

Study Hints for Thinking Further
International Bible Lessons

Hebrews 1:1-14

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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be the answers to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class.

Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further

1. Name three ways God has spoken to us.

God has spoken through creation (see Psalm 19).
God has spoken through prophets (see Hebrews 1).
God has spoken through His (See Hebrews 1).

2. Can you think of some ways God speaks to us today?

God speaks through the Bible.
God speaks through Bible teaching and teachers.
God speaks through worship and preaching and singing songs of praise.
God speaks through the Holy Spirit in Christians and through Christians to others.
God speaks into our conscience.
God speaks through events in our lives, the world, and creation.

3. How did Jesus and the apostles show that they were speaking the truth of God?

They referred people back to the Old Testament Scriptures as their authority for what they said and did.
Jesus fulfilled the law and the prophets and spoke with God’s authority.
They showed how what they said and did was consistent with the Old Testament Scriptures.
Jesus rose from the dead and God confirmed what Jesus did and taught by raising Him from the dead.
Jesus and the apostles worked miracles of love and compassion to meet the needs of those they came to serve. Some of Jesus’ miracles only God could do; therefore, demonstrating that He was the Son of God.
They obeyed the commandments of God as enabled and inspired by the Holy Spirit.

They sometimes foretold the future and what they said happened exactly as they said it would.

4. From reading Hebrews 1, what are some of the important blessings that you have received as a result of your faith in Jesus, the Son of God?

Faith in Jesus Christ will vastly improve our ability to read, reason, and understand the Bible better. Faith in Jesus Christ leads to our purification of sins and the inheritance of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

5. What are some differences between Jesus and angels?

Jesus is the Son of God, begotten by God the Father, fully human and fully divine. Jesus is the Creator, Savior, and King, who sits on the throne of God. Angels are ministering spirits that Jesus sends to serve His people. The angels are servants of Jesus.

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