



July 16, 2023

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:

Hebrews 7:23-28

²³ The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴ but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵ Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶ For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself. ²⁸ For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever. ¹

D-GROUP AGENDA

Welcome & Catch Up

Begin your D-Group time by taking a few minutes to catch up since your last meeting. Share updates regarding prayer requests shared previously and celebrate what God has done and is doing in the lives of your group members.

Read It

Read the scripture passage, highlighting portions that stand out and things you wish to discuss.

Study It

Among your group, discuss those things that stand out in the passage. For things that may be confusing or create more questions, work together to discover God's truth. Here are a few good books on Hebrews and Leviticus.

Hughes, R. Kent. *Hebrews: An Anchor for the Soul*. Preaching the Word Commentary. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015.

Mathews, Kenneth A. *Leviticus: Holy God, Holy People*. Preaching the Word Commentary. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2009.

Moseley, Allan. *Leviticus*. Christ-Centered Exposition. Nashville, TN: Holman, 2015.

Mohler, R. Albert, Jr. *Exalting Jesus in Hebrews: Christ-Centered Exposition*. Nashville, TN: Holman, 2017.

¹ [The Holy Bible: English Standard Version](#). (2016). (Heb 7:23–28). Wheaton, IL: Crossway Bibles.

Schreiner, Thomas R. *Hebrews*. Evangelical Biblical Theology Commentary. Bellingham, WA: Lexham, 2020.

Review It

The Old Testament Aaronic priesthood was limited. Why would the Hebrew writer speak so much regarding this reality? What does this have to do with Christ's role as priest?

As priest, Christ is said to be the intercessor before the Father for the redeemed. How does this impact your view of Christ? Have you ever thought of him this way? Why or why not?

Five Questions

1. What did you like about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
2. What did you not like or find confusing about this week's scripture passage and sermon?
3. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about God?
4. What does this week's scripture passage and sermon say about humanity?
5. Who outside your group needs to hear the truths from this week's sermon?

Prayer

Pray for each other. Pray for our church and for others gathering in D-groups. Pray for specific needs shared among your members.