



Jesus and the Better Covenant

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Hebrews 7:25-28

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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)

I. MELCHIZEDEK & JESUS — The Typology 7:1-10

II. THE LEVITICAL PRIESTHOOD & JESUS — The Superiority 7:11-24

The Temporary & Imperfect Levitical Priesthood vs. 11-14

The Permanent & Perfect Priesthood of Jesus vs. 15-24

What we are going to learn today in our study ... vs. 25-28

But first, a word about covenants!

See 7:22 — This is the **FIRST** mention of the word "covenant" in the book of Hebrews. (Note ... In chapters 7-10 the writer will use the term "covenant" no less than **19** times).

What is a covenant?

There are 2 ways to summarize all the covenants in the Bible:

1) A covenant of **WORKS**.

2) A covenant of **GRACE**.

LESSON - Jesus and the Better Covenant 7:25-28

I. THE PRESENTATION OF SALVATION v. 25

The John 3:16 of Hebrews

The **POWER** of salvation. *"Therefore He is **able** also to save forever .."*

The **PEOPLE** of salvation. *"... **those** who draw near to God through Him,"*

The **PROMISE** of salvation. *"... since He always lives to **make intercession** for them."*

II. THE PERSON OF SALVATION vs. 26-28

Jesus Contrasted with The Other High Priest

His Attributes v. 26

He is "holy" — This relates to his relationship before **GOD**. Jesus was not **CORRUPTED** with sin.

He is "innocent" — This relates to relationship before **MAN**. Jesus never **HARMED** anyone, and always **LIVED** for others.

He is "undefiled" — This relates to his daily **LIFE** in this world. Jesus was never **INFECTED** by sin or Satan.

He is "separate from sinners" — The relates to his **NATURE**. Jesus was **DIFFERENT** than anyone else in his nature.

He is "exalted above the heavens." — This relates to his **RANK**. Jesus holds the **ULTIMATE** place in the universe.

His Atonement v. 27

"Who does not need daily, like those high priests ... He did once for all when He offered up Himself."

His Appointment v. 28

"For the Law appoints men as high priests who are weak, but the word of the oath, ... appoints a Son, made perfect forever."

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