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The Bridge Bible Fellowship

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Selected Scriptures

“Jesus Christ: Our Prophet, Priest, and King – Part 2”

Mediator = stands in the middle; reconciles; resolves a dispute; peacemaker

Prophet = represent God to man

Priest = represent man to God

King = rule over man for God

I. The Prophetic Office

II. The Priestly Office

A. What does a Priest do?

B. Why do we need a Priest?

C. How does Jesus fulfill the Office of a Priest?

So what?

Discussion & Application:

1. In Genesis 2:16-17, God told Adam that if he ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil he would die that day. Why didn't Adam & Eve physically die on the day they ate from it? How did the coming Messiah (Christ – Gen. 3:15) protect mankind from annihilation? See Romans 3:19-26.
2. What is a Mediator? Why does 1 Tim. 2:5 say that there is **only one mediator** between God and men, the man Christ Jesus? Why can't others ultimately mediate between men and God?
3. What did you do this past week to listen more attentively to Jesus as your ultimate Prophet? What will you do this week?
4. In the Old Testament, what kind of sacrifices did the priests offer? See Leviticus 1-5; 16; 23. How often did they offer sacrifices? Why did they need to keep offering sacrifices? See Heb. 10:1-4.
5. What other primary functions did the priests have in Israel? See 1 Sam. 12:23.
6. Why do we need a priest? Why can't we represent ourselves before God?
7. How many Old Testament passages can you think of that speak of the Messiah (Christ) being a Priest? See Ps. 110:1-4; Zech. 6:13 to get started. How many New Testament passages can you think of that speak of the Messiah (Christ) being a Priest? See Heb. 3:1; 4:14; 5:5; 6:20; 7:26; 8:1 to get started.
8. What makes the priesthood of Jesus unique? What qualifies Him to be our final High Priest? What implications does this have for religions today where people have to go through priests to get to God?
9. How did Jesus represent us as our Priest in His first coming?
10. Since the sacrifice of Jesus Christ was once-for-all (Heb. 10), how specifically does He represent us as our Priest before the Father right now? See 1 John 2:1-2; Rom. 8:33-34 cf. Rev. 12:10; Jn. 17:17; Heb. 2:18; 4:15; Lk. 22:31-32; 1 Pet. 2:5; Jn. 17:24.
11. What implications does the Priesthood of Jesus have for our feelings of guilt or shame before God?
12. How should the Priesthood of Jesus impact your confidence in facing death?
13. Take some time to thank the Lord Jesus for His Priestly Office. Thank Him for His sinless life, for His perfect sacrifice, for His constant intercession for current and future believers, for being sympathetic toward your weaknesses, for enabling you to persevere, for being your Advocate, and for opening the door wide so you can come through Him into God's presence with confidence at any time to find mercy and grace to help in time of need (Heb. 4:15-16).
14. Memorize Mark 10:45. Meditate on the true meaning of Christmas; why Jesus came. See also Heb. 9:26; 1 John 3:5, 8;