

### SESSION 3



### IS THERE MORE?

<sup>1</sup>Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup>but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup>He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup>having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

<sup>5</sup>For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"?

Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"?

<sup>6</sup>And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him."

<sup>7</sup>Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire."

<sup>8</sup>But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever,  
the sceptre of uprightness is the sceptre of your kingdom.

<sup>9</sup>You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;  
therefore God, your God, has anointed you  
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions."

<sup>10</sup>And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning,  
and the heavens are the work of your hands;

<sup>11</sup>they will perish, but you remain;  
they will all wear out like a garment,

<sup>12</sup>like a robe you will roll them up,  
like a garment they will be changed.

But you are the same,  
and your years will have no end."

<sup>13</sup>And to which of the angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand  
until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"?

<sup>14</sup>Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

<sup>2</sup>Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. <sup>2</sup>For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable, and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, <sup>3</sup>how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, <sup>4</sup>while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

Hebrews 1:1-2:4, ESV

1. **God has spoken finally and fully in his Son...**

2 Peter 1:3-4, 2 Timothy 3:15

'Long ago...'

'...in these last days...'

...hence the apostles stress remembering what we *have* heard already.

Hebrews 2:1-4; 2 Peter 1:12-15; 2 Timothy 1:13-14

**What about prophecy in the church today?**

Numbers 11:29, Joel 2:28, Acts 1; 2:14-21; Ephesians 4:8-16, 1 Corinthians 14

Also Acts 11:28; Acts 21:10-11; 1 Thessalonians 5:19-21

2. **'STOP MAKING GOD SEEM BORING, NARROW AND DISTANT!!!'**

i) **God's words to us today**

1 Peter 1:23-25; Romans 15:4; 1 Corinthians 10:6; Hebrews 3:7, 4:12

ii) **God's word and Spirit working together...**

John 6:63; John 16:8-13; 1 Corinthians 2:6-16; 1 Thessalonians 1:4-6

Acts 1:8; Acts 1:16; Acts 4:31

Ephesians 3:5; 5:18-19; 6:16-18

2 Peter 1:21; Revelation 2:7

iii) **...to bring us genuine spiritual experience.**

1 Peter 1:23-2:3

Acts 2:37; Acts 2:42-47; Acts 4:33-37; Acts 20:32

Ephesians 1:16-23; Ephesians 3:14-19; Colossians 1:9-14; Colossians 1:28-29

John 9:39; 2 Corinthians 2:15-16

**To think through...**

- What have you heard that you'd like to think/ask more about?
- Think of some ways you've experienced God's Spirit at work through his word - in your life and in the lives of others?
- How should today's teaching shape our approach to Bible times (including Sundays and Midweek)?