HEBREWS, CHAPTER 7 VARIOUS PRIESTHOODS

The following exercise introduces us to various priesthoods that are mentioned in the scriptures. On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following questions. (This worksheet is based on the NKJV.)

<u>Hebrews 7:1 - 3</u>

- 1. From verse one, what are four distinct characteristics concerning Melchizedek?
- 2. According to verse one, what two offices did Melchizedek occupy?
- 3. What was Abraham's response to Melchizedek?
- 4. Melchizedek is the king of three things. What are they?
- 5. According to verse three, what do the Son of God and Melchizedek have in common?
- 6. Genesis 14:13 20 corresponds with Hebrews 7. From Genesis:
 - a. What did Melchizedek meet Abraham with?
 - b. When Melchizedek blessed Abraham, what exactly did he say?
 - c. Hebrews 7:2 tells us that Abraham gave Melchizedek "a tenth" of all." What word does Genesis use instead of "a tenth" in Genesis 14:20?
 - d. Hebrews 7:1 tells us that Abraham was "returning from the slaughter of the kings." According to Genesis 14:14, what precipitated this slaughter? Through whom was the slaughter accomplished?

Hebrews 7:4 – 10

- 1. What word is used to describe Melchizedek? (verse 4)
- 2. What title is used of Abraham?
- 3. What does "the spoils" mean?
- 4. Who is ordained, under the law, to receive the tithes? (verse 5)
- 5. The "sons of Levi" are collectively called what?
- 6. From whose loins did the sons of Levi precede from?
- 7. To whom does verse six refer?
- 8. To whom does "the lesser" and "the greater" refer? (verse 7)
- 9. Who are the two persons that receive tithes? (verse 8)
- 10. Levi, who receives the tithe, also paid the tithe to Melchizedek. How is this possible since Levi was not yet born when Melchizedek met Abraham?

And then:

• If you have a set of colored highlighter markers or colored pencils, color code each of the times that the following words or phrases appear. (I would recommend making a copy of the text, Hebrews Chapter 7, rather than marking in your Bible.)

Melchizedek

Abraham

a "tenth" or "tithe"

priest of priesthood

- In verses 11 15, underline these words: "another" and "change."
- Now, circle each time that these words occur: forever, continually, endless life, He always lives.

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