

Applying God's Word

This Week's Passage: Hebrews 7:1-10

Corresponding Sermon from King's Church: "A Better High Priest"

Opening Discussion

1. Read this week's passage together.
2. Share *your* immediate observations from this text. Was there anything shared in Sunday's sermon that stuck out to *you*?
3. In what ways were you able to see *yourself* in the sermon and in the text?

Going Deeper

1. Hebrews teaches that Melchizedek is a type of Christ. Meaning he is an Old Testament figure who foreshadows and points forward to something better, namely Jesus. With that in mind, look at all the ways Melchizedek is described in our passage. Discuss how those descriptions are fulfilled in greater ways in Jesus.

2. The author of Hebrews wants us to see that Abraham recognized the superiority of Melchizedek and responded appropriately. What does Abraham's response teach us about how we should respond to Jesus?

3. The point of our passage is that Abraham and all his descendants, the national of Israel and the Levitical priesthood, were inferior to the priesthood of Melchizedek. Therefore, as the one to whom Melchizedek points, Jesus is the true and greatest high priest. As priest *he makes a sacrifice for the sins of his people, prays for them always, and brings them with him into the presence of God.*

Thinking about these three aspects of Jesus' priesthood, discuss what it means for you personally. How does it change the way you view your relationship with the Lord?

A. He is your sacrifice for your sins:

B. He prays for you continually:

C. He brings you into the presence of God:

Prayer Points

1. Ask God to help you see Jesus for who he truly is.
2. Ask him to produce in you a boldness to come before him in light of Jesus' continued intercession for you.