

God's Son

Thus far, God's word has established two principles: God has spoken! And God has spoken his true word and the true interpretation of his word! Man is not free to conjectures and speculations about God's word and the interpretation of God's word. In these days, God has spoken to us only through his son.

God Has Spoken through His Son

God has endowed his son with the power to speak for him. This power equals that power that the son has in the creation of all things: it exactly represents the being of the Father. The Son's power to speak includes revelation and creation without any limitations. Heb 1:1-4 states the truth of Revelation in "these last days:"

1 In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. 3 The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. 4 So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

Jesus himself declared these powers to be without limitation in John 3:31-36:

331 "The one who comes from above is above all . . . The one who comes from heaven is above all. 32 He testifies to what he has seen and heard . . . 33 The man who has accepted it has certified that God is truthful. 34 For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit. 35 The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in his hands.

The Son's Power Is Beyond the Power of Even the Angels

Only, Jesus claims to be the son of God and is exalted as the son of God. All other heavenly beings are excluded. Heb 1:5 quotes the psalmist:

5 For to which of the angels did God ever say,
"You are my Son;
today I have become your Father"?

Heb 1:6 teaches his preeminence come from God who commands the angels to worship him:

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

1:6 d Deut 32:43 (see Dead Sea Scrolls and Septuagint)

Heb 1:8-9 identifies the Christ as God (therefore God, your God) on a throne that will last for ever and ever (into the ages of the ages); thus spoiling any and all millennial and dominionist ideas advanced by today's false teachers:

"Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever,
9 You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;
therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions
by anointing you with the oil of joy."

[1:9 f see Ps 45:6,7]

The question of the origin of the universe is answered in Christ: the heavens, the foundations of the earth, and the earth. But Christ will remain and his years will never end. Heb 1:10-12 states the truth of the beginning:

"In the beginning, O Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth,
and the heavens are the work of your hands.

11 They will perish, but you remain;
they will all wear out like a garment.

12 You will roll them up like a robe;
like a garment they will be changed.

But you remain the same,
and your years will never end.

[see Ps 102:25-27]

Therefore Jesus is a triumphant messiah, who sits of his throne in heaven forever. It is this messiah that speaks for the Father in these last days. Heb 1:13-14 concludes:

"Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies
a footstool for your feet"?

14 Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

Jesus Christ Is the Word of God

Jesus is the very word of God in John 1:1-2:

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
2 He was with God in the beginning.

This God, Jesus the Word, became flesh and dwelt among us, and it is through him that we know the Father and through him we are born of God, according to John 1:10-14

10 He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. 11 He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. 12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

All Things Were Created through Christ

In Gen 1:26-27, the son and God are together in creation, and **they made man in their image:**

26 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

27 So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

When God cursed the devil in Gen 3:14-15, the Son already had his power as the exact representation of the Father:

"Cursed are you above all the livestock
and all the wild animals!
You will crawl on your belly
and you will eat dust
all the days of your life.
15 And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel."

God Will Speak through a Prophet like Moses

From the beginning, Christ would be a prophet speaking the exact words of God, according to the very words of God spoken in Deut 18:15; 17-20:

15 The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own brothers. You must **listen to him**.

17 The Lord said to me: "What they say is good. 18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers; I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I command him. 19 If anyone does not listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my name, I myself will call him to account.

When, in the fullness of time, God spoke of his son in Matt 17:5, he gave the same message that he had given to Moses

5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. **Listen to him!**"

Anything other than that taught by the son of God is false; and those, who teach that false message, will be called into account.