

## Hebrews 7:1-28

### Understanding the OT helps us to value and adore Jesus as our Great High Priest

#### 1. Understanding the greatness of Melchizedek, the King-Priest 1-10

- He had no beginning or end
- He was greater than Abraham

#### 2. Understanding the inadequacy of the OT priesthood (11-22)

- Because of its inadequacy. (11-14, 23, 27-8)
- Because God had promised a better priest in Psalm 110 (v. 17)

#### 3. Understanding the greatness of Jesus: our Great High Priest (23-28)

1. A better hope: drawing near to God through Jesus (18,25)
2. A better covenant – through Jesus and God's oath (22)
3. A complete salvation - through Jesus' priestly work for us (25-28)
  - His once for all sacrifice
  - His perpetual intercession

For tables giving comparisons between Melchizedek, the Levitical priesthood and Jesus, see:  
[http://www.eden-cambridge.org/sermons/notes/Hebrews\\_7\\_tables.pdf](http://www.eden-cambridge.org/sermons/notes/Hebrews_7_tables.pdf)