



## **Men's Bible Study: The Power of Sonship**

### **Part 3: The Authority of the Son**

#### **The Source of the Son's Authority**

- ❖ The Son's purpose is the Father's purpose – John 12:48-50; John 11:41-44
- ❖ What's in the Father is in the Son – John 5:16-30 (vs 27)

#### **Authorized & Authenticated – Hebrews 1:1-8**

- ❖ Speaking for one implies possessing the authority of the one you are speaking for
  - Mat. 28:18-20
- ❖ Vs. 1: God in past spoke through the prophets – Num 12:6; Dan. 2; Elijah (1 Kgs 19); Isa. 6
  - They spoke for God
- ❖ Vs. 2: Jesus speaks as God:
  - Jesus doesn't bring a message, He is the Message – John 1: 1-5, 6-14
- ❖ Who Jesus is (vs. 2-4):
  - Vs. 2: Jesus is the heir of all things – Col. 1:15
  - Vs. 2: Jesus is the creator – John 1:3
  - Vs. 3: Jesus is the brightness (apaugasma: reflected brightness, shining forth) of his glory – John 17:5
  - Vs. 3: the express image (charaktēr: the exact image of; precise reproduction in every respect) of his person – 2 Cor. 4:4; Col. 1:15
  - Vs. 3: Upholds all things by the word of his power – Col. 1:17; Phil. 4:13
  - Vs. 3: He purged us of our sins – Heb. 7:27; Heb. 10:8-14
  - Vs. 3: He sits exalted at the Father's Right Hand – Psa. 110:1

#### **The Son is Superior to all others, including angels**

- ❖ Vs. 4-8: Jesus is superior to angels – Isa. 9:6-7; Luke 1:32-33
- ❖ He is the Son of God – Psa. 2:7

#### **The Son gives us access to the Father**

- ❖ John 14:6; Eph. 2:18; Eph. 3:12

#### **The Parameters of the Son are set by the Father**

- ❖ Mat. 3:17, John 4:34, John 6:38

#### **Questions for thought**

- ❖ If a son's authority comes from the father, where is yours coming from? Mark 16:16-20
- ❖ Are you speaking for God or another? John 14:8-10
- ❖ Does your obedience authenticate your voice? Read Phil. 2:1-1