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November 5 – Hebrews 7:1-17

For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, ²to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all, first being translated “king of righteousness,” and then also king of Salem, meaning “king of peace,” ³without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest continually.

⁴Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils. ⁵And indeed those who are of the sons of Levi, who receive the priesthood, have a commandment to receive tithes from the people according to the law, that is, from their brethren, though they have come from the loins of Abraham; ⁶but he whose genealogy is not derived from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises. ⁷Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better. ⁸Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives. ⁹Even Levi, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, so to speak, ¹⁰for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him. ¹¹Therefore, if perfection were through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need was there that another priest should rise according to the order of Melchizedek, and not be called according to the order of Aaron? ¹²For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law. ¹³For He of whom these things are spoken belongs to another tribe, from which no man has officiated at the altar.

¹⁴For it is evident that our Lord arose from Judah, of which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood. ¹⁵And it is yet far more evident if, in the likeness of Melchizedek, there arises another priest ¹⁶who has come, not according to the law of a fleshly commandment, but according to the power of an endless life. ¹⁷For He testifies: “You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.”

OKAY, HERE’S MY TEACHING COMMENTARY

In this portion of Paul’s letter to the Hebrews he explains how Christ is a superior High Priest to the Old Covenant Priesthood. Let’s compare the differences in this chapter as we go through the chart below.

Old Covenant	New Covenant
Priesthood – Tribe of Levi	New Priesthood – Tribe of Judah
High Priest Aaron and sons	High Priest Jesus Christ the Son of God
Temporal Priesthood	Eternal Priesthood
Order of Aaron – Human	Order of Melchizedek – Divine
Receives tithes on Earth	Receives tithes in Heaven
Imperfect sacrifices	A perfect sacrifice that redeems eternally

WHAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE?

- 1) Christ is a superior High Priest that lives eternally to save and cleanse the sins of his people.
- 2) We don't need to go to a human priest to confess our sins but now we go directly through prayer to our High Priest the Lord Jesus Christ and his holy eternal blood offered up for us will cleanse us from all sin.
- 3) 1 John 1:9 promises "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
- 4) Old Covenant priests that were of the order of Aaron (a human temporary priesthood) actually cried out to Pontius Pilate to have Jesus, the Son of God our High Priest crucified and in so doing offered up on the cross the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.
- 5) Jesus proved he was the Son of God by the power of his endless life when he arose from the dead the third day in the order of Melchizedek and triumphed over Satan, sin, sickness and death!
- 6) This eternal truth should forever set you and I free to enter the presence of God boldly!

Hebrews 10:19-22 says; "Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and *having* a High Priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water."

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