



Review - Exhortation

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 4:1** Therefore, let us fear lest, while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you should seem to have come short of it. ² For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also; but the word they heard did not profit them, because it was not united by faith in those who heard.
- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 4:11** Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall through following the same example of disobedience. ¹² For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.



Review – Encouragement

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 4:14** Since therefore we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and may find grace to help in time of need.



Say What?

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:1** For every high priest taken from among men is appointed on behalf of men in things pertaining to God, in order to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins;
 - men (*anthropos*), i.e., mankind, human beings
- Is there a high priest whose origin was *not* from among human beings?



Jesus vs Aaron - Origin

- Aaron = regular man
 - ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:1** For every high priest taken from among men ...
- Jesus = God-man
 - ^{NIV} **Hebrews 2:14** Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity ... ¹⁷ For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God
 - ^{NAS} **Hebrews 1:1** God... ² in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world. ³ And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. ... ⁸ But of the Son He says, “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, And the righteous scepter is the scepter of His kingdom.



Jesus vs Aaron - Nature

- Aaron = weak and sinful
 - ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:1** For every high priest taken from among men ...² ... can deal gently with the ignorant and misguided, since he himself also is beset with weakness;³ and because of it he is obligated to offer sacrifices for sins, as for the people, so also for himself.
- Jesus = victorious and sinless
 - ^{NAS} **Hebrews 4:15** For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.
 - ^{NIV} **2 Corinthians 5:21** God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.



Jesus vs Aaron - Calling

- Aaron = temporary, first of many of Levitical order
 - ^{NIV} **Hebrews 5:4** No one takes this honor upon himself; he must be called by God, just as Aaron was.
 - ^{NAS} **Exodus 28:1** "Then bring near to yourself Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, from among the sons of Israel, to minister as priest to Me-- Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.
- Jesus = eternal, first and only of Melchizedek order
 - ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:5** So also Christ did not glorify Himself so as to become a high priest, but He who said to Him, "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You"; ⁶ just as He says also in another passage, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."
 - *Psalm 2:7; 110:4*



Aside - Melchizedek

- ^{NAS} **Genesis 14:17** Then after his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). ¹⁸ And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; now he was a priest of God Most High. ¹⁹ And he blessed him and said, "Blessed be Abram of God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth;
- OT → (2x) Genesis 14:17, Psalm 110:4
- NT → (8x) Hebrews 5:6,10; 6:20; 7:1,10,11,15,17



Jesus, Magnified by God

- Declared to be Son
 - ^{ESV} **Hebrews 1:5** For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"?"
 - *Psalm 2:7, 1 Chronicles 17:13, 22:10, Psalm 89:26-27*
- Exalted
 - ^{ESV} **Hebrews 1:13** And to which of the angels has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"?"
 - *Psalm 110:1, 132:18*
- Declared to be High Priest Forever
 - ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:6** just as He says also in another passage, "Thou art a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."
 - *Psalm 110:4*



Jesus – The Suffering Priest

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:1** For every high priest taken from among men is appointed on behalf of men in things pertaining to God, in order to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins;...⁷ In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His piety. ⁸ Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered.
- ^{NAS} **John 11:35** Jesus wept.
- ^{ESV} **John 17:1** When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you,



- **ESV Luke 22:42** saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." ... ⁴⁴ And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.
- **ESV Matthew 27:46** And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
- **ESV Matthew 27:50** And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.
- **ESV Isaiah 53:3** He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not ... ¹¹ Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.



Jesus – The Victorious Priest

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:9** And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation, ¹⁰ being designated by God as a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.
- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 2:10** For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author [captain] of their salvation through sufferings.
- ^{NAS} **Romans 1:1** Paul, ...set apart for the gospel of God, ² which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures, ³ concerning His Son, who was born of a descendant of David according to the flesh, ⁴ who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord,

