Jesus: God's Final Word Christ is Able

Hebrews 5:1-10

"For" Jesus and the Throne of Grace
Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace , that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:16)
We have a Savior who truly!
He knows the force of
He understands the struggle of
He has experienced the deepest of
But unlike a parent, teacher, mentor, coach, or friend, he is to defeat temptation, overcome our limitations, and endure and even profit from our pains!
He is our "great high priest"! So,!
Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. (Hebrews 4:14)
The Value of Spiritual Leaders:
We need men to help us in our with God.
(Though we no longer require anyone to offer sacrifices for us, we still need to be regularly taught the and of the Gospel, including the ultimate sacrifice of Christ!)
We need leaders who us because they're us and who us because they us.
We need leaders who understand the desires and temptations that lead to as those who against it; not as those who are continually by it.
We need leaders who see their ministry as and not and who are totally on God for what they do.
But even the best spiritual leaders today and in history can only do so much
The All-Surpassing Worth of Christ:
God chose Christ to BE the Good News he proclaimed! He doesn't TELL us the way. He IS the Way!
Unlike the high priests of the Old Covenant (whose office was necessarily separated from the office of king) Jesus and, like the priest/king Melchizedek who foreshadows him in Genesis
And Jesus, far better and more perfectly than the best of men, us and our need, and he us!
Who better understands your tears?
Who better understands your weaknesses?
Who better understands the pressure of temptation?
Who better understands the power of God to meet your every need?
Who is better than Jesus?
And Jesus, who alone is, alone has the ability to
My response today: him! Dr. Paul Thompson

Second Sunday Night Prayer Service

July 11 | 6:00 pm | Sanctuary

We will have an ordination and recognition service for our deacons.

English as A Second Language

Begins August 11 | 6:00 pm | Room 003 below the Sanctuary

Calvary's ESL class meets every Wednesday night and has experienced teachers who teach 3 different levels of classes: beginner, intermediate, and advanced. There is no cost for the class and childcare is available. Plesae share this information with anyone you know who might be interested. For more information, contact Louise Garrett, 334.333.2327.

Midweek Schedule

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5:30 pm Midweek Meal, Fellowship Center

6:00 pm Midweek Worship, Sanctuary

Preschool, Birth-K5, Preschool Building

Children, Grades 1-5, ROC

Students, Grades 6-12, Student Room

Dinner with the Pastor

Tuesday, August 10 | 6:15 pm | Parlor

Membership Matters

Sunday, August 22 | 8:30 am | Office Conference Room

If you are considering membership at Calvary, please join us for Dinner with the Pastor and the Membership Matters class. Contact Angie Tice in the church office or email angie@calvarydothan to RSVP for the dinner and childcare. Childcare will be provided for 6-week-olds through 5th grade.

Calvary Kids Summer Activities

Shipwreck Island Day Trip | July 21 | \$36 per person

We will go to Shipwreck Island for the day in Panama City Beach, Florida. We will leave the ROC at 8:30AM and return around 7:00PM.

Things you'll need:

Money for (1) meal; other food and drink

Swimsuit and change of clothes

Register by texting "Shipwreck Trip" to 334.733.6326

Deadline to sign up is Monday, July 19.

Calvary Kids Volunteer Opportunities

LOOKIN' FOR A GREAT PLACE to serve and make a huge impact? Calvary Kids will have several great opportunities available beginning this August to join our team as we share and demonstrate the love of Christ to early elementary and preteen boys and girls. Interested? Get the conversation started today by texting "Calvary Kids" to 334.733.6326 or email Zach, zach@calvarydothan.com.

Calvary Student Activities

July 22: Six Flags Day Trip

July 26-30: Mission Week

July 31: Canoe Trip

Calvary Baptist Church

July 11, 2021

Event details will be announced via text message and social media. Text @csm901 to 81010 to receive updates from Calvary Student Ministry.

Anticipating a Better King

As the most quoted psalm in the New Testament, Psalm 110 deserves careful attention in order to appreciate Christ's execution of the offices of king and priest. King David writes this psalm for a future king, perhaps Solomon prior to his ascension to the throne in 971 BC, or for a future messianic figure who descends from his line.

The psalm begins by declaring that this future king will be given a greater honor, power, and authority than any human king before him: he sits at Yahweh's right hand, the place of highest honor as Yahweh's vice-regent and representative (110:1). As such, he derives his authority from Yahweh and exercises Yahweh's own royal rule, resulting in the subjection of the king's enemies (110:2), as well as protection for the king's realm and his people (110:3).

But this messianic figure isn't only a king—he's also a priest in the order of Melchizedek (110:4). In one sense, this is nothing new. Davidic kings undertook "priestly" functions such as leading worship, guiding in corporate prayer, and offering sacrifices on special occasions outside of the Levitical tradition.

