

Our Great High Priest

Hebrews 5:1-10

Theme: Jesus is Better

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[1] For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. [2] He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. [3] Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people. [4] And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. [5] So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten you”;

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[6] as he says also in another place,
“You are a priest forever, after the order of
Melchizedek.”

[7] In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up
prayers and supplications, with loud cries and
tears, to him who was able to save him from
death, and he was heard because of his reverence.

[8] Although he was a son, he learned obedience
through what he suffered. [9] And being made
perfect, he became the source of eternal
salvation to all who obey him, [10] being
designated by God a high priest after the order
of Melchizedek.

Road Map

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Called by God

- Numbers 16–18
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- Hebrews 5:5 So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him
- Hebrews 5:4 And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

The Melchizedek connection

Numbers 14:18-20

And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.) And he blessed him and said,

“Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
Possessor of heaven and earth; and blessed be
God Most High, who has delivered your enemies
into your hand!”

And Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

The Melchizedek connection

King and Priest

Matt 2:2 "...where is He that is born King of the Jews?"

"King of Kings"

➤ 1 Tim 6:15, Rev 19:16

Humanity and the High Priest

Heb 5:2 He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness.

Heb 5:3 Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people.

John 1:29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

Isa 53:7 ... like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,

Why It Matters

Heb 9:24 For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

1 John 2:1 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

Why It Matters

Mark 15:38 And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

Eph 2:13 and 18 ⁽¹³⁾But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.... ⁽¹⁸⁾For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

Why It Matters

Romans 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Heb 10:19–22 Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Jesus is Better

Hebrews 4:15-16 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