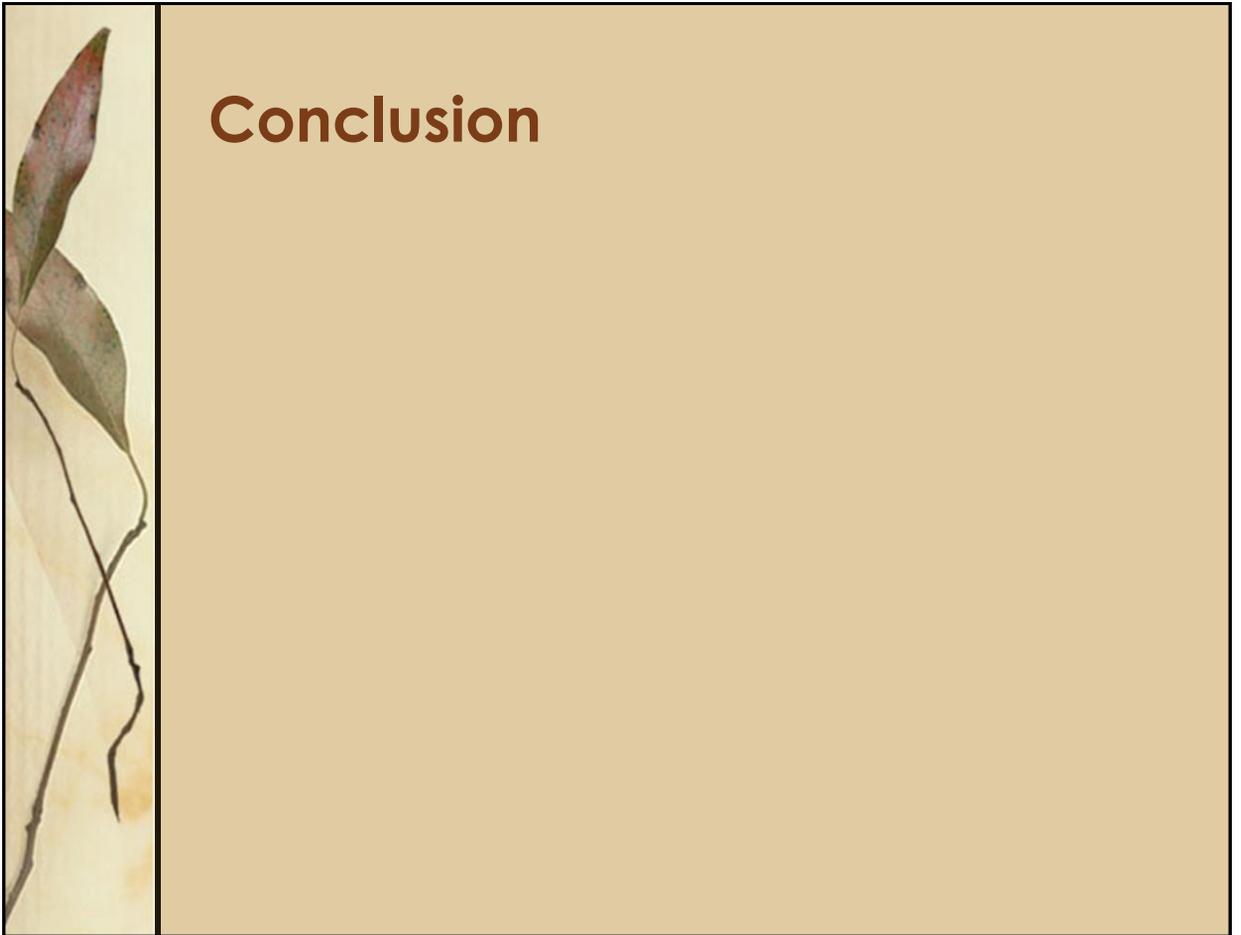


- ^{NAS} **Daniel 9:24** "Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most holy place.
- ^{NIV} **Luke 13:32** He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will drive out demons and heal people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.'
- ^{NAS} **John 19:30** When Jesus therefore had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head, and gave up His spirit.



Jesus – Source of Eternal Salvation

- ^{NAS} **Acts 4:12** "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved."
- ^{NAS} **2 Thessalonians 2:16** Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal comfort and good hope by grace,
- ^{ESV} **2 Timothy 2:10** Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.
- ^{ESV} **1 John 5:20** And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.



Conclusion



Source of Eternal Salvation

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 5:7** In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His piety. ⁸ Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered. ⁹ And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation,



Promises Fulfilled

- ^{NAS} **Micah 7:7** But as for me, I will watch expectantly for the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation. My God will hear me. ⁸ Though I fall I will rise; Though I dwell in darkness, the LORD is a light for me. ⁹ I will bear the indignation of the LORD Because I have sinned against Him, Until He pleads my case and executes justice for me. He will bring me out to the light, And I will see His righteousness.... ¹⁸ Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. ¹⁹ You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. ²⁰ You will be true to Jacob, and show mercy to Abraham, as you pledged on oath to our fathers in days long ago.



Come to Jesus

- ^{NAS} **Hebrews 4:15** For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and may find grace to help in time of need.
- ^{NAS} **John 7:37** ... Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. ³⁸ "He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.'" ³⁹ But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive