



We Have Jesus as Our High Priest

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Hebrews 8:1-6 Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: **We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens,** ² a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man. ³ For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices. Therefore it is necessary that this One also have something to offer. ⁴ For if He were on earth, He would not be a priest, since there are priests who offer the gifts according to the law; ⁵ who serve the copy and shadow of the heavenly things, as Moses was divinely instructed when he was about to make the tabernacle. For He said, "See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain." ⁶ But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises.

No one is or has ever been saved by the Law. Those who received salvation in the Old Testament received it by faith, looking forward to what God would do for them. We are saved by faith, looking back to what God did do for us through the cross of Jesus Christ.

1. **Noahic Covenant** - God made this with Noah and all of mankind, promising with a sign in the sky, a rainbow, to never destroy the world again by flood. Re: Genesis 9

2. **Abrahamic Covenant** - This covenant had numerous elements (Genesis 12:1-3, 6-7; 13:14-17; 15; 17:1-14; 22:15-18). Abraham would be the father of the Jewish nation with numerous physical descendants. His people would be given land, and the entire world would benefit from the Jews. **The ultimate fulfillment of this blessing came through a Jew crucified on a cross, Jesus the Son of God.**

3. **Mosaic Covenant** (Deuteronomy 11) - The Mosaic Covenant was a conditional covenant that either brought God's blessing for obedience or God's judgment for disobedience upon the nation of Israel.

4. **Davidic Covenant** (2 Samuel 7:8-16) - God promised that David's lineage would last forever and that his kingdom would never pass away permanently (verse 16). There will be a time when someone from the line of David will again sit on the throne in Jerusalem and rule as king. (Luke 1:32-33).

5. **New Covenant** (Jeremiah 31:31-34) - The New Covenant is a covenant made first with the nation of Israel, but all mankind can reap the benefits that it offers.

Not all the Bible was written to us, but all of the Bible was written for us. Re: 2 Timothy 3:16

Hebrews 8:7-13 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second. ⁸ Because finding fault with them, He says: "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah— ⁹ not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to

lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they did not continue in My covenant, and I disregarded them, says the LORD.

¹⁰ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. ¹¹ None of them shall teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them. ¹² For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more." ¹³ In that He says, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. Now what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.

The Law would have loved to offer salvation to mankind, for if it were possible to save people through the Law, then Jesus would not have had to be crucified. The defect was *not* in God's Law; it was within mankind. We are incapable of fulfilling it. Therefore, someone has to fulfill it on our behalf!

Galatians 3:21-22 *Is the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given which could have given life, truly righteousness would have been by the law. ²² But the Scripture has confined all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.*

Romans 8:3-4 *For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.*

Romans 3:28 *Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.*

Romans 4:1-6 *What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³ For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." ⁴ Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt. ⁵ But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness, ⁶ just as David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works:*

Our mercy seat is Jesus Christ!

The Christian life is supernatural, meaning God has to do something to our hearts for us to treasure Christ and desire His will over our agenda. God has to help our hearts do what it would never do on its own, which is to love Jesus more than we love ourselves.

Men's Pig Roast – Saturday, October 12th at 4PM | RSVP at the sign-up table.

Widows of Grace Outing - Thursday, October 17th | RSVP at the sign-up table.

Men's Bible Study – Saturday, November 2nd - 8:30 am -Noon | RSVP at the sign-up table.