ICEBREAKER

Share about your favorite Bible character. Talk about things like, where they are found in scripture and how much they are talked about in the Bible.

CONTEXT

In this passage, the author continues the illustration that Jesus is greater than the priestly line the Jewish people looked to for leadership and to complete sacrifices. He does this by explaining the fulfilled prophecy regarding the line of Melchizedek.

READ

Hebrews 7:1-28

DISCUSS

What are the differences between the Levitical priesthood, the priesthood of Melchizedek, and the priesthood of Jesus?

Why are these distinctions important to us today?

DISCUSS CONTINUED

How does Jesus' continual intercession for you help you to hold firmly to your faith and persevere in the race (vs. 25)?

What stands out to you in verses 26-28?

How often do people misuse words like perfect and forever? Discuss how the usage of these words in chapter 7 are not exaggerations and what that means for us both now and eternally.

NEXT STEPS

This new priesthood of Jesus is no longer based on outward ceremonies, observances, or works but rather the finished work of Christ. Jesus has done what the old priesthood could never do on its own. He has given us access to God.

What are you tempted to turn to for your sense of worth and value?

How does Jesus being our great High Priest challenge this?

