

Hebrews Together

Devotional Recap (Week 5)

What's one thing God taught you, reminded you of, or challenged you with this week?

Sermon Discussion (Hebrews 7:23-26)

Questions:

1. Why a high priest is great.

- How did the Dorian Gray illustration help you understand sin and what God sees?
- Read Leviticus 16:29-34 (or read the whole chapter if you wish). What were the main rituals the high priest followed on the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) and what was the result for both him and the people?
- Have you ever had a “waterfall” experience where you felt completely clean like the Jews felt on this day?

2. Why Jesus is greater.

- Read Hebrews 7:23-28. How is Jesus quantitatively (v. 23) and qualitatively (v. 26-27) better than Levitical priests?
- Re-read verse 25. What comes to mind as you think of the setting and dialogue of Jesus as representing you at the throne of God?

3. Why that is great news.

- Read Isaiah 61:10 and 2 Corinthians 5:17. During Yom Kippur people wear white robes to symbolize a desire for purity. What greater robe does Jesus give us? How does this change the way we approach God?
- The work of our sympathetic High Priest is permanent and perfect. How does fixing your eyes on him change the way you can approach people, hurt or pain (see verse 28)?

Application

Read 1 Peter 2:9-10. This week Jews around the world will fast, repent of their sin, pray to God for forgiveness and deliberately seek reconciliation in their relationships. What can we learn from them as we seek to represent Jesus as a “royal priesthood” and make our Great High Priest famous?

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Prayer (Make this a weekly group priority)

Please spend at least 10-15 minutes in group prayer. Pray through any areas where you struggle to believe and trust in what Jesus has done for you to make you clean and righteous.

Announcements

1. **CCC 101 (Membership Class) // Saturday, Oct. 12 // 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Our vision at CCC is to help people know Jesus, grow in their relationship with him, and serve him daily. Join us for CCC 101 to learn how you can apply this vision personally to your life. In addition to talking about the importance of knowing Jesus, spiritual growth and the value of service, you'll get familiar with our church doctrine, learn how your specific skills lend themselves to service and take the steps to become a member at CCC. Sign up at ccchapel.com/events.

2. **Refugee Ministry needs childcare volunteers // Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**

Contact Jenelle.Jordan@ccchapel.com if you can help so local refugees can attend English classes at CCC.

3. **Fall Yard Work**

There are two older women in our church asking for assistance in some small projects around their yard(s). If you and a few people in your group or looking a project, contact Mike.Holwerda@ccchapel.com as each project is easily done in a couple of hours.

