Hebrews
Youth Bible Study

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Sample Lesson
HEBREWS — WEEK TWO

DISCUSSION — LESSON 1

15 - 20 min. free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 min. snack and group recreation: OBSTACLE RELAY

Place chairs in path from starting line to finish. Form into teams. Each team has a ball. The object is to bounce the ball on the floor from start line to finish around the chairs or obstacles. When the finish line is reached, the player runs back to his team line and bounces the ball to the next player. He goes to the end of the line and sits down. The team with all players seated wins. If two balls are not available, another object can be used, and the bouncing omitted.

15 - 20 min. discuss LESSON 1

to end of class CRAFT: RESIST & PRINT

MATERIALS

2 sheets drawing paper per child
light-colored crayons
thin, dark-color tempera or acrylic paint
wide paint brush
newspaper
pan for cold water

Using a light-color crayon, draw heavily a design or picture on the drawing paper. Crumple this paper: dip it into the pan with cold water, then squeeze the water out of the paper so that it isn’t dripping. Spread the drawing face-up on the newspaper. Give the picture one quick coat of dark color paint. Place the other sheet of drawing paper on top and press evenly with the hand. The second piece of paper will soak up the extra paint and will give you print of the crayoned picture.
HEBREWS — LESSON 1

Before you begin your lesson:

a. Pray for God’s Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
    b. Some questions may be too hard; it’s OK to write “I don’t know.”
    c. Think about what God’s Word is telling you for today.
    d. With some questions, it might be helpful to write the scripture verse on your paper.

Read Hebrews chapter 1, verses 1 - 3.

1. The writer of Hebrews says in verses 1,2 God spoke through prophets for 3600 years. After 400 years of silence He spoke through His Son. According to these verses, how does God speak to people today?

    John 16:13

    2 Timothy 3:16,17

2. What does John 1:1 say about Jesus?

3. What does the first phrase of Genesis 1:1 say that is similar to the first phrase in John 1:1?

4. What do these verses say about Jesus?

    John 1:2

    Colossians 1:15-17
5. Using your dictionary, what is the meaning of these words?

heir

radiance

glory

representation

6. **CHALLENGE:** How do these verses explain the Hebrews’ writer’s knowledge that he knew Jesus Christ, the Son of God, sat at God’s right hand?

Psalm 110:1

Mark 16:19

7. **HARD:** How do Genesis 1:3,6,9,11,14,20,24,26 show us the power of God’s voice?

8. **RISKY:** What is meant when someone represents someone else?

9. The citizens of the United States elect people to represent their wants, needs, and views when making rules and laws to run the government. How does the Bible show in these verses that Jesus represents God? (See next page.)
1. We see angels in pictures, on cards, as figurines, and written about in books. But, who is superior to angels?

2. No one knows for sure who wrote the book of Hebrews. But, we do know Paul wrote the book of Philippians. What does Philippians 2:9,10 say that is like Hebrews 1:4b?

3. God never called an angel “Son.” What did He say about Jesus in Matthew 3:17?

4. **HARD CHALLENGE**: Do you know of a time when the Bible says angels worshipped Jesus? If you have a concordance with your Bible, look up the word angels for help.

5. How did God use angels and fire in Genesis 3:24?

6. **RISKY**: What does Psalm 102:27 say about God’s age?

7. **PERSONAL**: Did you pick a verse to memorize? Why not try Psalm 102:27, or John 1:1, or John 10:30?
HEBREWS — LESSON 1 — ANSWERS

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1. The writer of Hebrews says in verses 1, 2 that God spoke through His prophets. This went on for 3600 years. After 400 years of silence, He spoke through His Son. According to these verses, how does God speak to people today?

