

God's Final Word on Redemption

The Book of Hebrews opens with the doctrine of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ as **God's final Word on Redemption to the world** (laleo / a.a.ind.3ps) (palaios) [spoke long ago]. (Heb.1:1-4) is one Greek sentence where the Sovereign God is the subject and His Incarnate Son is the object. (Heb.1:1-:2) semi-colon; (Heb.1:3) comma, (Heb.1:4) period.

“God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world; and He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power when He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much better than the angels, as He has inherited a more excellent name than they.”

**Today's Christmas lesson is based on two homiletical points found in this Greek sentence
(Long ago and Last days).**

1. The 1st homiletical point is Long ago (palaios) [palynology] (Heb.1:1). Examine text: God spoke to fathers (Old Covenant Believers) – Scriptures – Inspiration (2 Tim.3:16).

(Heb.1:1) says that God spoke to fathers in many portions and in many ways. **Six portions and ways God spoke to fathers** about prophetic redemption through His Seed in Old Covenant (Luke 2:9-14).

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| • (Gen.3:15) | Seed of the Woman Covenant | (Rom.16:20) [Angelic Conflict] (AC) |
| • (Gen.12:1-3) | Seed of the Abrahamic Covenant | (Gal.3:14-16) |
| • (Gen.49:10) | Seed of the Judaic Covenant | (Matt.2:6; Rev.5:5; 19:15) |
| • (2 Sam.7:11-16) | Seed of the Davidic Covenant | (Luke 2:1-4) |
| • (Jer.31:31-34) | Seed of the New Covenant | (Luke 22:20; 1 Cor.11:25) |
| • (Luke 1:30-38) | Seed of the virgin Mary | (Isa.7:14; Matt.1:20-23) |

2. The 2nd homiletical point is Last days (eschatos) [Eschatology] Hebs.1:2-4). Examine text: God spoke to us (New Covenant Believers) – Son – Incarnation (Gal.4:4).

Seven things God spoke to Church Age Believers about the historical redemption provided through the Incarnation of His Son (2 Pet.1:3-4; Heb.10:23).

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| • Appointed heir | (Heb.1:2a; Col.1:12-14) |
| • Creator of world | (Heb.1:2b; Col.1:16) |
| • Hypostatic union | (Heb.1:3a; Col.1:15, 19; 2:9) |
| • Sustains the universe | (Heb.1:3b; Col.1:17) |
| • Purifier of sins | (Heb.1:3c; Heb.9:14-28; 10:12-18) |
| • Session at right hand | (Heb.1:3d; Luke 20:41-44; Heb.8:1-2; 10:2) |
| • Inherited a superior name | (Heb.1:4; Phil.2:9-11) |

Here are three doctrinal Christmas ornaments to hang on your heart:

- That the New Covenant Incarnation Revelation of God's Son **is superior to the Old Covenant Prophetic Revelation of God's Son.**”(Book of Hebrews)
- That The Son of God became a man to enable men to become sons of God.” (C.S.Lewis)
- (Heb.9:26) “Otherwise, He would have needed to suffer often since the foundation of the world; **but now once at the consummation of the ages** He has been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.”