



TITLE:
Christ Has a Better Priesthood (Part 3)

TEXT:
Hebrews 7:25 - 8:6

Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. [26] For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens; [27] Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself. [28] For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, maketh the Son, who is consecrated for evermore. [1] Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; [2] A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man. [3] For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer. [4] For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law: [5] Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount. [6] But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

REVIEW:

- Christ has a better priesthood because He was made a priest after the order of Melchisedec.
- Christ has a better priesthood because He is not made after the law of a carnal commandment (v.16).
- Christ has a better priesthood because He is made after the power of an endless life (v.16).
- Christ has a better priesthood because He is made with an oath (v.20-21).
- Christ is able to save anyone that come unto God by Him (v.25).

CHRIST HAS A BETTER PRIESTHOOD

- Christ, our High Priest, was suited or fitting for us (v.26).
 - Christ is holy.
 - Christ is harmless (or innocent).
 - Christ is undefiled.
 - Christ is separate from sinners.
 - Christ is made higher than the heavens (exalted above heavens).
- Because Christ is holy, harmless, undefiled and separate from sinners, He doesn't need to offer up sacrifice daily (v.27).
 - Unlike the Levitical priests, they need to offer up sacrifices for their own sins and for the people daily.
 - Christ offered Himself once.
- Levitical priests, who have infirmity (or weak, frail, sinful, dying), are made high priest by the law (v.28).
- Christ the Son, who is consecrated (perfected) for evermore, is made High Priest by the word of the oath (v.21) before the law (v.28).

PRINCIPAL THING / MAIN POINT

- We have such an High Priest,
 - Who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens (v.1).
 - Who is a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man (v.2).
 - Who offered Himself once (v.3).
 - Levitical priests are ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices. They serve unto the example and shadow of the ministry of Christ (v.3-5).
 - Who obtained a more excellent ministry (than the Levitical priests' ministry) (v.6):
 - He is the mediator of a better covenant which was established upon better promises.