρ (charaktēr) – engraving, exact imprint.
- Greek: ὑπόστασις (hypostasis) – substance, essence.
- Colossians 1:15 (NKJV): "He is the image of the invisible God..."
- Philippians 2:6 (NKJV): "...being in the form of God..."

Descriptor Five: Sustainer of All Things

- Hebrews 1:3c (NKJV): "...and upholding all things by the word of His power..."
- Greek: φέρων (pherōn) – carrying, sustaining.
- Psalm 33:6 (NKJV): "By the word of the LORD the heavens were made..."
- Christ actively sustains creation and guides it to God's intended goal.

Descriptor Six: Purification of Sins

- Hebrews 1:3d (NKJV): "...when He had by Himself purged our sins..."
- Greek: καθαρισμός (katharismos) – cleansing, purification.
- Points to Christ's once-for-all sacrifice.
- Connects to His high priestly work (Heb. 9:26–28).

Descriptor Seven: Enthronement at God's Right Hand

- Hebrews 1:3e (NKJV): "...sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high..."
- Greek: ἐκάθισεν (ekathisen) – sat down, completed work.
- Psalm 110:1 (NKJV): "The LORD said to my Lord, 'Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.'"
- Christ is enthroned as King and Priest.

Descriptor Eight: Superior to the Angels

- Hebrews 1:4 (NKJV): "...having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they."
- Greek: ὄνομα (onoma) – name, rank, status.
- Christ was always divine, but after His incarnation and exaltation He was restored to His rightful position above angels.

Conclusion

- Hebrews 1:2b–4 presents Christ as:
 - 1. Heir of all things
 - 2. Creator of the universe
 - 3. Radiance of God's glory
 - 4. Exact representation of God's essence
 - 5. Sustainer of all things
 - 6. Purifier of sins
 - 7. Enthroned at God's right hand
 - 8. Superior to the angels
- This foundation shows Christ's supremacy in revelation, creation, redemption, and exaltation.