

BOOK OF HEBREWS SUMMATION REGARDING THE OLD & NEW COVENANTS

Hebrews 5:6 “Thou art a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek” shows that it was always in God’s plan to replace:

1. The Old Covenant {the Law was *added*...430 years later...until the seed, Gal. 3:19} Hence, the Law was neither God’s first nor His last program.
2. Aaron’s priesthood {cp. Heb. 7:12

That is, the Old system pronounced its own termination – by speaking of another (Psa. 110:4, Heb. 5:6 etc.)

Jesus’ priesthood (order of Melchizedek) is superior to Aaron’s:

1. Better **Order** – Hebrews Chapter 7
 2. It is ministered under a better **Covenant** – Hebrews Chapter 8
 3. It has a better **Sanctuary** – Hebrews Chapter 9
 4. Because the **Sacrifice** is a better one – Hebrews Chapter 10
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The Old Covenant Priesthood was hopelessly *insufficient!*

1. the High Priest (a.) is a sinner, (c.) he dies, (b.) position is based on nepotism
2. the Offering – a goat, if he could really take away my sins, why do I have to do this again every year?
3. the Visit – some visit – I only get to go before the Lord in the person of someone else – the high priest – and then only one day a year: it just leaves me with a bad conscience – Insufficient!
4. the Tent – I know God doesn’t really live in a tent (heaven is my throne, the earth is my footstool - Isa. 66:1)

7:24 But this *man*, because he continueth forever, has an unchangeable priesthood.

7:25 Wherefore, he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come to God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them (do you believe He fails at this?)

The Book of Hebrews asks: “So why would anyone turn back from such a High Priest and return to the old Aaronic priesthood Temple system?”