

## Hebrews 7:1-28 Connections

**In the beginning...**What truth did the Holy Spirit stir in you through the sermon Sunday?

**Memory Verse:** ‘Because of this oath, Jesus is the one who guarantees this better covenant with God’ (Hebrews 7:22 NLT).

### Let’s dig into the Bible for Truth:

**Hebrews 7:1 -3 (also Genesis 14:18 – 20):** What does the name Melchizedek mean and how does Jesus remind us of him?

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**Hebrews 7:4 – 10 (also Deuteronomy 26:1 – 15; Malachi 3:6 – 14; Matthew 23:23):**

1. Who started the idea of giving a tenth (tithe)? \_\_\_\_\_
2. In the law who was commanded to receive tenth? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Is the tenth (tithes) still received today? If yes, who receives them? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Hebrews 7:11 – 17:**

1. Why do we need another priesthood after the order of Melchizedek? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What tribe of Israel is Jesus connected to? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Jesus has “become a priest...on the basis of the \_\_\_\_\_ of an \_\_\_\_\_”.

**Hebrews 7:18 – 22:** The New Covenant (unlike the O. T. priesthood) is given with an oath, and “Because of this oath, Jesus has become the \_\_\_\_\_ of a \_\_\_\_\_ covenant”.

**Hebrews 7:23 – 28:**

1. How does Jesus’ Priesthood differ from the O. T. and how does this difference save us completely? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. What five qualities does the author of Hebrews ascribe to Jesus?  
a) \_\_\_\_\_ b) \_\_\_\_\_ c) \_\_\_\_\_  
d) \_\_\_\_\_ ) e) \_\_\_\_\_

**“But be DOERS of the Word and not hearers only...” James 1:22**

**What Now? Application time:**

1. How will our confession agree with our tithe (tenth) that God will open the windows of heaven? How will my words agree that it profits us to take this action of faith?
2. In what ways will we stop trying to gain perfectionism through law (our own or O. T. regulations) and look to Jesus to perfect us?
3. How will we trust in Jesus to “save us completely” from our sins “once and for all”? (Can we live guilt free lives – we’ll see in Chapter 9)

**Summary:** Chapter seven presents two very important turning points: a new priesthood and a new covenant. A repeat of chapter 5: “a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek” but with more explanation. First he links the tithe to Abraham, who lived more than 400 years BEFORE the law. He states the new priest (Jesus) now receives those tithes which links O. T. tithe to the N. T.. He proves the principle of the tithe is before, during, and after the law. Jesus is the High Priest of the New Covenant and changed the order of priesthood. He changed the tribe from Levi to Judah [praise]; from a temporal priesthood to an eternal priesthood (forever); from annual forgiveness (sacrifices every year) to salvation from our sins “once and for all”; from perfection based upon regulation to one based on “the power of an indestructible life” (Jesus); from a priest who dies (because men die) to one who ever lives to make intercession for us before the Father’s Throne.