Jesus Like Melchizedek - Hebrews 7:11-28

Topics: Atonement, Blessing, Comparisons, Eternal Life, Greatness, Heritage, Inadequacy, Mediator, Messiah, New Covenant, Perfect, Prayer

Open It

- * 1. When might a person want to be represented by a lawyer? Why?
 - 2. What is something that you have replaced or gotten rid of recently?
 - 3. What is one regular task or chore that you hate doing?
 - 4. How might you react if you found yourself alone in an elevator with the president or the Prince of Wales?

Explore It

- 5. Why did a new priest from the order of Melchizedek come along to replace the order of Aaron? (7:11)
- 6. What does a new priesthood require? (7:12)
- 7. What made Jesus unique as a member of His tribe? (7:13-14)
- 8. From what tribe did Jesus Christ come? (7:13-14) How is this significant?
- 9. What connection did Jesus' tribe have to the Jewish priesthood? (7:14)
- * 10. On what basis did Christ become a priest? (7:15-16)
 - 11. Why is the new covenant superior to the old covenant of law? (7:18-19)
- * 12. How is Jesus unique among the priests who represented Israel before God? (7:23-25)
 - 13. What does Jesus do for those who come to God through Him? How? (7:25)
- * 14. What is Jesus, our high priest, like? (7:26-27)
 - 15. What did the Levitical priests have to do before they offered sacrifices for the sins of the people? (7:27)
 - 16. How did Jesus perform His function as high priest when he was on earth? (7:27)

Get It

- * 17. How does it make you feel to know that Jesus is praying for you at this very moment?
 - 18. What does this passage say to people who feel the need for a human priest?
 - 19. What role does the law of God play in making us right before God or giving us the power to live for God?
 - 20. What comfort can we find in Jesus' role as our high priest?
 - 21. What could you say to someone who says, "I don't see what Christ accomplished by dying on the cross"?
 - 22. How is the resurrection of Christ important?
- * 23. In what way can Christ's priesthood give us confidence to draw near to God?

Apply It

- 24. How can you make a special effort each day this next week to draw near to God?
- 25. For whom will you pray every day this week?
- * 26. How can you honor Christ as your high priest in your prayer throughout the coming week?