

## **JESUS IS THE GRANTEE OF THE NEW COVENANT**

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Hebrew 7: 16-28 8:1-7

### **I. Biblical Context**

The main point is that Jesus is no ordinary, weak, sinful, dying Priest, He is strong, pure, and has an indestructible life. He is the Son of God . Jesus has not just come to fit into the early system of the Priesthood as the greatest and final human Priest, rather, he has come to fulfill and end this system. This means that the entire essence of worship which we see in the Old Testament has been radically refocused onto Jesus himself. Worship has now become a spiritual thing, as opposed to merely a physical thing. The physical is still important, but the spiritual is so significant that all external life, (not just church life) has become an expression of our worship. Worship is now something that can and should happen all the time and everywhere.

### **II. Lesson: Jesus is The Guarantee of the New Covenant**

#### **A. Melchizedek The Priest / Heb: 7: 16-28**

16&17 Jesus has become Priest, not on basis of regulation as to ancestry, but on the basis of power of an indestructible life. He was not from tribe of levite or Aaron .

18&19 Jesus is the guarantee of the New Testament. The previous Contract or covenant couldn't be fulfilled. If you kept the law, you were right with God. The law was weak unprofitable. This New Covenant brought us closer to God.

20&21 The former Priest did not take an oath, but Jesus became a Priest with an oath when God said to him, The Lord has sworn, and will not change his mind You, You are a Priest forever after the

order of Melchizedek. ( psalms 110:4).

22. Because of this oath or contract, Jesus has become guarantor of a better covenant.

Does the New Testament replace the Old Testament?

Yes, the old covenant has passed away in its entirety and believers aren't under the old covenant, but the new covenant, which was Inaugurated with Jesus's death and resurrection .

What does the New Testament believe?

We believe in one God, the sovereign Creator and sustainer of all things, infinitely, perfect and eternally existing in three persons: Father ,Son, and Holy Spirit . To Him be all Glory and Honor.

What is the Law of the New Covenant?

The New Covenant is the Law of Christ which includes the commands of the Apostles. The New Covenant is the spiritual fulfillment of the Abrahamic Covenant.

What are the signs of the Covenant ?

The New Covenant Baptism is both the continuation of and the replacement of Old Testament circumcision. As circumcision was the covenant sign and seal applied to all members of God's people In the Old Covenant. So baptism is the covenant sign and seal of members of Gods people in the New Covenant.

What is effects of the New Covenant?

In the New Covenant, God rectified the damage done by Adam by forgiving believers' sin and changing their lives from spiritual deadness to spiritual life.

23-25 There have been many Priest before and after Christ, but they were just mortal men. They didn't live forever as Jesus did. One of The amazing things in the entire bible is that Jesus is able to save completely, perfectly and to the uttermost because of His resurrection from the dead, in fact our entire belief system hinges on the truth. Without the resurrection, we would die in our sins, shame

And guilt. Paul said in Romans 4, He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification( Romans 4:25), Meaning that his resurrection is the proof that we have been restored to a state as if we had never sinned in the first place. The payment for sin was satisfied once for all when Jesus delivered over to death to make atonement, since it was satisfied and all debts forgiven, death no longer had claim on Jesus and had to release him from the grave. Jesus is permanent High Priest. He will not be replaced ,voted out or substituted. Jesus was the G.o.a.t. Priest, also the scape goat for us.

26 Jesus was holy: not tainted, not blemished, observing every moral obligation. Just as a lamb had to be holy , (not blemished) Jesus was set apart from sinners, he loved sinners ,but never sinned. separated but not isolated, blameless and pure. In the world, but not of the world, exalted above the heavens – was not exalted by the world, but God exalted Him high above the heavens.

27 The High Priest had to sacrifice for his own sins ,first before he sacrificed for others. Jesus had no sin, but he was sin for us.

28 the law appointed men of weakness, but Jesus had no weakness. The oath after the law was Jesus, the Son of God, who has been made the perfect High Priest forever.

### B. The High Priest of the New Covenant / Hebrew 8:1-7

1&2 This is the main point of what have talked about in the entire Letter. He says we have such a High Priest, who is sitting at the right Hand of God in heaven.He is not sitting to rest , but to rule. He is advocating for us at the right hand of God. He is seated in redeemed work ,but standing in his intercessory work. Befoe Stephen was stoned, he said Behold, I see the heavens open up and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.

3-5 Every High Priest offered gifts and sacrifices, so Jesus being High Priest offers the same.

If he was on earth, he would not be a Priest, for there are Priest who offer gifts prescribed by the law.

They serve at a sanctuary that is a copy and shadow of what is in heaven . On earth, Jesus would not qualify for a Priest. Priesthood would only be of the tribe of Levite or Aaron. That didn't stop Jesus from being a Priest under the order of Melchizedek. 6&7 Jesus ministry or covenant is better promises, therefore a better covenant than Mosaic covenant.

The Lord sought for another covenant because there was something wrong with the old covenant. The flaw was in the people, not the laws. Some of them had hard hearts and little belief. The people also disobeyed God.

With the new covenant of Christ, God said he would put his laws on the peoples' mind and write them on their hearts.

### **III. CONCLUSION**

Jesus is the High Priest of the New Covenant for ever after the order of Melchizedek. Jesus is the Guarantee of the New Covenant.