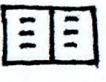


Maturing in . In past saw Melchizedek as strange and rather irrelevant, now immensely important, ♥ of Hebrews + Christian faith


➔➔ The stakes are high for you TODAY!

① THE STAKES

Put the high stakes in **3** ways

1 Revolution = drawing near to Θ inner place for all believers through Jesus the forerunner 6:19-20... Renae

2 Replacement = of ancient temple, priests, sacrifices, "culture" Erik

 Θ 's Holy Presence among sinful people
Exodus 29:43-45



3 Rejection = of all other sacred and secular ways of atonement

See the stakes are high, right? What case could be made to cling to JESUS?

② THE CASE

1. JESUS' ORDER OF PRIESTHOOD IS MORE ANCIENT THAN LEVITICAL ORDER

☞☞ Melchizedek's name *King of righteousness/king of peace*, office *priest of the Most High G*, blessing of Abraham + mysterious origins + end *Point?* "*resembling the Son of God he continues a priest forever*"

ANCIENT ORDER = To cling to Jesus as your priest is to be more Jewish, not less!

Christ's priesthood heals + completes every culture!

2. JESUS' PRIESTHOOD IS SUPERIOR TO LEVITICAL ORDER

☞☞ Abraham's tithe to Melchizedek

ROOTS, ANCESTRY.COM tapping into this deep knowledge that we are shaped + stamped by our parents, past, lineage vs. modernist we are our resume! Felt this?

3. STRIKES! JESUS ATTAINS WHAT THE LEVITICAL ORDER COULDN'T

- ☑ **Perfection** couldn't be attained by the Levitical priesthood. So a priest in order of Melchizedek was needed 7:11
- ☑ Change of priesthood means change of law 7:12 ▶ "better covenant" vs. 22
- ☑ The old law was **weak + useless**, "for the law made nothing perfect" 7:18-19

➔ Biblical case for the JESUS REVOLUTION!

③ THE PRIEST

Commend Jesus... Don't you want him? Need him?

Priest forever (7:3,17), power of an indestructible life (7:16), Guarantor of a better covenant (7:22)

Holds his priesthood permanently (7:24), Able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them (7:25); holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners + exalted above the heavens (7:26), NO need to offer sacrifices for sins daily since he offered himself once for all (7:27) **CLING**