

## God's Provision of Jesus, Our Better High Priest & Hope

1. Jesus belongs to a better order of priests:  
the order of \_\_\_\_\_ (7:11)
2. Jesus descends from a better tribe:  
the tribe of \_\_\_\_\_ (7:13-14)
3. Jesus possesses a better qualification:  
an \_\_\_\_\_ life (7:15-16)
4. Jesus is provided with a better guarantee:  
God's own \_\_\_\_\_ (7:20-21)

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### NEXT STEPS

**You NEED a king-priest, and you have one in Jesus.** Mediate on that truth and why it's true. Preach it to your own heart, since we are so prone to deny truth about God and truth about ourselves.

**You ARE a king-priest, if you have trusted Jesus.** Read 1 Peter 2:9-12 and meditate on the purpose of priests and what those verses teach us about our royal priesthood in the world around us.

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**NEXT WEEK:** *The Priesthood of Jesus Today* | Hebrews 7:22-28



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Hebrews 7:11-22

Sunday, January 9, 2022

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*Let's be honest: It's challenging to relate to all this high priest talk in the book of Hebrews. But the reality is you and I desperately need a high priest, too. Today we talk about what it means that Jesus is a priest "in the order of Melchizedek," and why that matters for us.*

### Our Need for a High Priest

### God's Establishment of a Priesthood from the Tribe of Levi

1. The Priesthood was given to teach the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
2. The Priesthood was given to teach the \_\_\_\_\_ of sin.
3. The Priesthood was given to provide \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
4. The Priesthood was given to \_\_\_\_\_ us for Jesus.



HEBREWS

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*Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the perfect time to jump in at [gracecentralcoast.org/growthgroups](http://gracecentralcoast.org/growthgroups)*

**CONNECT** *(ask these questions to check-in with your group)*

*Take time this week to share your mood and outlook as we enter a new year where Covid infections and uncertainty continue. Are you hopeful, discouraged, exhausted or ??*

**DISCUSS** *(use some of these questions to process God's Word together)*

1. Read Hebrews 7:1-22 as a group. How did you "come under" God's Word and the message this week?
2. Since most of us aren't likely to turn away from Jesus to Old Testament Judaism, how is all this stuff about high priests and the better high priesthood of Jesus in Hebrews relevant for us?

3. How in touch are you with YOUR need for a High Priest? Do you think about the holiness of God and the separation caused by sin or do you tend to think that you and God "are good?"
4. How exactly did God's establishment of priests from the tribe of Levi prepare humankind for the coming of Jesus?
5. Read 1 Peter 2:9-12. How does this text connect to Hebrews 7 and what does it say about us and our role in the world?

**PRAY** *(use these prompts to pray in response to God's Word)*

- Pray for those struggling through Covid. Pray for the elimination of Covid. Pray for God's mercy to be poured out in the midst of Covid.
- Take some time in prayer together to sit in your need for our king-priest Jesus. Acknowledge that truth and give thanks!
- Pray for our ongoing role as king-priests together in our neighborhoods, community and world.