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The writer of Hebrews was telling his church members not to go back to the Old Testament system of worship because the One it was all pointing to, the Lord Jesus Christ, had already come. But severe persecution, convenience, or false teaching tempted many to abandon the church, at least physically, if not spiritually altogether. So he points out the superiority of Christ's mediating and priestly ministry to make them realize Who they were leaving:

#### **JESUS MINISTERS TO US AS OUR SOVEREIGN PRIEST: THE SON OF GOD (v. 1)**

- All previous chapters in Hebrews are summarized in Hebrews 8:1: Jesus is our High Priest. He is now seated. He is at the right hand of God.
- Verse 1 is the reason why these verses are not only true, but why they are all saying the same thing:
  - Peter: Acts 4:12 And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other Name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."
  - Paul: 1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God, and there is one Mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.
  - Jesus: John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me".

#### **JESUS MINISTERS TO US FROM THE SUPREME PLACE: HEAVEN (vv. 2-5)**

- Jesus is not a Levite serving inside a prototype of heaven, doing things that merely hint at what's happening there (vv. 2-4). Moses, Aaron, and all those who followed after, knew that this was all that was happening (v. 5).
- Heaven isn't just God's home, it is where God's throne is, and God's throne evokes and practically mandates worship. That's why heaven is essentially synonymous with "worship" and "Holy of Holies". The standard way of life in heaven is worship. This is foreign to us because earthly homes and thrones don't necessarily equal worship. But heaven is all about it. And that is from where Jesus ministers to us as our High Priest.



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#### **JESUS MINISTERS TO US WITH SUPERIOR PROMISES: THE NEW COVENANT (vv. 6-13)**

- The covenant under the Mosaic Law was superseded because of two key reasons:
  1. God was faithful and kept his part, but man could not (vv. 7-9).
  2. It was always meant to be temporary (vv. 6, 13).
- How God changes you upon salvation. These are the promised blessings of the New Covenant (vv. 10-12):
  1. God will change believers from within, planting His Law on our hearts and minds.
  2. He will establish an unbreakable relationship which will make Him “our” God and us “His” people.
  3. God will “forgive . . . and remember their sins no more” (v. 12).

God has completely empowered us to do all His will. What God obligates, He lovingly enables!

#### **FINAL THOUGHTS**

Because of Jesus, there is now a New Covenant. The most important question to now settle is: have you taken part in the New Covenant? Have you, by faith, received the finished work of the High Priest who Himself became the sacrificial offering on the Cross? If so, then join us in His worship and the Lord’s Table today. If not, then come to Him and find forgiveness and new life.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. According to Hebrews 8:1, why is Jesus the only worthy High Priest to represent us to God and to mediate for us before God?
2. How differently will you live right now if you really saw yourself the way God sees you (Romans 8:30; Hebrews 8:10)?
3. Pray together, and ask that God helps you all appreciate the saving work of Christ and what it reveals about God’s love for you.



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