

# ***God the Father Calls Jesus “God”***

## ***International Bible Lesson***

### **Hebrews 1:1-14**

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*“But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom” (Hebrews 1:8—KJV).*

*“Of the Son God says, ‘Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom’” (Hebrews 1:8—NRSV).*

The Letter to the Hebrews describes the character and nature of Jesus. Before Jesus came, God spoke by prophets in the Hebrew Scriptures. Throughout His ministry, God spoke to people through Jesus. Amazingly, the Bible reveals that God the Father called Jesus “His Son” and “God.” Furthermore, the Son called His Father “God.” The Bible teaches that one God exists, and God the Father, His Son, and the Holy Spirit are God in their being and essence. Working together, God the Father and God the Son created all things, and the Son keeps all things in existence by the power of His word. Though created things will change and perish, and the Son can change all things according to His will, the Son will never change and He will reign as Lord forever. The Father sent the Son to earth as a human being and named Him “Jesus.” As a human being, Jesus is the only begotten and firstborn Son of God. As God’s Son on earth, Jesus perfectly revealed God and made purification for sins. Because Jesus is the Son of God, He is superior to the angels, and God commanded all the angels to worship Jesus. The Son of God reigns in righteousness; whereas the angels serve the Son of God for the sake of those He came to save from sin and inherit salvation. Having completed His work on earth, Jesus ascended into heaven and now sits at the right hand of His Father on the throne of God. He loves righteousness, hates wickedness, reigns with gladness, and will defeat all of God’s enemies. – L.G. Parkhurst, Jr.

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