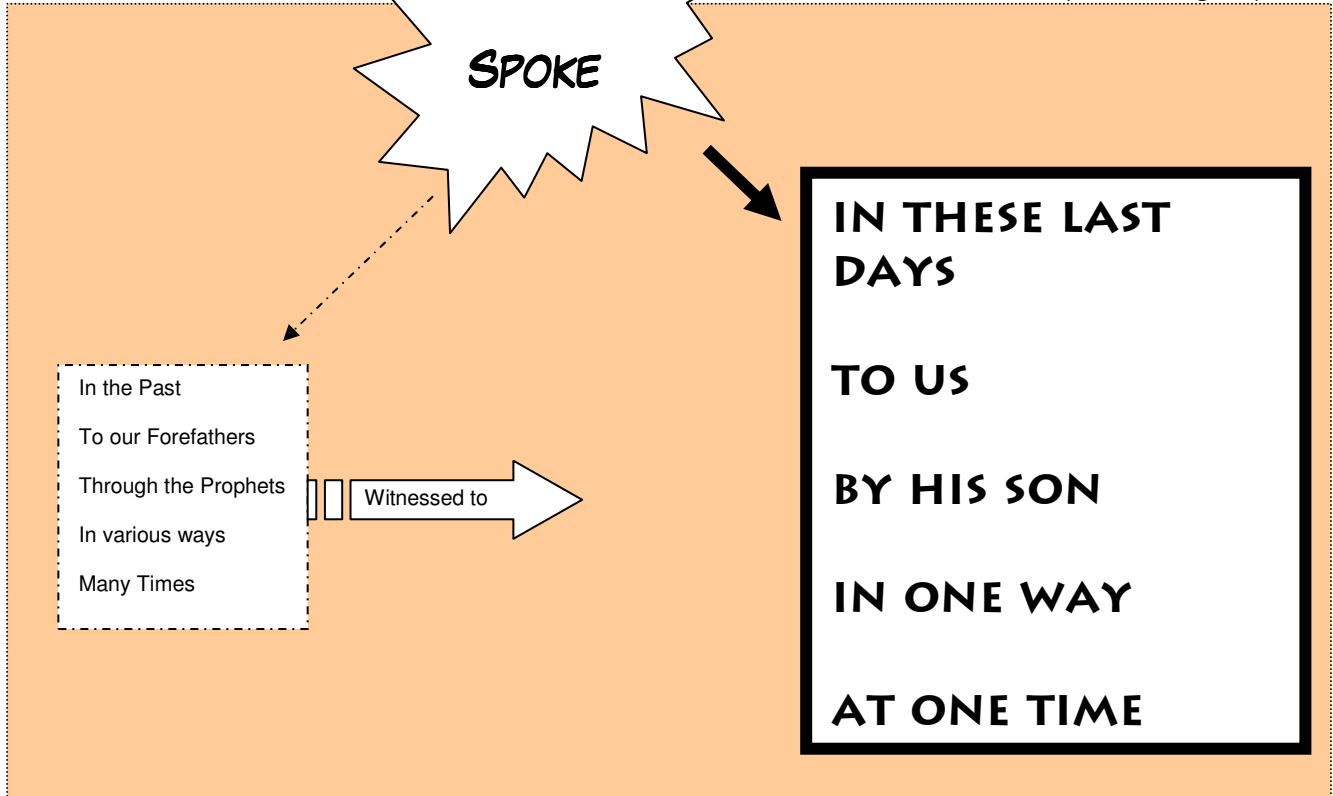


## Hebrews 1

## Progress of Revelation (Not Religion)



- adapted from NIV Application Commentary

**Revelation:** *to unveil, something that is made known to us that we would otherwise never know. It assumes that this is information outside of self-knowledge. It assumes that it is knowledge that cannot be gained through human effort.*

(vs. 1) “**spoke**” – indicates a progressive past, a process that has continued over a period of time

(vs. 2) “**has spoken**” – indicates the process is finished, completed, not to continue

### Notes:

1. **God’s self-disclosure** – personal, interested in His creation, initiating relationship
  - Began in ages past in bits and pieces through prophets
  - In these days, it culminated in Jesus as God’s unique self revelation
2. **Messianic Expectations** – Hebrew people had been living through 7 centuries as exiled or oppressed people longing for a rescuing Messiah. God sends words of hope through prophets to expect *Him*.
  - Hebrew faith is *anticipatory* of someone yet to come.--expecting a human king who worked in concert with Majestic God
  - Made a distinction between God fulfilling their messianic hopes and the Messianic figure Himself.

### Key Thoughts:

1. *OT quotes used to argue that the messianic human and majestic God meet in Jesus.*
2. *Author is saying in effect, “Hebrews you think you will be returning to God—in fact you will be turning from Him.”*