

The Better High Priest

Hebrews 7:23-28

Optimism hopes for the best without any guarantee of its arriving and is often no more than whistling in the dark. Christian hope, by contrast, is faith looking ahead to the fulfillment of the promises of God. . . . Optimism is a wish without warrant; Christian hope is a certainty, guaranteed by God himself.

-J.I. Packer

I. The Permanent High Priest

II. The Perfect High Priest

Into the Bible

The animals presented for sacrifice under the old covenant had to be spotless, without blemish. How does this point forward to the ultimate sacrifice of Christ that seals the new covenant? 1John 3:5, Hebrews 4:15, 2 Corinthians 5:21 Why is it so important that Christ was sinless in his life on earth?

Christ's death was voluntary not deserved because of any sin on his part. His subsequent resurrection makes him the victor over sin and death. So, what does that mean for us? Romans 6:8-9, 1 Corinthians 15:20, John 3:36

Application

What is so important to us about Christ's ongoing and eternal role as the intercessor on our behalf? 1 Timothy 2:5, Psalm 103:13-14, 1 John 2:1, Romans 8:34

For Families

Talk with your children about what an advocate does and what it means to have Jesus as our advocate.