   John 16:13 “When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide You into all truth. He will not be giving you his own ideas. He will be passing on to you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future.” [The Holy Spirit]

2. What does John 1:1 say about Jesus? “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.” (NIV)

3. What does the first phrase of Genesis 1:1 say that is similar to the first phrase in John 1:1? “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” (NIV)

4. What do these verses say about Jesus?

   John 1:2 “He was with God in the beginning.” (NIV)

   Colossians 1:15-17 “Christ is the exact copy of the unseen God. He lived before God made anything at all. Christ created everything in Heaven and earth. He created the things we can see and the things we can’t see. All kings and kingdoms, rulers and powers were made by Christ. He made them for his own use and glory. He was before all else began. His power holds everything together.”

5. Using your dictionary, what is the meaning of these words?

   heir “Person who receives or has the right to receive money, property, or title at the death of the owner. [Or] a person or group that inherits qualities from others who have lived before.” (HOLT)

   radiance “Great brightness; sparkling appearance of well-being.” (HOLT)

   glory “Highest state of magnificence or prosperity.” (WEBSTER’S)

   representation “The fact of being represented; means of being heard and taking part. Picture, statue, etc., that represents. Symbol; sign; [or] emblem.” (HOLT)
6. **CHALLENGE**: How do these verses explain the Hebrews’ writer’s knowledge that he knew Jesus Christ, the Son of God, sat at God’s right hand? [These Old Testament verses prophesy about where Jesus will be after His resurrection.]

Psalm 110:1 “The Lord God said to my Lord, ‘sit at my right hand. I will defeat your enemies. I will make them bow low before you.’”

Mark 16:19 “When Jesus had finished talking with them, he was taken up into Heaven. And there he sat down at God’s right hand.”

7. **HARD**: How do Genesis 1:3,6,9,11,14,20,24,26 show us the power of God’s voice? [The phrase “God said” appears in each of these verses and then something happened. Light appeared; the waters were separated and were gathered within their boundaries; dry land appeared; the sky lights appeared. Then the waters held living creatures; the land produced living creatures; God created man.]

8. **RISKY**: What is meant when someone represents someone else? [He stands in their place. He goes to a meeting and gives the other person’s ideas.]

9. The citizens of the United States elect people to represent their wants, needs, and views when making rules and laws to run the government. How does the Bible show in these verses that Jesus represents God?

John 10:30 “‘I and the Father are one.’”

John 12:44,45 “Jesus shouted to the crowds, ‘If you trust me, you are really trusting God. For when you see me, you are seeing the one who sent me.’”

John 14:9 “Jesus replied, ‘Don’t you even yet know who I am, Philip? And I have been with you for all this time! Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father! So why are you asking to see him?’”

**Read Hebrews chapter 1, verses 4 - 9.**

1. We see angels in pictures, on cards, as figurines, and written about in books. But, who is superior to angels? verse 4: “So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.” (NIV)

2. No one knows for sure who wrote the book of Hebrews. But, we do know Paul wrote the book of Philippians. What does Philippians 2:9,10 say that is like Hebrews 1:4b? “Yet it was because of this [Jesus Christ’s death, verse 8] that God raised him up to Heaven. God gave him a name which is above every other name. At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow in Heaven and on earth and under the earth.”
3. God never called an angel “Son.” What did He say about Jesus in Matthew 3:17? “And a voice from Heaven said, ‘This is my Son whom I love. I am very pleased with him.’”

4. **HARD CHALLENGE**: Do you know of a time when the Bible says angels worshipped Jesus? [At the time of Christ’s birth, Luke 2:8-14, they sang “Halleluia.” Verse 14: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.”] Revelation 5:11,12: “The angels encircled the throne, the living creatures, and the elders and sang: ‘Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!’”

5. How did God use angels and fire in Genesis 3:24? “Thus God expelled him. And God placed mighty angels at the east of the Garden of Eden. They stood with a flaming sword to guard the entrance to the Tree of Life.”

6. **RISKY**: What does Psalm 102:27 say about God’s age? “But you never grow old. You are forever, and Your years never end.”

7. **PERSONAL**: Did you pick a verse to memorize? Why not try Psalm 102:27, or John 1:1, or John 10:30?