

Outline - Sunday, January 5, 2014

Sermon Title: The Better Things of Christ Scripture Reading: HEBREWS 8:1-19

The principle issues under consideration are:

1. The Superlative nature of Christ's ministry: vs 1-2

God's High Priest!—Heb 4:16 Kraton "Better" Might—Heb 7:16

a. Powerful—Heb 7:26c

b. Perfect—Heb 7:26b

c. Permanent-Heb 7:28

For us—Heb 7:26a

2. This is a *heavenly ministry* of eternal significance: vs 2-5

True Vine, Light, Bread, Witness, Truth of God, and Eternal Life, True Man, True Mediator, True Temple, God Ordained

First things, type vs reality—vs 3-5

3. The connection between the High Priest and the Temple: vs 6-8

- a. Law/Covenant (Moses)
- b. Priesthood (Aaron)
- c. Temple/Tabernacle

How important is the priesthood to the tabernacle/temple? Aaron first, the Temple second.

The Mediator is critical to the security of the people of God. Zech 3:1-10/Ezra 3:1-10/John 2:13-21

4. A better priesthood, covenant—that is the gospel: vs 10-12

By this covenant men are actually coming to God. 1 Pet 3:18/Heb 9:13-14; 10:19-22, (23); 13:20

5. The End of the Old means an end to the whole old system: vs 13

- a. End of the priesthood—Heb 7:11
- b. End of the Covenant—Heb 8:7-8
- c. End of the Temple—Mt 24:1-4; 2 Cor 5:17

The Church is the temple with a New covenant and a New Mediator, waiting while serving for the glorification of itself with Christ.