He has Inherited a More Excellent Name than Angels

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"God, who at various ways and in diverse manners spoke in times past unto the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken unto us by <u>His Son</u>, **whom He has appointed <u>Heir</u> of All Things**, by whom also He made the ages; who (Jesus) being the Brightness of His (the Father's) Glory, and the Exact Image of His (the Father's) Substance (i.e. Nature), and Upholding All Things by the Word of His (Jesus) Power, and Having Made Through Himself Purification of Sins, sat down on the Right Hand of the Majesty on High; and <u>being Made so Much Better than the Angels</u>, <u>He (Jesus) has by Inheritance Obtained a More Excellent Name than them (the angels)</u>. For unto which of the angels said He (the Father) at any time, 'You are My Son, this day have I begotten You?' And again, 'I will be to Him (Jesus) a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son?' " (Hebrews 1:3-5)

Inherited: from the Greek word **kekleronomeken** which means: <u>having inherited</u>; from **kleronomeo**: to inherit; to obtain or acquire by inheritance; properly <u>to assign</u> inheritance; to inherit <u>by right</u> of inheritance.

More-Excellent: from the Greek word <u>diaphoroteron</u> which means: different, varying in kind, in the positive sense of being <u>more excellent</u> (than others); or surpassing others in excellence.

Name: from the Greek word <u>onoma</u> which means: <u>a name</u>; proper names such as the names of a people or places. Figuratively: the manifestation or revelation of someone's character, fame, reputation, authority, etc... i.e. as distinguishing them from all others. In context: Jesus is the Name above all names; 'par excellence' - the best of His kind because Jesus is the only One of His kind!!

than-Them: i.e. Angels: from the Greek word <u>angelon</u> which means: angels; from aggelos: an angel, a messenger, generally a (supernatural) <u>messenger</u> from God, an angel, conveying news or orders or commands from God to men. Properly, a messenger or delegate – either human or heavenly (a celestial angel). Someone sent (by God) to proclaim His message. In the Scriptures, both the Old and New Testaments, angels are the host of heavenly ministering spirits, who wait upon God Most High and Jesus seated at the Right Hand of God, who are sent by Him to earth to execute His purposes.

For a better understanding consider more closely some verses in Hebrews 1:4-14, in regards to the context of the relationship between Jesus and angels:

Vs. 4 "And Jesus "being Made so Much Better than the Angels,"

The context is that Jesus was made by the Father into Someone who is much "better and superior", in name, attributes, rank. etc... than the angels; and thus Jesus has inherited a more excellent Name than the angels!

Vs. 5 "For unto which of the angels said He (the Father) at any time, 'You are My Son, this day have I begotten You?"

The answer is, not to any of the angels has the Father said, "You are My Son, this day have I begotten You."

Thus, Jesus has inherited a More Excellent Name because He alone is the Father's Only Begotten Son!! Thus it is by right of inheritance!! It is because God is the Father of Jesus; and it is because Jesus is the Only Begotten Beloved Son of the Father!! Jesus is the Only begotten human being of the Father, the Son of God, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit of God in the womb of of a woman, the virgin Mary.

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Vs. 5 "And again, I will be to Him (Jesus) a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son?" it is as it says:

"And Jesus, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he (John the Baptist) saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and descending upon Him (Jesus). And behold a voice from heaven, saying, "This is "**My Beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased."" (Matthew 3:13-17)

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His Only Begotten Son (Jesus), so that whoever believes in Him (in the Son) should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him (through Jesus) might be saved." (John 3:16-17)

Not to any one of the angels has the Father ever said, "This is "**My Beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased." Thus Jesus has a more excellent Name than the angels.

Vs. 8 "But unto the Son He (the Father) says, 'Your Throne, O God (Jesus), is forever and ever; a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom."

In the Kingdom of Heaven Jesus is King; and He rules with a scepter of righteousness. And the angels are subjected to Him as ministering servants to King Jesus; as it says:

Jesus "has gone into heaven, and is (seated) at the Right Hand of God; with <u>angels</u> and <u>authorities and powers being made Subject unto Him</u>." (1 Peter 3:22)

Vs. 13 "But to which of the angels said He (the Father) at any time, 'Sit on My right hand, until I make Your enemies Your footstool?' "

Not to any of the angels has the Father ever said, "Sit on my right hand, until I make Your enemies Your footstool." To be seated at the right Hand of the Father God Most High is by the right of inheritance given by the Father unto His Son Jesus! It is as it says:

May "the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory, give unto you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him; the eyes of your understanding being enlightened, so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, and what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power towards us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power, which He (the Father) accomplished in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead, and set Him at His own Right-hand in the heavenly places, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come!" (Ephesians 1:16-23)

Vs. 14 "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"

Angels are ministering spirits subject to the rule of King Jesus; and are sent by Him to be ministers <u>unto us</u> who are heirs of the salvation that we received in and through Jesus when He became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross, for the forgiveness of our sins; and thus receiving <u>a Name which is more excellent than every name.</u>

Vs. 4 "He (Jesus) has by Inheritance obtained a More Excellent Name than them (the angels) - because of the following:

Jesus is the Only Begotten Son of the Father - God Most High! Jesus is equal to the Father! Jesus is_the Brightness of the Father's Glory! Jesus is the Exact Image of the Father's Substance!

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Therefore:

God has highly exalted His Son Jesus!

God has seated His Son Jesus at His own Right-hand in heaven!

God has made the Throne of God-incarnate (Jesus) eternal!

God has made the scepter of Jesus' Kingdom a scepter of righteousness!

God has subjected angels, authorities, and powers unto His Son Jesus!

God has set Jesus far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion!

God has appointed His Son Jesus to be Heir of All Things!

God has given Jesus a Name which is above every name!

God has thus made Jesus to be so Much Better than the Angels!

Therefore:

By these 'rights of Inheritance' Jesus has Inherited from the Father a More Excellent Name than Angels!!

Vs. 6 "And again, when He brings in the Firstborn (Jesus) into the world, He (the Father) says, 'And let all the angels of God worship Him (Jesus).' " Consider the following:

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus; who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Himself the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men. And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him, and given Him a Name which is above (more excellent than) every name: that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, (of those) in heaven (angels), and (those) on earth, and (those) under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father!" (Phill. 2:5-11)

At the Name of Jesus the angels in heaven bend the knee in worship before Him!! Consider the following scene in heaven:

"And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the Throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them (angels) was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; Saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb (Jesus) who was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.' And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying, 'Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto Him (the Father) who sits upon the Throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever." (Revelation 5:11-13)

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The Father is King of Kings, and His only Begotten Son Jesus is King of Kings!!

They Reign as One in the Kingdom of God!

By right of inheritance Jesus Rules over the angels of heaven!

By right of inheritance Jesus Rules over all things!

The more excellent Name, Glory, Honor, Power, and Reputation, of Jesus... is one and the same as that of God the Father Most High!!!

Truly, truly, ALL Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto the Father who sits upon the Throne, and unto Jesus the Lamb, forever and ever !!!

Worthy are You Lord Jesus to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing – Amen and Amen !!!