

We Can Draw Near > Hebrews 7:11-28

7:11-14 *A different kind of priest.* The law cannot and will not make any of us perfect, therefore we need a different kind of law to save us, and that requires a different kind of priest.

7:15-19 *Christ's priesthood.* In every way, the priesthood of Jesus is greater than that of Aaron and his descendants. It is different because of who Jesus is and what he has done, and this difference gives us a better hope so that we can draw near to God.

7:20-28 *Why Jesus is better.* Christ's priesthood is better because it is secured by an oath from God, because Jesus has conquered death, and because our Lord is both fully man and fully God – like us, yet not like us, in every way that matters.

Background: Earlier in **Hebrews 7**, Melchizedek was introduced. His combination of being a king and priest showed us that there can be a different kind of priesthood.

The Point: Keeping the law, trying to be a “good person” – these things can't save and never have. The good news is that Jesus can and does save: he is the perfect priest we need.

Head: Know that Christ's priesthood is not just different, but better.

Heart: Believe that you cannot save yourself, but that Jesus can, and that his priesthood is for you if you'll trust him.

Hands: How will you show dependance upon – and rest in – Jesus this week? How will you live with him as your priest?

Here is how I will apply these truths: _____
