

In Search Of Perfection – Hebrews 7:11-28

We cannot create our own perfection, but we can find it when we seek the face of our Perfect High Priest.

Intro. – In Search Of Perfection – Hebrews 7:11-14

- Melchizedek, king of Salem translates into King of Righteousness and Peace. (Read Hebrews 7:1-2)
- “Perfection” (v.11):
- “Change” (v. 12) means we need a paradigm shift

Why It Matters That Jesus Is Our Great High Priest...

I. He Gives Us A Better Hope Of Drawing Near To God – Hebrews 7:15-19

- “Indestructible life!”
- “we draw near”

II. He Guarantees A Better Covenant Of Grace – Hebrews 7:20-22

- Exodus 24:7-8, Mark 14:28, Ephesians 2:8-9

III. He Can Save Us To The Uttermost & Lives To Intercede! – Hebrews 7:23-25

- Romans 8:31-34
- “save to the uttermost”
- “Those who draw near”

Close: Finding Perfection In Our High Priest!– Hebrews 7:26-28

He is...

1. Holy
2. Innocent
3. Unstained
4. Separated from sinners
5. Exalted above the heavens

... Perfect!

- 1 John 4:15-18
- “Draw near” (Read Hebrews 7:19, 25; 4:16)

Devotional:

1. *We all desire peace in our lives. Where or how are you looking for yours?*
2. The Hebrew author says religion is to provide unhindered access to the presence of God who loves us? *Of the three reasons why it matters that Jesus is our High Priest, which one encourages you the most? Why?*
3. *What does perfection look like for you and how are you seeking it?*
4. A paradigm shift a major “change” (Ch. 7:12) in your worldview and practices of how something works or is accomplished. What needs to change in your view of Jesus and how you approach God?
5. *Knowing who Jesus is should give us great confidence to draw near to God. If you were to make a New Year’s resolution to “draw near to God” this year, what would it look like?*