

Hebrews 8 Outline

1A Summary of teaching on Melchizedek, vv.1-2:

1B The person and place of the priest, 1: Now the crowning point on these sayings: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens,

2B The true tabernacle, 2: a servant of the Holy Place, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.

2A The offerings of the high priests, 3: For every high priest is appointed for the offering of gifts and sacrifices; from which it is necessary also for this One to have something which He might offer.

3A The earthly priests, vv.4-5:

1B The constant presence of levitical priests and their offerings, 4: For if on the one hand He were upon the earth, He would not be a priest, since there are always priests who offer the gifts according to the Law,

2B The pattern of Moses, 5: who serve the copy and shadow of the heavenly things, just as Moses received revelation when he was about to finish the tabernacle, for He spoke, "See that you make all things according to the pattern shown to you on the mountain."

4A The trifold superiority of the High Priest Jesus Christ, 6: But now He has attained a superior ministry, as much as also He is the mediator of a better covenant, which was ordained on better promises.

5A The failure of the first covenant, 7: For if that first one was blameless, there would not have been sought a place for the second.

6A The declaration of the new covenant as signaling the failure of the old, vv.8-9:

1B The failure of the people, 8: For while blaming them He says, "Look, days are coming, says the Lord, and I will enact a new covenant upon the house of Israel and upon the house of Judah.

2B The new covenant is not on the pattern of the old, 9: Not according to the covenant which I made with their fathers in the day of My taking them by their hand to lead them out from the land of Egypt; Because they did not remain in My covenant, and I disregarded them, says the Lord.

7A The nature of the coming covenant, vv.10-12:

1B The timing, 10a: For this is the covenant which I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord,

2B The law in the heart, 10b: giving My laws into their understanding, and I will write them on their hearts;

3B Mutual belonging, 10c: and I will be God to them, and they will be people to me.

- 4B Universal knowledge, 11:** And certainly no one will teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, "Know the Lord," Because all will know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them.
- 5B Foundational forgiveness, 12:** Because I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawlessnesses I will remember no more.
- 8A The implication of the new covenant, 13:** Insofar as to say, "New," He has made obsolete the first. And what is becoming obsolete and old is near vanishing.