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My Jesus
[Hebrews 1:1-12](#)

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.

Last year's holiday season marked the beginning of a tumultuous time for my family. Shortly before Thanksgiving my father began experiencing severe health complications related to his kidneys and the colorectal cancer he'd been diagnosed with nearly eight years ago. As his physical and mental health eroded, the strain on my siblings, me, and especially our mother grew to a point that was nearly unmanageable.

Throughout all this, we were blessed to have many friends and neighbors offer their prayers and support. Every few days, I received a thoughtful text message, a phone call, a card, or an offer to go out for a nice dinner to help get my mind off things, even if only for a little while. These were the life rafts that kept me afloat when it seemed that the stress and sorrow would surely pull me under.

And yet when I think back on those difficult days, my heart is most tender for the memories of my time with Jesus. Kneeling in prayer at my bedside. Sitting in my car on my lunch break, pouring my soul and my tears into his hands. Knowing exactly who orchestrated the small miracles we received just in the nick of time. The kindness and love he demonstrated in my father's final days.

Those are moments I will never forget ... moments with my Jesus, my sustainer and healer. Who ranks above angels and was given all the power and authority of heaven, who is who he says he is and whose promises are true.

Prayer:

My friend.

My everything.

My Jesus.

Amen.

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