## Greater Than: A Study of Hebrews Pastor Mark Lehmann

Jesus is Greater than

Hebrews 1:1-3

"In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. 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." Hebrews 1:1-3 NIV

"God, having spoken to the fathers long ago in [the voices and writings of] the prophets in many separate revelations [each of which set forth a portion of the truth], and in many ways, has in these last days spoken [with finality] to us in [the person of One who is by His character and nature] His Son [namely Jesus], whom He appointed heir and lawful owner of all things, through whom also He created the universe [that is, the universe as a space-time-matter continuum]. The Son is the radiance and only expression of the glory of [our awesome] God [reflecting God's ]Shekinah glory, the Light-being, the brilliant light of the divine], and the exact representation and perfect imprint of His [Father's] essence, and upholding and maintaining and propelling all things [the entire physical and spiritual universe] by His powerful word [carrying the universe along to its predetermined goal]. When He [Himself and no other] had [by offering Himself on the cross as a sacrifice for sin] accomplished purification from sins and established our freedom from guilt, He sat down [revealing His completed work] at the right hand of the Majesty on high [revealing His Divine authority]." Hebrews 1:1-3 AMP

- Jesus is Greater than the angels, because He is the Divine King (Hebrews 1:4,6,8)
- Jesus is greater than Moses, because while Moses was a servant of God, Jesus is the Son of God. (Hebrews 3:3-4)
- Jesus is greater than Joshua, because Jesus brings rest to the people of God. Heb 4:8-9
- Jesus is a greater priest than Aaron, Because Jesus is Holy sinless and Pure

- Jesus is Greater than Anyone or Any Covenant. His covenant is built on better promises and a better sacrifice, which is Jesus Himself (Hebrews 8:6 & 9:12)

"I am an historian, I am not a believer, but I must confess as a historian that this penniless preacher from Nazareth is irrevocably the very center of history. Jesus Christ is easily the most dominant figure in all history."

- H.G. Wells

"Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds." Hebrews 10:22-24

- 1. Let us Draw Near to God
- 2. With a Sincere heart filled with assurance that faith Brings
- 3. Clean Hearts and Clean Minds
- 4. Holding and not letting Go to the Hope in Jesus we profess
- 5. Because Jesus is Greater and He is Faithful
- 6. And Let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds.

"Any person who only sticks with Christianity only as long as things are going their way, is a stranger to the cross."

- Tim Keller

Jesus is Greater Than Anyone
Jesus is Greater Than Anything
Jesus is Greater Than Anything we may face
Jesus is Worthy of our hearts, our lives, our best
Jesus is Worthy!!!

"I have one passion. It is He, only Jesus."

- Count Zinzendorf

"Here is a man who was born in an obscure village, the Child of a peasant woman. He worked in a carpenter shop until He was thirty, and then for three years He was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never owned a home. He never had a family. He never went to college. He never put His foot inside a big city. He never traveled two hundred miles from the place where He was born. He never did one of the things that usually accompany greatness. He had no credentials but Himself. He had

nothing to do with this world except the naked power of His Divine manhood. While still a young man, the tide of popular opinion turned against Him. He was turned over to His enemies. He went through the mockery of a trial. He was nailed to a Cross between two thieves. His executioners gambled for the only piece of property He had on earth while He was dying—and that was His coat. When He was dead He was taken down and laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend. Such was His human life—He rises from the dead. Nineteen wide centuries have come and gone and today He is the Centerpiece of the human race and the Leader of the column of progress. I am within the mark when I say that all the armies that ever marched, and all the navies that ever were built, and all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man upon this earth as powerfully as has that One Solitary Life."

- James C. Hefley