

Hebrews 5:5-10. June 14, 2020

5. So also Christ didn't glorify himself to be made a high priest, but it was he who said to him, "You are my Son. Today I have become your father." 6. As he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

"So also Christ didn't glorify himself to be made a high priest, but it was he who said to him, 'You are my Son. Today I have become your father'"

It appears the author is interested in showing Jewish Christians that Jesus and the new covenant are superior to Moses and the old covenant.

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?

He uses the title Christ or Messiah instead of Jesus' name, and he notes that:

- Christ didn't glorify himself to be a high priest.
- God said to Christ, "You are my Son. Today I have become your father" which was something that God never said to Aaron or Aaron's descendants.

WILL ONE OF YOU READ...(Psalm 2:7). WHAT DO YOU SEE THAT PARALLELS OR POSSIBLY CONTRADICTS JESUS?

"As he says also in another place, 'You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek'"

This quotation "after the order of Melchizedek" comes from Psalm 110:4. CHECK THESE OUT...

- Jesus referenced being messianic in Matthew 22:44
- Peter did the same in his Pentecostal sermon at Acts 2:34
- The author of Hebrews did so at Hebrews 1:13

(Genesis 14:14-17). Then:

"Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine: and he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him, and said, 'Blessed be Abram of God Most High, possessor of heaven and earth: and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand.' Abram gave him a tenth of all" (Genesis 14:18-20).

(7:18). The author says:

"Jesus has become the collateral of a better covenant. Many, indeed, have been made priests, because they are hindered from continuing by death. But, because he lives forever, has his priesthood unchangeable. Therefore he is also able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, seeing that he lives forever to make intercession for them" (7:22-25)

7. *He, in the days of his flesh, having offered up prayers and petitions with strong crying and tears to him who was able to save him from death, and having been heard for his godly fear,* 8. *though he was a Son, yet learned obedience by the things which he suffered.* 9. *Having been made perfect, he became to all of those who obey him the author of eternal salvation.* 10. *Named by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.*

“He, in the days of his flesh”

With these words, the author reminds us that Jesus was a flesh-and-blood historical figure.

“having offered up prayers and petitions with strong crying and tears to him who was able to save him from death, and having been heard for his godly fear”.

Let’s have some reading of these verses from your Bible (Luke 22:42-43; Matthew 26:38-39; Mark 14:34-36).

“though he was a Son, yet learned obedience by the things which he suffered”

I am surprised to see that Jesus “learned obedience.” I believe I thought he was pretty obedient.

What examples do you remember when Jesus wasn’t obedient?

So remember that from the beginning, Jesus had to grow in four ways—1. understanding
2. physique 3. spiritually and 4. socially.

“Having been made perfect, he became to all of those who obey him the author of eternal salvation”

Jesus “emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, yes, the death of the cross” (Philippians 2:7-8).

“named by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek”

See the comments on verse 6 above.

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine on you;
the Lord and be gracious to you
and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26