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Hebrews 7

Hebrews; The God Who Speaks
"Our Sure and Secure Hope"

INTRODUCTION

1. THE PERMANENCE OF OUR HOPE (7:1-10)
2. THE PERFECTION OF OUR HOPE (7:11-22)
3. THE PROPITIATION THAT DELIVERS HOPE (7:23-26)

For discussion in small groups and personal reflection:

1. What is hope?
2. What do you think about the quote of Emil Brunner; “What oxygen is to the lungs; such is hope to the meaning of life?”
3. What did Thomas Merton mean when he said, “To hope is to risk frustration. Therefore, make up your mind to risk frustration.”
4. Read 1 Peter 1:3-5. Comment of Peter’s description of hope as being a “living hope.” What do you think he meant?
5. Reread Hebrews 5:13-14. How does “constant use” of the scriptures having “trained ourselves” lend to building hope?
6. Jesus, being a High Priest according to the order of Melchizedek, means that His ministry is eternal. What difference does that make in securing hope?
7. What is meant by showing that Jesus is BOTH King and Priest?
8. What does it mean to say that Jesus’ ministry is perfect? How does this lead to a “better hope?”
9. Compare knowing “what to think” with learning “how to think.” What’s the difference? What does Hebrews 8:10 have to do with that? What dangers come from making Christianity only about what to think rather than learning how to think?