

\*Preceding verse (Heb 6:20): “*And being made perfect, [the Son] became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him, being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.*”

**7:1–10 Melchizedek’s priesthood is better than Aaron’s (Levitical priesthood).** (feat: Gen 14)

As Scripture testifies, Melchizedek’s priesthood prefigures God’s Son’s priesthood in Melchizedek’s:

- *recorded* office as priest-king of Salem (7:1–2)
- *lack of recorded* lineage or birth/death (7:3)
- *recorded* superiority to Abraham and thus all Abraham’s descendants (7:4–10)

*\*\*God ordained events relating to Melchizedek and their narration in Scripture to point forward to the Son of God’s priesthood and the superiority of Melchizedek’s priestly order over the Levitical order.*

**7:11–28 Jesus’s priesthood after the order of Melchizedek is (even) better than the Levitical priesthood and, setting aside the Levitical order, introduces a better hope for those who draw near to God through the Son.** (feat: Psalm 110)

As Scripture testifies, the God-appointed Son has been made perfect forever as high priest after the order of Melchizedek—*whose priesthood helps show the superiority of Jesus’s high priesthood to the Levitical high priests in terms of Jesus’s:*

- perfecting capability (7:11, 18–19)
- prerequisite for office (7:12–17)
- appointment (7:20–22)
- permanence (7:23–25)
- perfection (7:26–28)—

**So, embrace this better hope by confidently drawing near to God through Jesus!**

Unifying Theme of Hebrews 7

**As Scripture testifies, the God-appointed Son has been made perfect forever as high priest after the order of Melchizedek**—*whose priesthood prefigures God’s Son’s priesthood in Melchizedek’s office of priest-king, lack of recorded beginning or end, and superiority to Abraham and helps show the superiority of Jesus’s high priesthood to the Levitical high priests in terms of his perfecting capability, prerequisite for office, appointment, permanence and perfection—so, embrace this better hope by confidently drawing near to God through Jesus!*