

## **THE SUPERIORITY OF CHRIST: A Perfect Priest**

### **Hebrews 7:20-28**

#### **Introduction**

After the first six chapters of Hebrews, in which we explored the superiority of Jesus as a person (he was better than the angels, the prophets, Moses, and Aaron), this now begins the second main section of this book: the superiority of Jesus' priesthood. In chapters 7-10, the writer is going to fully explain how Jesus' priesthood is superior to all others. Beginning in ch. 7, we will see the writer argue that Christ's priesthood, like Melchizadek's, is superior in its order.

The main point of this passage, as it concludes chapter 7, is that Jesus is our perfect High Priest who is able to encourage us by being qualified to save us completely. There are three points he makes to show us why Jesus is our perfect High Priest.

#### **I. JESUS' ETERNAL INTERCESSION (vv. 23-25)**

#### **II. JESUS' PERFECT CHARACTER (vv. 26-27)**

#### **III. JESUS'S PERMANENT SACRIFICE (v. 27)**

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Resources: *To The Hebrews*, George W. Buchanan; *Calvin's Commentaries XXII*, John Calvin; *Living & Loving Like Jesus*, Brandon Cook; *Evangelical Dictionary of Theology*, Elwell; Donald Hagner, *Encountering the Book of Hebrews*; *Matthew Henry's Commentary (Vol. 6)*; *Hebrews*, Simon Kistemaker; *Hebrews For You*, Michael Kruger