

JESUS: OUR ETERNAL SAVIOR

HEBREWS 7:1-28

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A quick overview of the OT Sacrificial / Priestly System:

Our sin separated us from God.

Because of our sin we earned and deserved God's judgment.

God had a plan from the beginning for offering forgiveness for our sin.

That plan was a sacrifice for sin mediated by a priest.

So the priest was God's plan to mediate God's forgiveness to us by a sacrifice for us.

- **The main problem in our life is our _____ and the _____ of God that we deserve because of it.**
- **Old Testament answer to this problem: Priests offering _____ on behalf of the people.**
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Jesus, the greater Melchizedek (v.1-10):

- **Melchizedek translates "King of _____."**
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So the King of Righteousness, the King of Peace... Anyone else you know that goes by those names? Maybe in the New Testament?

- **Melchizedek gave Abraham bread and wine. Bread was a symbol of _____ & sustenance and wine a symbol of _____ and _____.**

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The Law was given, not to make us _____, but to show us our need for a Savior! (v.11 & 19)

GALATIANS 2:20-21; GALATIANS 3:23-27

- **Jesus is our _____ of salvation! (v.22 & 25)**

Jesus is always able to save forever!

Jesus always lives to make intercession for us!

This salvation and intercession is for everyone who draws near to God by faith in Jesus Christ!

As the adopted sons of God, we are now God's priests, mediating the good news of Jesus to _____!

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