**SERMON SHEET 1/29/23**

**Study of Hebrews #1**

**“God Has Spoken”**

**Text: Hebrews 1:1-2**

I. Introduction

II. God has spoken

1. In general revelation (Psalm 19:1-2; Romans 1:18-20)
2. In special revelation (v. 1)
3. In His Son (v. 2)
	1. God’s appointed heir
	2. God’s agent of creation

III. Conclusion – a final word

**QUOTES**

1. Al Mohler:

* *Hebrews is certainly one of the most intriguing books of the New Testament.*
* *Three things we do know about the Epistle to the Hebrews are that it was written to the church of the Lord Jesus Christ (2 Tim 3:16–17), it plays a unique role in the canon, and it instructs all Christians on how to read the Old Testament in proper relation to Christ.*

2. Origen:

*But who wrote the epistle, to be sure, only God knows.*

3. Simon Kistemaker:

*The message is clear: keep the faith, be obedient, remain strong, come to God, and claim your salvation. The author warns the reader against the sin of unbelief that eventually takes its toll and ends in apostasy.*

4. John MacArthur:

*Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven* *(Hebrews 8:1)*. *Here is the whole summary of Hebrews in one sentence. Ours is the High Priest of high priests, and He is seated. His work is done, completely finished for all time and for us*.

5. A. W. Pink:

* [The theme of Hebrews] *is the super-abounding excellence of Christianity over Judaism. The sum and substance, the center and circumference, the light and life of Christianity, is Christ. Therefore, the method followed by the Holy Spirit in this Epistle, in developing its dominant theme, is to show the immeasurable superiority of Christ over all that had gone before.*
* *Before taking up the study of this important Epistle let writer and reader humbly bow before its Divine Inspirer, and earnestly seek from Him that preparation of heart which is needed to bring us into fellowship with that One whose person, offices, and glories are here so sublimely displayed.*
* [God] *has nothing now in reserve. He has no further revelation to make. Christ is the final Spokesman of Deity. The written Word is now complete. In conclusion, note how Christ divides history: everything before pointed toward Him, everything since points back to Him; He is the Center of all God’s counsels.*

6. Carl F. H. Henry:

[Special revelation] is *God’s willful disclosure, through which He forfeits His own personal privacy so that His creatures might know Him*.

7. F. F. Bruce:

*The story of divine revelation is a story of progression up to Christ, but there is no progression beyond Him*.

8. Charles Spurgeon:

*I love to think that He who created all things is also our Savior, for then He can create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit within me. If I need a complete new creation—as I certainly do—He is equal to the task.*

9. Kent Hughes:

 *Expanding souls encounter an expanding Christ.*

**SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE TEXTS**

* **Ps. 115:4-5; Ps. 19:1-2; Rom. 1:18-20; 2 Tim. 3:16; John 1:1-3; Col. 1:16**