Yet, this verse further develops the priestly functions of the Davidic dynasty into a full-blown connection to the dynastic line of Jebusite king-priests who once ruled from Jerusalem. As a result, the Davidic dynasty can claim divine support for their rule over the Promised Land, a fulfillment of Abraham's blessing from Melchizedek in Genesis 14:18–20.

Verses 5–6 parallel verses 2–3 in Yahweh's relationship with the Davidic king. Notably, whereas the king sits at Yahweh's right hand in verse 1, Yahweh stands by the king in verse 5, noting divine protection and support. And whereas verses 2–3 portray the king as the protagonist in battle, verses 5–7 portrays Yahweh as the protagonist, or the Divine Warrior, who helps the king defeat his enemies on individual, corporate, and cosmic levels ("among the nations," "over the wide earth," and so on).

This greatly expands upon the original Israelite domain, indicating that these enemy kings represent the cosmic powers of chaos that Yahweh defeats through his ultimate Melchizedekian Priest-King on behalf of Israel and all the other nations. In other words, the application of Yahweh's salvation extends beyond that of individual souls to physical bodies, corporate systems, and cosmic powers.

Finally, the psalm ends with Yahweh refreshing himself from a brook (110:7). Though this verse initially may seem odd, it portrays Yahweh as one who sympathizes with the human condition.

In the New Testament, the writer of Hebrews raises Melchizedek's profile to a pre-incarnate Christ-figure. Melchizedek is eternal, having no "father or mother" and "resembling the Son of God he continues a priest forever" (Heb. 7:3). Abraham's tithe to Melchizedek also confirms his greatness (Heb. 7:4).

Following Melchizedek, Jesus is the true king of righteousness ("Melchizedek") who lived the perfect life no human being could. Jesus is also the true king of peace (Salem) who came to earth to bring peace through his sacrificial death and resurrection. Jesus is also "a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek" (Heb. 7:17) and not through Levitical lineage (Heb. 7:14), making his priesthood superior (Heb. 7:11).

As a result, "This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant" (Heb. 7:22). Because "he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever" (Heb. 7:24), "he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them" (Heb. 7:25).

Thus, believers can rest knowing that Jesus is the perfect King who rules with infinite power and justice. Believers are also comforted knowing Jesus is the perfect Priest who ministers with infinite mercy and sympathizes with us in our weaknesses (Heb. 4:15).

As a result of our union with Christ, believers are reminded of our Melchizedekian calling to expand his kingdom through truth and justice as members of God's royal family and to be a channel of mercy and healing to the covenant community, as well as to the rest of the world.

-Moses Y. Lee (MDiv, ThM) thegospelcoalition.org-

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My Decision Today:
☐ I trusted Jesus as Savior.
I'd like to join Calvary Baptis Church.
☐ I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.
☐ Please have a pastor or elde contact me.
If you would like to speak with someone about one of the item noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.
PRAYER REQUESTS:
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July 11, 2021

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THE PEOPLE CAME...

July 4

Life Groups: 309 10:00 Worship: 384 Hispanic Church: 84

THE PEOPLE GAVE... General Fund

Given July 4: \$43,728 Jan.-May Budget Surplus (Deficit): (\$25,407.64)

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday, July 11: Dt 4, Ps 86-87, Is 32, Rev 2 Monday, July 12: Dt 5, Ps 88, Is 33, Rev 3 Tuesday, July 13: Dt 6, Ps 89, Is 34, Rev 4 Wednesday, July 14: Dt 7, Ps 90, Is 35, Rev 5 Thursday, July 15: Dt 8, Ps 91, Is 36, Rev 6 Friday, July 16: Dt 9, Ps 92-93, Is 37, Rev 7 Saturday, July 17:

STAFF ON CALL Sunday, July 11: Reagan Farris | 504-319-6986 Saturday, July 17: Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791 Sunday, July 18:

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SERMON SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 18 | 10:00 am

Jesus: God's Final Word The Hope for Stagnant, Superficial Faith

Hebrews 5:11-14

Message by Paul Thompson

Sunday, July 25 | 10:00 am

Jesus: God's Final Word What God Will Not Permit

Hebrews 6:1-12

Message by Paul Thompson

No Midweek Worship in July

Midweek Schedule

Dt 10, Ps 94, Is 38, Rev 8

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Children, Grades 1-5, ROC

Students, Grades 6-12, Student Room

Sunday Morning Schedule

Call to Prayer, Sanctuary 8:00 am

Life Group 8:30 am

Worship, Fellowship Center 10:00 am

Live Stream on Facebook &

YouTube

Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5, Chapel (except 1st Sunday)

Worship Broadcast on JoyFM 11:00 am 94.3/96.1 with a 1 wk delay.

4 Ways to Give

- Give online by using the MobileMission app for Apple or Android or go to calvarydothan.com/GiveOnline.
- On Sundays, drop in the offering plate or in the collection boxes near the Fellowship Center exit doors
- Mail to 901 Montezuma Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303
- Bring to the church office, M-F, 8am-12noon & 1-4:30pm

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Hebrews 4:14



