



**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
ORANGE PARK**

discussion guide

March 5, 2023

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:

Hebrews 1:1-4

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, ²but 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. ³He 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, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ¹

D-GROUP AGENDA

Welcome & Catch Up

Begin your D-Group time by taking a few minutes to catch up since your last meeting. Share updates regarding prayer requests shared previously and celebrate what God has done and is doing in the lives of your group members.

Read It

Read the scripture passage, highlighting portions that stand out and things you wish to discuss.

Study It

Among your group, discuss those things that stand out in the passage. For things that may be confusing or create more questions, work together to discover God's truth. Here are a few good books on Hebrews and Leviticus.

Hughes, R. Kent. *Hebrews: An Anchor for the Soul*. Preaching the Word Commentary. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015.

Schreiner, Thomas R. *Hebrews*. Evangelical Biblical Theology Commentary. Bellingham, WA: Lexham, 2020.

Review It

The beginning of Hebrews reads like an epic work of literature. When Pastor David references the chiasm as a literary tool in this writing, what did you think? How does such a connective tool help you better understand what the writer is saying?

¹ [The Holy Bible: English Standard Version](#). (2016). (Heb 1:1-4). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

When it comes to the godhead Trinity, how does seeing Jesus as Creator resonate? In gender-neutral Bibles, the name Father is often replaced with Creator. Other than changing the actual words in scripture (which is bad,) how does this name change impact the identity of the Trinity?

What do you see as the focus of the first four verses?

Five Questions

1. What did you like about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
2. What did you not like or find confusing about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
3. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about God?
4. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about humanity?
5. Who outside your group needs to hear the truths from this week's sermon?

Prayer

Pray for each other. Pray for our church and for others gathering in D-groups. Pray for specific needs shared among your members.