Jesus: "Universe-Upholder" (12/3/23)

Main Verses: Hebrews 1:3 Key Verses: Hebrews 1:3

'Takeaway': If Jesus, the Son of God, can sustain the whole universe by his powerful word, he can also spiritually sustain all who trust him - no matter what the challenge.

Getting Started: TBD

READ Hebrews 1:3 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

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- The verse says Jesus "sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high". What does the phrase "sat down" tell us?

Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses:

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- The phrase "sat down" tells us Jesus' work of salvation has been fully completed. It is finished and he now sits at the right hand of God.

An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

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