



Jesus, The Permanent & Perfect Priest

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Hebrews 7:11-24

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What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book - Jesus is "Better" ...
- The Outline of the Book of Hebrews ...

A Better Person: Jesus (1-6)

A Better Priesthood: Christ and Melchizedek (7-10)

Jesus'/Melchizedek's Priesthood

Aaron's Priesthood

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) It was a ROYAL/KINGLY priesthood. "... <i>king of Salem.</i>" 7:1 2) It was UNIVERSAL. "<i>priest of the Most High God.</i>" 7:1 3) It provided RIGHTEOUSNESS & PEACE. "<i>by the translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then also king of Salem, which is peace.</i>" 7:2 4) It was PERSONAL. "<i>without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life.</i>" 7:3 5) It was ETERNAL.. "... <i>made like the Son of God, he remains a priest perpetually.</i>" 7:3 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) They were never kings, but were always subject to other kings. 2) They only served Jewish people. 3) They pointed to righteousness & peace, but they never could provide it. 4) They had to be born from the tribe of Levi. 5) They would either serve for 50 years, or die. |
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Jesus'/Melchizedek's Priesthood

- 6) Abraham gave the first recorded **TITHE** to God, through Melchizedek, to show his gratitude to God for the victory God gave him. 7:4-5
- 7) Melchizedek **BLESSED** Abraham showing God's intention to bestow good things on another. 7:6-7
- 8) Melchizedek's priesthood is **ETERNAL**. 7:8-10

Aaron's Priesthood

- 6) They collected, according to the "law", a tithe from the people.
- 7) They received blessings, but were never the source of blessings.
- 8) They would either serve for 50 years, or die.

What we are going to learn today in our study ...

LESSON - Jesus, The Permanent & Perfect Priest 7:11-24

I. THE TEMPORARY & IMPERFECT LEVITICAL PRIESTHOOD vs.11-14

God never intended for the priesthood of Israel to make anyone **PERFECT**. v. 11

When God changed the priesthood, he also changed the place of the Mosaic **LAW**. v. 12

Therefore, Jesus could **NEVER** be a priest based on the Mosaic law or Aaron's tribe. vs. 13-14

*"For the one concerning whom these things are spoken belongs to **another tribe**, ..."
(Cf. Genesis 49:10; Micah 5:2; Matthew 2:6)*

II. THE PERMANENT & PERFECT PRIESTHOOD OF JESUS vs. 15-24

Jesus is a superior priest because of the **POWER** of an indestructible life. vs. 15-17

*"... if **another priest arises**, after the order of Melchizedek, ... according to the power of an **indestructible life**."*

Another (Gk. *heteras*) of a **DIFFERENT** kind.

Arisers (Gk. *anistatit*) by ones on **SELF**.

Jesus is a superior priest because he makes us **PERFECT**. vs. 18-19

Jesus is a superior priest because of God's **PROMISE**. vs.20-22

Jesus is a superior priest because of His **PERMANENCE**. vs.23-24

Today's Growth Point — How does this passage apply to you today?