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A STUDY IN HEBREWS



Anchored in a new Priesthood

Hebrews 7:11-28

I MELCHIZEDEK – MORE THAN AARON AND THE LAW – vs. 11-14

A. Why was the order of Aaron replaced?

1. It represented hundreds of years of priesthood
2. The order of _____ was just a shadow of the priesthood in heaven

B. Once a year atonement

1. Priest was in the Presence but for a moment
2. He was forbidden any light
3. The sprinkling of blood and then exit

C. Mystery of Melchizedek's priesthood – our spiritual life seen

1. Too many _____ see Christ as their Aaron
 - Christ forgave them
 - His blood was shed for them
 - He ascended to heaven and sits on the Throne
2. Jesus wants to _____ the power of heavenly life
 - All provision is given us to live free
3. The work of redemption was accomplished at the cross
 - The price paid for sin
4. The Throne gives us _____
 - This gives us the rest of God
 - This gives us the fullness of power
5. We no longer need to build the foundation
 - We are to rest and build upon it

II A PRIEST FOREVER – vs. 15-17

A. God declared Jesus as High Priest

B. The word “eternal” or “ever”

- Found ___ times in this epistle
- This eternity is our reality
- To live apart from this truth is to come _____

C. The priesthood of Christ does not change

- As He is eternal so is the priesthood
- His reign is within His life – eternal
- A great comfort

D. Law and Life

1. His creation – the bird and fish – need no law
2. The law is proof that the right way is lacking – sin prevails
 - It can check and restrain but not _____
 - It can command but cannot give

- It has power but cannot create
- 3. The Christian and the law
 - He trusts in _____
 - He seeks to prove that trust by works
 - Life becomes filled with effort
 - Failure happens and the cycle begins – sin and forgiveness
- 4. The Christian and the Life
 - Jesus is our High Priest
 - He lives the power of an endless life
 - It is He who has met every requirement
 - His work is _____ – no renewals
- 5. Jesus works His life through us
 - Some do not allow that life to flow through them
 - If all is _____
- 6. The Life in us has no interruptions
 - Life of Christ is maintained through us
 - That life is sustained for our benefit

III DRAWING NEAR TO GOD – vs.18,19

- A. The former Commandment was annulled
 - The _____ could never succeed
 - It could make none perfect
- B. Man was brought near to God by the perfect Man
 - He accomplished it – once forever
 - Nothing is between you and Christ – the veil is torn

IV JESUS – A SURETY OF A BETTER COVENANT – vs. 20-22

- A. He was made Priest by an oath
 - 1. The Lord has sworn and will not relent
 - This oath is _____ and unchangeable
 - 2. Aaron was made a priest without an oath
 - His priesthood was temporary
- B. His was a better covenant
 - 1. The old proved a failure
 - They pledged their obedience but failed
 - The law uncovers sin but cannot get rid of it – only cover
- C. The surety
 - 1. Surety to us that God will _____ His promises
 - He gave us life
 - He put the law of the Spirit in our hearts
 - 2. Surety to God for us
 - He ensures our obedience and our victory
 - 3. The priesthood of Jesus
 - He deals with _____ and takes it away
- D. He swears by Himself
 - 1. It has no equal
 - 2. It has no sequel

3. It has no _____

- For the saint it is rest
- For the sinner it is condemnation
- For the enemy it is an impenetrable fortress

V ABLE TO SAVE COMPLETELY – vs. 23-25

A. Aaron died

- The whole system was marked by death and succession

B. Jesus is alive

- His throne is _____
- His priesthood unchangeable
- He is ever active and represents us continually

C. He saves to the uttermost

1. There is no _____ in His leadership

- No doubt in His abilities

2. Some complain their experience changes

- Circumstances and life changes – He does not
- His activity before the Throne is consistent

VI THE SON PERFECTED – vs. 26-28

A. He is Holy

- Perfect fellowship with the Father

B. Harmless – _____

C. undefiled – Conquered all sin

D. Separate from sinners – He kept himself free

E. He gave Himself ONCE for all

- Not daily sacrifices
- He presents us faultless – Jude 24

F. You can be _____ from sin

- Complete salvation – no cycle of sin and forgiveness

1. Know Jesus as your High Priest

2. Pray for the spirit of revelation

3. Believe that His power works in you

4. Yield yourself to His mighty provision