

Empire Church of the Brethren  
Sunday Service Sermons

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The Incomparable Christ

Text: "In these last days God has spoken to us by his Son". *Heb. 1:2*

No hero in history can even begin to compare with Jesus Christ.

No one's character can compare to the character of Christ.

No one's ministry can compare to the ministry of Christ.

The author of Hebrews affirmed the incomparable nature of Jesus Christ.

Throughout the Epistle Christ is seen to be above the angels, superior to Moses, better than Old Testament priests, and the ultimate sacrifice for sin.

The author began the epistle to Hebrews by affirming the absolute supremacy of Jesus Christ.

Today's world needs to examine closely the life and ministry of Jesus Christ.

In only two short Bible verses one may see four traits in which he is incomparable.

Jesus is the creator of the world.

Many ideas have been proposed about the creation of the world.

People have always pondered the question, "How did the world begin?"

Various answers have been given.

Some say the world and the human race evolved over billions of years.

Others say that the world and the human race came as a result of a gigantic cosmic explosion.

But no idea has surpassed God's answer: "In the beginning God."

The Bible teaches that Jesus is the creator of the world, through whom he made the universe."  
*Hebrews 1:2.*

The use of universe implies everything in time and space.

Every single part of the created order has been designed by Jesus Christ, whether atoms, rivers, lakes, mountains, sun, moon, stars, or human bodies.

There is nothing created that has not been the handiwork of God.

Human beings have constructed great buildings.

They have designed sculptures and painted pictures.

Human beings have made great works of human ingenuity, but none compare to Christ's creation of the world.

He is the incomparable Creator.

Jesus is the revealer of the Father.

Many false portraits of God have been drawn by people's imagination.

Another query of the human race is: "What is God like?"

Instead of looking at the biblical revelation of God, human beings have used their own speculation to think of God.

Consequently, such erroneous ideas of God as a raging tyrant, a benevolent grandfather, and a capricious deity have emerged.

These human speculations have not given a true picture of what God is like.

The Bible teaches plainly that Jesus is the revealer of the Father's nature.

"The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being." *Heb. 1:3.*

These words tell much about the Christ.

The word "being" expresses essential being.

Jesus Christ is the essential being of the Father.  
And “exact representation” refers to his character.  
The Son’s character is exactly like that of his Father.  
If you wish to know what God is like, look at Jesus.  
He is the reveler of the Father.

Jesus Christ is the sustainer of creation.

Numerous theories exist about how affairs on earth proceed.

Some think there is a predetermination in the ways of the earth; that is, human choice has little to do with the outcomes of life.

Others think there is a fortuitous chance about life, that events and affairs of human being exist and happen without the control of anyone.

The question “Who is in control on this earth?” is a legitimate one.

The Bible says that Jesus Christ is the sustainer of the human existence “sustaining all things by his powerful word”.

The word “sustaining” has a twofold usage.

On the one hand, Jesus upholds the world by his great sovereignty.

If it were not for the sustaining providence of God, everything would collapse into nonexistence.

On the other hand, “sustaining” may be used in the context of movement, he moves the world to its logical conclusion.

The words of an old folk song express the idea of God’s sovereignty: “He’s got the whole wide world in his hands.”

While world affairs might seem at times to be out of control, the Bible teaches that Jesus Christ is the sustainer of creation.

Jesus Christ is the purger of sins.

Many attempts have been made to dispense with the guilt of sins.

The history of the human race is the history of an attempt to eradicate guilt.

Some seek to eliminate guilt by rationalizing.

They explain away the reality of sin by making it a “social disease” or a “psychological maladjustment.”

Others try to cover their sins by performing good deeds.

Even religious people will perform religious acts to purge their sins.

Macbeth in William Shakespeare’s play of the same name saw the effects of guilt in his wife Lady Macbeth.

In tones of despair he spoke to the court physician:

Cure her of that.

Canst thou not minister to a mind distressed.

Pluck from the memory a rooted sorrow.

Raze out the written troubles of the brain

And with some sweet oblivious antidote

Cleanse the stuffed bosom of that perilous stuff

Which weighs upon the heart?

Only Jesus Christ can rid a person of guilt: “After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.” *Heb. 1:3*.

Through his atoning death on the cross, Jesus did what no priest or sacrifice could do.

He made the absolute, unique offering for sin.

He is the incomparable Christ.

People are always comparing one person with another.

They say one quarterback or running back is better than another.

People even compare preachers.

Try to compare Christ with someone: the writer of Hebrews did.

He compared Jesus with Moses, the Old Testament priests, and the angels.

The conclusion was that no one and no thing compares to Jesus Christ.

He is incomparable.

A French philosopher once told Thomas Carlyle of his intention to start a new religion that would supplant the religion of Christ.

It was to have no mysteries, and it was to be as plain as the multiplication table.

Its name would be Positivism.

Carlyle commended him.

Then he told the philosopher that all he needed to do was speak as never a man spoke, live as never a man lived, be crucified and raised again on the third day, and get the world to believe he was still alive.

Then this religion would have a chance to flourish.

Carlyle was right.

Everything rises and falls with the resurrection of Christ.

Without it, we have no faith, no forgiveness, and no future.

We believe in and follow the risen Christ.

The incomparable Son of God.

Who was, is, and forever will be.

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