

HEBREWS 7

- **Melchizedek—"King of Righteousness" (1-10; Ge 14:18-20)**

1. King of Salem—"peace" (1-2)
2. Priest of God (1)
3. Superior to Abraham—blessed him; given tithe (1-2)
4. Unknown genealogy (3-10)

- *Priests came from Levi's tribe (Dt 18:1)*

- **Jesus, like Melchizedek, superior to priests (11-28; Ps 110:4)**

1. Needed since Law couldn't save us—can't be perfect (11-12, 18-19)
 - *Law as "pedagogue"—babysitter for us, leading us to Christ (Ga 3:23-25)*
2. Based on His unstoppable life, not his ancestry from Levi; from Judah (13-17)
 - *Joseph's genealogy in Matthew 1; Mary's in Luke 3*
3. Established by God in oath (20-22)
4. Lives forever, interceding for us (23-25)
5. Perfect (26-28)

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- **Jesus superior to priests (8:1-5)**

1. As ruler of all with God (1; Ep 1:19b-21)
2. In heaven itself (2; Ac 1:11-12)
3. With better offering--Himself (3-5; 1 Jn 2:1-2)
 - *Priests offered animals (3-4; Le)*

- **Jesus' new covenant superior to old covenant (8:6-13; Je 31:31-34)**

1. Better promise—unconditional grace (6, 10-12)
2. Replaces old—conditional obedience (7-9; Ex 19:5-6)
3. Includes (10-13)
 - *Internal obedience of heart vs. external obedience on tablets (10; Ez 36:26-27; Ex 31:18)*
 - *Faithful relationship (10; Ez 36:28)*
 - *Experiential intimacy (11; Ez 36:22-24)*
 - *Total forgiveness (12; Ez 36:25, 29a)*

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• Tabernacle articles (1-5)

1. Tabernacle—"dwelling place" of God (2; Ex 26)
2. Holy Place (2)
 - *Lampstand—God's Presence or eternal light of God & His Word (Ex 25:31-40)*
 - *Table of Showbread—God's provisions for 12 tribes (Ex 25:23-30)*
 - *Altar of Incense—People's prayers; incense brought into Most Holy Place on Day of Atonement (Ex 30:1-10; Le 16:12-13)*
3. Most Holy Place (3-5)
 - *Ark of Covenant—God's throne (Ex 25:10-24)*
 - Inside—Tablets of Commandments, jar of manna, Aaron's staff (Ex 16:33-34; 25:16; Nu 17:10)
 - Outside—Cherubim on Mercy Seat or lid where blood is sprinkled

• Tabernacle activities (6-10)

1. In Holy Place daily—oil for lamp, bread for table, incense for altar (6; Ex 25:30; 27:21; 30:7-8)
2. In Most Holy Place once a year—blood for sins on Ark on Day of Atonement (7-10; Le 16)
 - *High priest bathes & puts on priestly garments*
 - *Brings bull, ram, & 2 goats to tabernacle; no one else in tabernacle*
 - *Selects by lot between goats—1 for sacrifice, 1 for scapegoat*
 - *Slaughters bull at altar for his sin & puts blood in bowl*
 - *Enters Holy Place & takes censer of coals from altar of incense & incense*
 - *Enters Most Holy Place with incense before Ark*
 - *Sprinkles bull's blood 7 times before Ark*
 - *Slaughters goat at altar for people's sin & puts blood in bowl*
 - *Sprinkles goat's blood 7 times before Ark in Most Holy Place*
 - *Sprinkles goat's blood 7 times in Holy Place*
 - *Sprinkles goat's & bull's blood 7 times on altar & puts blood on "horns"*
 - *Confesses sins of Israel over scapegoat & has another release it in wild*
 - *Removes priestly garments & bathes*
 - *Sacrifices ram as burnt offering for him & people*
 - *Another burns bull & goat outside camp*

• Jesus' sacrifice superior to Day of Atonement (11-18)

1. Entered greater "dwelling place" of God—heaven (11)
2. Entered by His own blood, once for all, so we all can serve God (12-14)
3. Established new covenant—His death for our sins releases us so we can claim eternal life as inheritance (15-18; Mk 10:45)

• Animals' blood shed for forgiveness (19-22)

1. People sprinkled with blood for obedience as well (19-20; Ex 24:4-8)
2. Tabernacle & articles sprinkled with blood for cleansing (21-22)

• Jesus' blood superior to animals' for forgiveness (23-28)

1. Perfect--for us to enter heaven (24)
2. Sufficient--once for us (25-28)
 - *He'll "emerge" from the "Tabernacle" again--Second Coming from Heaven on Judgment Day*

