

Sunday School Live Lesson

July 21, 2024

Christ as Intercessor

Hebrews 7:20-28

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Questions for Us Today

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What is your view of Christ Jesus in our lives?

How should we represent Christ Jesus in our lives?

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Objectives

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To understand what the author of the Book of Hebrews intended to convey to an audience of Jewish Christians.

To understand how we today may apply this lesson to our lives.

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1. Bibliography

2. Points of Information: Hebrews

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3. Lesson Context

4. Lesson Text

5. Remember This

Points of Information – Hebrews

The authorship of the Book of Hebrews is unknown. Its writing has been variously attributed to Paul, Barnabas, Silas, Luke, Priscilla, Apollos or others.

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Most Biblical scholars, however, are certain that the Apostle Paul is not the author.

The Hebrews author was an Old Testament expert, quoting and referencing numerous Scriptures.

Points of Information – Hebrews

Chapter 11 of the Book of Hebrews contains the well known Hall of Faith. Cited are Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph and Moses. Also included are Rahab, Samson, Samuel and David.

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The message of faith is a dominant theme in this Book – not just in Chapter 11.

Points of Information – Hebrews

Hebrews 13:2 contains a clear admonition for how we are to treat people whom we might not know:

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“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some have entertained angels without knowing it.”

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The original audience for the Book of Hebrews [most likely] consisted of Jewish Christians, who (under persecution) may have been considering a return to Judaism.

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In the earlier Chapters of the Book of Hebrews, the author cites and quotes numerous passages of Scripture, while asserting the superiority and sufficiency of Jesus as Christ, the Messiah.

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In the earlier Verses of Chapter 7, the author contrasts the Priesthood of Christ Jesus with that of Melchizedek.

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In the Verses for today's lesson, the author of the Book of Hebrews makes a strong case for Christ Jesus as the ultimate High Priest and Intercessor.

Hebrews 7:20 [NLT]

This new system was established with a solemn oath. Aaron's descendants became priests without such an oath,

Hebrews 7:21 [KJV]

(For those priests were made without an oath; but this with an oath by Him that said unto Him, The Lord sware and will not repent, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec)

[Note: This is a direct quote from Psalm 110:4.]

Hebrews 7:22 [NLT]

Because of this oath, Jesus is the One who guarantees this better covenant with God.

Hebrews 7:23

There were many priests under the old system, for death prevented them from remaining in office.

Hebrews 7:24

But because Jesus lives forever,
His priesthood lives forever.

Hebrews 7:25

Therefore, He is able, once and forever, to save those who come to God through Him. He lives forever to intercede with God on their behalf.

Hebrews 7:26

He is the kind of high priest we need because He is holy and blameless, untainted by sin. He has been set apart from sinners and has been given the highest place of honor in Heaven.

Hebrews 7:27

Unlike those other high priests, He does not need to offer sacrifices every day. They did this for their own sins first and then for the sins of the people. But Jesus did this once for all when He offered Himself as the sacrifice for the people's sins.

Hebrews 7:28

The law appointed high priests who were limited by human weakness. But after the law was given, God appointed His Son with an oath, and His Son has been made the perfect High Priest forever.

Remember this:

As our King of Kings, Lord of Lords and High Priest, Christ Jesus intercedes for us with the Heavenly Father, in payment for our sins – if we will believe in Him confess our sins and call on Him.

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Submit to God in Love

James 4:1-10

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