



HEBREWS

THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST

Hebrews: The Incomparable Christ



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Levitical Priesthood

- Access: 1 man, 1x/yr
- Sinful themselves
- Appointed by ancestry

Jesus as High Priest

- Full access for all believers
- Sinless, sacrificed for others
- Appointed by God's oath



Levitical Priesthood

- Ineffectual, unable to perfect
- Based on the law
- Required many priests

Jesus as High Priest

- Saves completely
- Based on grace
- One great high priest



Levitical Priesthood

- Required many sacrifices
- Temporary service
- Offered animal sacrifices

Jesus as High Priest

- Once for all
- Serves **FOREVER**
- Offered Himself



Levitical Priesthood

- External
and ceremonial
- Prototype
& foreshadowing

Jesus as High Priest

- Internal and personal
- Fulfillment and reality



In the Bible, priests had at least two primary roles:

1. Mediator, Intercessor, Advocate
2. Offer sacrifices in atonement for sin



When Jesus is our great high priest,
we receive a...

1. New identity
2. New status before God
3. New confidence in Christ
4. New freedom
5. New joy [Amazing! Huh?]



Christ's indestructible life is the basis for the unquenchable hope we have in His uninterrupted high priestly intercession on our behalf.



“Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.”

-Hebrews 7:25



“It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.”

- *Galatians 5:1*



“Before the throne of God above.
I have a strong, a perfect plea;
A great High Priest, whose Name is Love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.



“My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while with God He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.”

- Charitie Lees Bancroft
[1841-1892]



“So often our deepest discouragements and disappointments are due to the fact that we are trying to become or make something else what only Jesus Christ can be for us.”

- Tim Keller

