

Use this guide to help your community group engage further with this week's sermon.

Melchizedek (Hebrews 7:1-10)

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1. Read Genesis 14 and Hebrews 7:1-10 and observe some of the main points:

- a. Who was Melchizedek, and what did he do in Genesis 14?
- b. What does Hebrews 7 say about Melchizedek's name and role?
- c. How did Abraham respond to Melchizedek after the battle?
- d. What does it mean that Jesus is a priest "in the order of Melchizedek?"
- e. How does the location of Salem (Jerusalem) add significance to this discussion?

2. Reflect on this passage and sermon:

- a. How does Melchizedek's shadow expand your view of Jesus?
- b. What does it mean to say Jesus is our righteousness and peace?
- c. In what ways do we sometimes settle for shadows instead of the substance of Christ?
- d. How does Jesus being both King and Priest challenge or comfort you?
- e. What does it mean to live under the priesthood of Jesus rather than the old covenant?

3. Apply this passage and sermon to your life:

- a. How can you determine if you're trying to earn righteousness by your own means or by trusting Jesus?
- b. What inferior "shadows" are you tempted to return to?
- c. Where do you currently need peace in your life? How does Jesus fulfill that need?
- d. What is one way you can help someone in your life see Jesus as their righteousness and peace?
- e. How does the sovereignty of God in these passages give you hope in your current circumstances or in life's current events?

4. Pray for one another: How would you like us to pray for you in light of this discussion?