

**The Book Of Hebrews**  
**Chapter 7 verses 11 - 20 Pastor Charles A. Hall – June 30<sup>th</sup> , 2022**

**Chapter 7** From chapter 7 to chapter 10, the author extends his discussion on the superiority of the priesthood of Jesus Christ, compared to earthly priest, by demonstrating the superiority of His order, which is His call, His covenant, which deal with His promise, His ministry, and His ultima sacrifice. The Levitical priests that came forth from Aaron, were based in the order of Aaron, but Jesus was established in the order of Melchizedek.

11. If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?

The unknown author is stating that if the Levitical priesthood were producing perfection which means completion or fulfillment of its role, there would be no need for another priesthood. If the old priesthood had been complete, there would be no need for another priesthood after the order of Melchisedec. The passing of the Levitical priesthood also did away with the Mosaic law for the believer.

- Romans 7:7-14

12. For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.

When the Levitical priesthood was changed, it required or mandated a change to the law, because the law did not produce the Levitical priesthood, the priesthood required the law. The laws were given to Moses and Aaron at Mt Sinai to provide the procedures and ordinances for the functioning of the Levitical priesthood.

13. For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.

The one whom these things were spoken to, is from another tribe, and no one from that tribe ever served at the altar.

14. For it is evident that our Lord sprang out of Judah; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood.

It is clear from bible scripture that our Lord Jesus Christ is a descendant of the tribe of Judah, and Moses spoken of nothing concerning the priesthood to this tribe.

- Genesis 49:8-10

15. And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth another priest,

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The author states that the old testament scripture is evident that the coming of the new priest (Jesus Christ) is of the likeness of Melchisedec because he has no beginning, nor end to the priesthood, which brings about unending salvation, and intercession through a perfect one-time sacrifice.

16. Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life.

The verse is a follow on from the prior verse, that states that the new priest (Jesus Christ) will not come from ancestry (descendant) but rather from a powerful and immortal life.

17. For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

For God declares that Jesus Christ is a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

18. For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof.

The author states that the former laws were set aside because they were weak and useless.

- Romans 8:3

19. For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope did; by the which we draw nigh unto God.

The law did nothing to make us perfect, but the new high priest Jesus Christ made us perfect by bringing us closer to God, and by imputing His righteousness unto us.

- Acts 13:39

20. And inasmuch as not without an oath he was made priest:

The old testament Levitical priest were given an oath in becoming a priest, Jesus Christ did not require an oath from man, he was made a priest by the authority of God.