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# The Divine Son

Because Jesus is better, don't give up.

# Who Wrote It?

Origen, “truly only God knows”

God

**When was it written?**

Late 60s AD

**Who was it written to?**

Hebrew Christians

Predominately Jewish Church in Rome  
or Jerusalem

# Who was it written for?

People who might lack spiritual endurance.

People who might be tempted to drift away from Jesus.

People whose hearts have a tendency to grow hard.

People who are becoming dull of hearing.

# Who was it written for?

People who might shrink back rather than press in.

People who have become negligent in spiritual duties.

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# Warning Passages:

2:1-4

3:7-4:13

5:11-6:12

10:19-39

12:14-29

# Jesus is Superior/Greater/Better

Prophets 1:1-3

Angels 1:4-2:18

Moses 3:1-19

Joshua 4:1-13

Aaron and the High Priests 5:14-7:18

The whole of the Old Covenant 7:19-10:39

Each and every OT Saint 11:1-12:3

# What Jesus Delivers is BETTER

We have a “better hope” 7:19

a “better covenant” 7:22,8:6

Christ has made a “better sacrifice” 9:23

We receive a “better” possession 10:34

A better resurrection 11:35

A better blood than Abel’s that justifies us  
12:24



# Chiasm:

B1

A1

Main Premise

A2

B2

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What Christ has to do with God

What Christ has to do with Creation

What Christ has to do with Us

Comparison: Prophets + Angels

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