



Jesus Becomes A High Priest

9.08.19 | Hebrews 4:11-16

In Bible Study, we are looking for the original writers intended meaning to the original readers, and how it applies to our lives in 2019.

It is an act of God's grace to show us our sin, and an act of God's mercy to forgive us of our sin.

Old Testament sacrifices communicated three vital truths.

1. God takes our sin very seriously.
2. God accepts substitutes for our sins.
3. God used the sacrifices as a type of His son's ultimate sacrifice for our sin.

Hebrews 5:1-11 *For every high priest taken from among men is appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He can have compassion on those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also subject to weakness. ³Because of this he is required as for the people, so also for himself, to offer sacrifices for sins. ⁴And no man takes this honor to himself, but he who is called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him:*

***"You are My Son, Today I have begotten You."** ⁶As He also says in another place: **"You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek"** ⁷who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, ⁸though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. ⁹And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him, ¹⁰called by God as High Priest **"according to the order of Melchizedek,"** ¹¹of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.*

Genesis 14:18-20 *Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. ¹⁹And he blessed him and said: "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; ²⁰And blessed be God Most High, Who has delivered your enemies into your hand. And he gave him a tithe of all.*

Psalms 110:4 *The LORD has sworn And will not relent, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."*

Everyone who is "in Christ" can say, JESUS IS MY HIGH PRIEST! **Hebrews 4:14-16**

Hebrews 5:13-14 *For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. ¹⁴But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

1 Peter 2:1-3 Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, ² as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

1 Corinthians 3:1- 4 And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual people but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. ² I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; ³ for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men? ⁴ For when one says, "I am of Paul," and another, "I am of Apollos," are you not carnal?

What does GBC offer to help me grow up spiritually?

- Study Guides
- Adult Bible Electives (ABE's – Sundays at 9:30)
- Life Groups (Men, Ladies, Couples, & Young Singles)
- Student Ministry to equip and encourage parents in one of their most crucial roles.
- Biblical Discipleship & Counseling (preventive/restorative)
- Numerous and various opportunities to serve one another (re **Hebrews 6:10**)

Three questions I should be asking...

What does spiritual maturity look like in my life?

How interested am I in growing in my walk with Christ?

What changes need to be made to assure that my relationship with Christ will grow?

What does spiritual maturity look like?

1. My concern for others outweighs my concern for self.
2. I detect the presence of sin or danger before it is obvious.
3. I have wisdom and understanding, as well as knowledge.
4. I have the discipline to carry out that which is right to do.
5. My emotions are not the determining factor of my decisions.
6. My awareness of needs is matched by my involvement to help.
7. I am willing to change regardless of the effort needed.
8. I pray and study God's Word consistently.
9. I am quickly willing to admit and confess all my sins.
10. I choose friends that protect and help my walk with Christ.
11. I see the value of hearing hard things that I need to hear.

Philippians 2:3-4

Proverbs 22:3

Psalms 111:10

James 1:22

Eccl. 12:13, Matt 7:24

Galatians 6:9-10

James 1:22-27

1 Timothy 2:15

1 John 1:1-10

Proverbs 13:20

Proverbs 1:5

"Spiritual growth does not always involve learning something new. Our most important growth often is in regard to truth we have already heard but have not fully applied... I am convinced that many who submit to various kinds of extra-biblical therapy do so precisely because they are looking for a way of solving their problems without surrendering to what they know God's Word requires of them." John MacArthur

Hebrews 4:7 "Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts."

Mark your calendar...

9.29.19 | Membership Information Class from 3pm-6pm

9.29.19 | Pizza with the Pastors from 6pm-7:30pm

11.2.19 | Men's Annual Breakfast & Bible Conference from 8:30am-Noon