

Present Day Ministry of Jesus Hebrews Pt 09

WHY JESUS IS A BETTER HIGH PRIEST

- Heb 8:1-5 Now the point in what we are saying is this: **we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, (2) a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up**, not man. (3) For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; thus it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer.

SLIDE - a high priest - seated - a minister in the holy places - the TRUE Tent the Lord set up - his blood

- Heb 9:12 he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves **but by means of his own blood**, thus **securing an eternal redemption**.

THE PROBLEM → THE CLOSER THE MORE RESTRICTIVE

- (4) **Now if he were on earth**, he would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law. (5) They serve **a copy and shadow** of the heavenly things. For **when Moses was about to erect the tent**, he was instructed by God, saying, "See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain."

SLIDE - many high priests - standing 1x per year - The Copy or Shadow Tent → Moses set up - blood of goats

JESUS OPENED THE WAY - his one sacrifice for all men for all time →

His Sacrifice accepted - our sins forgiven - WE CANNOT COME INTO HIS PRESENCE WITH SIN

- Heb 1:3... **After making purification for sins**, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.
- Heb 10:12 But when Christ had offered **for all time a single sacrifice** for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God.

HE WORKS WITH US IN THE WAY -- INTERCEDING - NONE OF US ARE PERFECT ON THE JOURNEY

- Heb 10:14 For by a single offering **he has perfected** for all time **those who are being sanctified**.
 - Perfected forever → our **standing before God..... being sanctified → a work in process**
- Heb 7:25 Consequently, he is **able to save to the uttermost** those who draw near to God through him, **since he always lives to make intercession for them**.
 - **INTERCESSION** to approach and speak to someone on behalf of another....petitioning, interceding, pleading, or making representation. It was often used in legal or court settings — like someone making an appeal to a ruler or official.

HE GIVE US ACCESS TO THE VERY THRONE OF GOD

- Heb 4:14–16 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, **let us hold fast our confession**. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, **yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace**, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.
- Heb 10:19–22 Therefore, brothers, since **we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus**...let us draw near with a true heart in **full assurance of faith**.

HE IS WAITING - SEATING - CONFIDENT OF THE END

- Heb 10:12-13 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, (13) **waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet**.

DO YOU DRAW BACK OR DRAW NEAR IN TIME OF NEED

HE INVITES YOU INTO THE VERY THRONE OF GOD'S GRACE TO HELP

BRINGING HIS BLOOD, INTERCEDING AS WE WORK THROUGH SANCTIFICATION, CALLING US NEAR