

Sunday, December 23, 2018 | Wawasee Community Bible Church | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Josh Weiland

#### Part 4: The Eternal Son is the Final Word Hebrews 1:1-3

## Jesus is God's **WORD** to us

Hebrews 1:1-2a (3a)

God speaks to his people. (v. 1-2a)

1 Corinthians 2:11-12, Psalm 19:1, 4; Rom. 1:19-20; 10:17 Amos 4:13; 1 Kings 19:12; Jer. 7:13

at many times

in many ways

God speaks clearly to us through Jesus (v. 2a)

Matthew 14:33; John 6:38; 5:19; 12:49; 14:31; John 1:1-18

God shows himself to us in Jesus (v. 3a)

Colossians 1:15; 2 Corinthians 4:4; John 14:9; 1:18; 1 Timothy 6:13-16

## and he is fully **<u>GOD</u>**

Hebrews 1:2b-3

*initiator* – he has spoken

John 1:1-2, 9; Colossians 1:15; 2 Corinthians 4:4; John 14:9; 1:18; 1 Timothy 6:13-16

owner — heir of all things Matthew 11:27; 1 Corinthians 8:6

**creator** — he created the world John 1:3; 1 Corinthians 8:6; Colossians 1:16; Hebrews 2:10

*divine nature* — radiance of the glory of God; exact imprint of his nature John 1:1, 18; Philippians 2:6; Colossians 2:9; Hebrews 1:8

**sustainer** – upholds the universe Colossians 1:17

**worthy** — sat down at the right hand Philippians 2:9-11; Revelation 5; Luke 9:32; 2 Peter 1:16-17

## who became fully **<u>HUMAN</u>** to <u>**SAVE**</u> us!

Hebrews 1:3b

Jesus became human... John 1:14; 1 Corinthians 15:21; Philippians 2:7-8

... to be our perfect mediator! 1 Timothy 2:5-6; Romans 8:3; 1 John 4:14; Acts 4:12

# 1:10 Community Group **Homework**

### **Getting Started**

- 1. Describe a time when you have been impatient with an interruption recently—perhaps a small request? Maybe an untimely request that messes up your plans?
- 2. **Read Hebrews 1:1-3.** Review your message notes. What stood out to you from the message this week? Do you have questions? Disagreements? Discuss it with your group.

#### **Digging Deeper**

During this series, our study will follow the traditional season of Advent, and reflect on Jesus' first (and second) coming.

When Joseph learned that Mary was pregnant, he thought he had only two options—to publicly disgrace the woman he loved or to end their relationship in a private divorce. God's intervention, however, opened up a whole new option that he had never considered. **Read Matthew 1:18–25.** 

- 3. What feelings would you struggle with if you were Joseph on hearing this news?
- 4. What does Joseph's decision in verse 19 tell you about what kind of man he was?
- 5. How do you think a typical church might have handled this situation?
- 6. What important facts does Joseph learn from the angel in the dream (v. 20-21)?
- 7. Why do you think God let Joseph work through the struggle of that difficult decision before revealing the true story of Mary's child to him?
- 8. How did Joseph know that this was a genuine encounter with an angel and not a case of wishful thinking on his part?
- 9. What confirmation about Mary's character do you find in this passage?
- 10. What do you think Joseph said to his family after his encounter with the angel?
- 11. What specific truths can you learn about who Jesus was and what he came to do from the angel's words (**v. 20–21**) and from Matthew's reference to Old Testament prophecy (**v. 22–23**)?

## Up Close

- 12. What qualities do you see demonstrated in Joseph's life that would have equipped him to be a good husband to Mary and a godly model to Jesus?
- 13. What principles can you learn from this passage that will prepare you for the next divine interruption in your own life?
- 14. Pray with your group as you close. Pray that God might shape in you a spirit that is open to his interruptions and plans for you.

Many of this week's questions are adapted from: Cindy Bunch, ed., Advent of the Savior: 6 Studies for Individuals or Groups: With Notes for Leaders, A LifeGuide Bible Study (Downers Grove, IL: IVP Connect: An Imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2009), 25-27.

Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them 1:10 Community Groups (the "1:10" comes from Colossians 1:10). The questions here are based on the sermon each week, and guide each group's study. If you're interested in connecting with a 1:10 Group, let us know on the Connect Card in your bulletin.

# PRAYER GUIDE

During your prayer time this week, let's all be praying together about the following items. Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your 1:10 Group.

#### **Neighboring Church**

Pray this week for the ministry and people of Wawasee Heights Baptist Church in Syracuse.

#### **Personal Prayer Items**

#### Word Find for Hebrews 1:1-3 (ESV)

Find the words **bolded** below.

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<b>spoken</b> to us by his Son,	F	G	L	0	R	Y	R	Ν	н	R	G	н	Ι	S
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of the <b>Majesty</b> on <b>high</b>	0	0	0	Е	W	F	D	D	0	L	А	S	Т	Е