

A MONUMENTAL CHANGE

HEBREWS 7:20-28

How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)

BACKGROUND: Beginning in Chapter 2 and in each succeeding chapter, you have seen that Jesus is your High Priest. In this section it is revealed how God made Jesus the High Priest and why this monumental change is better than the Levitical priesthood.

GOD MADE THE MOST PROFOUND OATH! This oath did away with the Levitical priesthood. The permanent priesthood of Jesus now rests on God's promise, not on man's ancestry. The oath is not only guaranteed by the indestructible life of Jesus, but His life in me guarantees my indestructible personal relationship with Him. (**Hebrews 7:20-24, fn 7:22-24, Psalm 110:4, Hebrews 7:16, Ephesians 1:13, 14, fn 1:13, 14**) *Why is this oath a monumental change?*

JESUS SAVES FROM THE GUTTERMOST TO THE UTTERMOST! Though my sins seem unforgiveable, Jesus once for all paid the penalty for them and gave me life eternal that is abundant and full. Unlike the Levitical high priest, who offered only temporary forgiveness, Jesus the permanent High Priest gives permanent forgiveness. (**Hebrews 7:25, fn 7:25, fn 7:11-17, Isaiah 1:18, fn 1:18, Hebrews 10:17, fn 10:17, John 10:10, fn 10:10**) *How were you saved?*

JESUS INTERCEDES FOR ME! There is now no curtain or barrier that restricts my continuous access into the presence of my Heavenly Father. As my High Priest, Jesus is always before the Father on my behalf meeting all my needs in my struggles in this world. (**Hebrews 7:25-27, fn 7:27, Hebrews 9:24, fn 9:24, I John 2:1, 2, fn 2:1, 2, Romans 8:31-34, fn 8:34, Hebrews 7:28, fn 7:28**) *How has Jesus done it all for you? Should you pray the prayer in fn 7:28?*

As you daily study the truths about Jesus, in what ways is the presence of the Holy Spirit revealing to you God's majesty and glory?