

Jesus is High Priest

Heb.2:14-18

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Heb.2:17 Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

Who and what is this Jesus whom we see portrayed in Holy Writ? We know unequivocally that Jesus exists even now; the resounding fact that Jesus is! Therefore who is He who does exist? We have seen that Jesus is God. (Titus 2:13; 1Jn.5:20) We have also seen that Jesus is King. (1Cor.15:27; 1Pt.3:22; Rev.1:5-6)

Holy Scripture also declares to us the facts of Jesus' lineage. Without denial Jesus is The Son of God and Son of man like no other ever born. (Lk.1:32, 35) (Lk.1:41-44) Therefore!

Therefore is such a marvelous word. It is the hinge pin from which one statement gains its power or understanding. Heb.2:17 begins with this hinge pin word. "Therefore He had to be made like His brothers in every respect..." (Heb.2:17) "so that He might become..." "high priest in service to God"

It made sense to God (His logic is greater than ours - 1Cor.2:16; Isa.55:9) that the only way to save humanity from the law governing sin and death was

to outsmart it by becoming one of us. By becoming human He gained the depth of understanding to be able to truly stand in our place before God and make atonement for our sin. By His human Blood we (humanity) are saved.

Only a man could be a High Priest. (Heb.8:3) Only a blood offering was acceptable for sin. (Heb.9:22) Why? Because life is in the blood (Lev.17:11) and the soul that sins must die. (Gen.2:17; Eze.18:20) The life (the blood) takes the place of the one who did the sin so that they might live. (Heb.9:14; 1Jn.1:7)

Jesus resides on the throne of God the Father with power and authority and might and from there He continues to make intercession on our behalf. (Heb.7:19-27; 8:1-3; 9:24-28)

Heb.7:25 Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. 26 For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. 27 He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself.

Jesus is (our) High Priest forever!

Thank you Jesus!