

JESUS' PRIESTHOOD IS SUPERIOR, PART 3:  
THE PROVIDER OF A BETTER SACRIFICE  
(Hebrews 7:26-28)

- I. The SUPERIORITY of the New HIGH PRIEST (Heb. 7:26)
  - A. The "FITTINGNESS" of His ministry
    - 1. DEMONSTRATES the CHARACTER we need
    - 2. EXERCISES the POWER we need
  - B. The DIVINE PERFECTION of His ministry
    - 1. He is HOLY: INCAPABLE of SIN
    - 2. He is INNOCENT: HARMLESS toward mankind
    - 3. He is UNDEFILED: no MORAL or SPIRITUAL blemish
  - C. The DIVINE SATISFACTION in His ministry
    - 1. He is SEPARATED from SINNERS
      - a. By His SINLESS NATURE (4:15)
      - b. By His DIVINE OFFICE
    - 2. He is EXALTED ABOVE the heavens (1:3)
      - a. His PERMANENT POSITION
      - b. His ETERNAL GLORY

- II. The WEAKNESS of the Old PRIESTHOOD (Heb. 7:27-28a)
  - A. Administered by SINFUL MEN
    - 1. Needed sacrifices for THEIR OWN SINS
      - a. Required ANNUALLY
      - b. Required before making INTERCESSION for the PEOPLE
    - 2. Offered only TEMPORARY sacrifices for OTHERS' SINS
  - B. Contrasted with CHRIST
    - 1. INHERENTLY fit for making PERPETUAL intercession for us
    - 2. Sacrificed HIMSELF [and for another, He did this] only "ONCE for ALL"
  - C. Appointed under the LAW (7:11-12)
    - 1. Established as MINISTERS for GOD
    - 2. WEAK because of their own NEED for FORGIVENESS
  
- III. The FINALITY of the New HIGH PRIEST (Heb. 7:28b)
  - A. Provided by "the WORD of the OATH" (7:20-25)
    - 1. Established by God's UNCHANGEABLE vow (7:21)
    - 2. Introduced AFTER the Law
  - B. Appointed by GOD
    - 1. A ministry of the SON
    - 2. A priesthood "made PERFECT FOREVER"