

Jesus Everything

THE NEW TESTAMENT BOOK OF HEBREWS

January 15, 2017

Hebrews 4:14-5:10

The High Priest

- Supreme religious leader of the Israelites
- Oversaw the subordinate priests including the Sanhedrin
- Mediator between God and human beings
- Discerner of the will of God through the Urim and Thummin (engraved dice-like stones used to determine truth falsity)

EARTHLY High Priest.....versus.....ETERNAL High Priest

EARTHLY High Priest

- He is fully HUMAN
“Every high priest is a man...” Heb. 5:1
- He is CALLED by God
“No one can become a high priest simply because he ants such an honor. He must be called by God for this work, just as Aaron was.” Heb. 5:4
- He is one of us and SINFUL
“He is able to deal gently with ignorant and wayward people because he himself is subject to the same weaknesses. That is why he must offer sacrifices for his own sins as well as theirs.” Heb 5:2-3
- He presents GIFTS and SACRIFICES as atonement for sin
“He presents their gifts to God and offers sacrifices for their sins.” Heb. 5:1
- He provides LIMITED atonement for past/current sins
“...the Day of Atonement, when offerings of purification are made for you, making you right with the Lord your God.” Lev. 23:28
- He is a TEMPORAL mediator between God and human beings
“...making them right with the LORD once each year.” Lev. 16:34

ETERNAL High Priest

- He is fully human and fully DIVINE
“...since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God...” Heb. 4:14
 - He is called by God through SONSHIP
“Christ did not honor himself by assuming he could become High Priest. No, He was chosen by God, who said to him, ‘You are my Son. Today I have become your Father.’ And in another passage God said to him, ‘You are a priest forever in the order of Melchizedek.’” Heb. 5:4-6
 - He is one of us yet SINLESS
“While Jesus was here on earth, he offered prayers and pleadings, with a loud cry and tears, to the one who could rescue him from death. And God heard his prayers because of his deep reverence for God.” Heb. 5:7
 - He presents HIMSELF as atonement for sin
“Even though Jesus was God’s Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered.” Heb. 5:8
“ He gave his life to purchase freedom for everyone.” 1 Tim. 2:6
 - He provides the PERFECT atonement for all
“God qualified him as a perfect High Priest, and he became the source of eternal salvation for all those who obey him.” Heb. 5:9
 - He is the FINAL mediator between God and human beings
“And God designated him to be a High Priest in the order of Melchizedek.” Heb. 5:10
“For, There is one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity—the man Christ Jesus.” 1 Tim. 2:5
- “So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin. So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.” Heb. 4:14-16
- > As our representative, Jesus INTERCEEDS for us BEFORE God
 - > As God’s representative, Jesus ASSURES us of forgiveness FROM God