Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, December 8, 2019

Scripture: Hebrews 7:1-10



THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Jesus is a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek and is, therefore, greater than Abraham and the Levitical order because he is uniquely qualified to grant us peace with eternal God.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION (Use along with **Reading: Ante Faciem Dei**)

- Who is Melchizedek? What two normally separate roles/offices did he possess? What was his connection with the Jewish patriarch Abraham (Genesis 14:18-20)? What is significant about the fact that Melchizedek blessed Abraham and Abraham tithed a portion of his possessions to Melchizedek?
- What was the purpose of the God-ordained office of priest? Why was lineage (familial ancestry) particularly important for the Old Testament priesthood? How is Melchizedek's priestly divine calling different from the generational Levitical order?
- Explain how Melchizedek's priesthood superior in every way to the Levitical priesthood?
- How does Melchizedek "resemble the Son of God"? How is Melchizedek a "type" or "foreshadow" of the still greater Priest and King, Jesus Christ (Psalm 110)?
- When you struggle with confusion, uncertainty, anxiety, fear, or pain where do you tend to turn for answers?
- How has our Great High Priest and King Jesus Christ granted us righteousness and eternal peace with a holy God (Romans 5:1)?