**Outline of the Book of Hebrews**

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**Detailed Outline:**

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	1. The Son’s Nature and Reign Show He Is Greater Than the Angels (1:5-14)
	2. ***Warning***: Don’t Drift Away (2:1-4)
	3. Jesus, who is Superior to the Angels, Was, for a Little While, Made Lower Than the Angels in Order to Bring Many Sons to Glory (2:5-18)
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5. Jesus Was Appointed by God to Be Our Compassionate but Sinless High Priest (4:14–5:10)
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