

The Priest who ended the priesthood

Hebrews 7:20-28 p. 971

- I. JESUS IS THE PRIEST WHO REPLACES ALL OTHERS (Hebrews 7:20-24).
 - A. The oath and the covenant – Jesus replaced priests by an unchangeable oath to give us a better covenant (7:20-22).
 - Jesus was priest chosen by oath, unlike priests by birth.
 - B. The eternal priesthood – Because He lives Jesus' priesthood is forever uninterrupted, unlike priests who die (7:23-24).

- II. JESUS IS THE PRIEST WHO SAVES US COMPLETELY (Hebrews 7:25).
 - A. Our salvation is complete because we came to God through faith in Christ alone (25a; John 14:6).
 - B. Our salvation is complete because Christ intercedes for us (25b).
 - Saved from the penalty and guilt of past sin (Romans 8:1, 33-35; 1 John 2:1; Luke 7:36-50).
 - Saved from the power of sin to have victory now (Romans 6).
 - Saved from the presence of sin in future (Revelation 21:27).

- III. JESUS IS THE ONLY PRIEST WE EVER NEED (Hebrews 7:26-28).
 - A. Jesus is the only one who can truly meet our spiritual needs because He is sinless and exalted (7:26).
 - B. Unlike priests who sacrificed for their own sin first, Jesus was sinless and sacrificed Himself once for all (7:27; Leviticus 16).
 - C. Jesus is the perfect priest in the perfect plan God promised by oath which the law could never accomplish (7:28).