

Sermon Notes

Providence Community Church

2-16-20 Ken Carlton

Title: MELCHIZEDEK'S LEGACY

Main Texts: Hebrews 7

--worship text: Psalm 110--

Aim: TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF GEN 14 GIVEN FURTHER REFERENCE IN SCRIPTURE...

Sermon Description: Today's message joins several others we have on record lately which demonstrate the signal implications of Genesis events in the arc of redemptive history. From the vantage point of later revelation, an apparent footnote may prove to be a beacon of Gospel reality. This is certainly the case in Genesis 12 where Abram first receives covenant hope via divine word. Thus, we witnessed other authors visiting Abram's altar -so to speak- including the prophet Isaiah (Is 51:1-6) and the author of Hebrews in chapter 11. Today we consider a figure greater than Abraham, albeit more mysterious. Melchizedek commands a unique role in scripture.

- He appears as a historical type in Gen 14.
- He appears as a prophetic hope in Ps 110 and Zech 6:11-14,
- He appears in substance in the incarnate Christ (Mat 2:1-2, 26:6-29).
- Finally: his persona is expounded in Hebrews, especially in chapter 7.

The first mention of Melchizedek in Hebrews appears in Chapter 5:6-10, however, the author interrupts his own train of thought regarding his legacy by interjecting words of exhortation demonstrating the eminent importance of this typology. (5:11) ...about this he has much to say but it is hard to explain to those who have become dull of hearing. Lord grant us ears to hear Your word of messianic fulfillment and hope!

Heading: WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT MELCHIZEDEK?...

1. MELCHIZEDEK RESEMBLES JESUS (Hebrews 7:1-3)

- a. In office
- b. In character (Jer 23:5-6, 33:16, Is 9:6)
- c. In origin & lineage

2. HIS LEGACY IS GREATER THAN THE PATRIARCHS (4-17)

- a. Abraham's tithe
- b. Levi's tithe
- c. A greater claim (Lev 10:1-3, I Sam 2:22-25, 4:10-11)

3. HIS PRIESTLY ORDER IS SUPERIOR TO AARON'S (18-28)

- a. A better hope
- b. A permanent priesthood
- c. A sufficient sacrifice

FAMILY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Theme: Like Jesus	Theme: better than patriarchs	Theme: better hope	Theme: better priesthood	Theme: better sacrifice	Theme: Next Week
Verses: Heb 7:1-3	Verses: 4-17	Verses: 18-22	Verses: 23-25	Verses: 26-28	Verses: Gen 15