

What Did Christ Do? Lesson 8 – Christ as Priest

Introduction:

- As our Prophet, Jesus reveals God and His will to us.
- As our King, Jesus has conquered our sins and our enemies.
- Jesus is our Great High Priest.
- In The Old Testament, God appointed priests to serve on behalf of the people.
 - Priests offered _____ to God.
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1. As our priest, Jesus was _____ to make an offering to God for us.

A. The work of the Old Testament priests was never ending, which revealed the need for a final, perfect priest whose work would never be _____.

Heb 10:11–12 And every priest **stands daily** at his service, offering **repeatedly** the same sacrifices, which can **never take away sins**. **12** But when Christ had **offered for all time a single sacrifice** for sins, he **sat down** at the right hand of God,

Heb 7:11 Now if **perfection** had been attainable through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need would there have been for **another priest to arise** after the order of Melchizedek, rather than one named after the order of Aaron?

B. As a priest, Christ was ordained to _____ gifts and sacrifices.

Heb 8:1–3 Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, **2** a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man. **3** **For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices;** thus it is necessary for **this priest** also to have **something to offer**.

2. As our priest, Christ offered _____ as a perfect sacrifice.

A. The work of the Old Testament sacrifices was never ending, which revealed the need for a final, perfect sacrifice that would make those who come to God

_____.

Heb 10:11–12 And every priest stands daily at his service, offering **repeatedly** the same sacrifices, which can **never take away sins**. ***12*** But when Christ had **offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins**, he **sat down** at the right hand of God,

Heb 10.4 For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

- **As our High Priest, Christ would take away all our sins – past, present, and future.**

B. Unlike the Old Testament priests, Jesus _____ to be the sacrifice Himself!

Heb 7:27 He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when **he offered up himself**.

Heb 7:26 For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, **holy, innocent, unstained, separated** from sinners, and **exalted** above the heavens.

3. As our priest, Christ _____ for our sins before God.

A. Christ's sacrifice _____ God's holy justice.

1 John 4:10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

- **Christ satisfied God's justice, so there is no _____ or wrath remaining for you and me.**

B. Christ's sacrifice _____ us to God.

2 Cor 5:18 All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;

- **To be reconciled means to be restored to someone's _____.**
- **To be reconciled is to have _____ with God.**

Rom 5:1 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

C. Christ's sacrifice made us _____ by God.

- Through Jesus, God invites us into His presence because we are _____ there!

Heb 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.
16 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.

- We have _____ to enter God's presence by the blood of Jesus Christ, our Great High Priest.

4. As our priest, Christ _____ for us.

Heb 7.25 Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since **He always lives to make intercession for them.**

- Christ's brings our imperfect prayers to the Father, and He makes them _____ to God.

1 Tim 2.5 For there is one God, and there is one **mediator** between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.

- Christ _____ prays for us.

- Christ's prayers are _____ heard.

John 11:41b–42a "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ***42*** I knew that you always hear me,

- Christ's blood always _____ over our sins.

1 John 2:1 But if anyone does sin, we have an **advocate** with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

- Christ sustains us so that our _____ will never fail.

Heb 12.2a looking to Jesus, the founder and **perfecter of our faith**

Luke 22:32 but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."

5. Christ is an _____ High Priest.

Heb 7:17b “You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.”

Gen 14:18–19 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.) 19 And he blessed him and said, “Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth.”

Heb 7:2 He is first, by translation of his name, **king of righteousness**, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, **king of peace**.

Heb 7:3 He is without father or mother or genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but **resembling the Son of God he continues a priest forever**.

Heb. 7:4 See how great this man was to whom Abraham the patriarch gave a tenth of the spoils!

- **Christ, as the Eternal Son of God, does the work of a High Priest that will _____ forever.**
 - **Christ’s blood will never lose its _____.**
 - **Christ’s prayers for us will always be _____.**
 - **Christ’s sacrifice will always _____ the work He’s begun in us.**
 - **We will always be _____ in the presence of God.**
 - **We can never _____ our salvation.**

6. Christ is a _____ High Priest.

1 John 4:10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Isa 49:15–16 “Can a woman forget her nursing child,
that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb?
Even these may forget,
yet I will not forget you.

16 Behold, **I have engraved you on the palms of my hands;**
your walls are continually before me.

- **It is absolutely impossible for Christ to _____ us.**

Heb 13:5b “I will never leave you nor forsake you.”