Welcome To Open Bible Hour Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!

Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-depth study of the book of Hebrews.

"MELCHIZEDEK – THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX"

Part 4

Heb. 7:23-25

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From the Exodus to the Babylonian Exile

- Aaron, during the Exodus from Egypt
- Eleazar, son of Aaron
- Phinehas, son of Eleazar
- Abishua, son of Phineas

According to the Samaritans, Shesha is incerted, said to be the son of Abishua and father to Bukki.

- Bukki, son of Abishua-ancestor of Ezra
- Uzzi, son of Bukki
- Eli, descendant of Itamar, son of Aaron [1]
- Ahitub, son of Phinehas and grandson of Eli
- Ahijah, son of Ahitub
- Ahimelech, son of Ahitub, High Priest during the reign of King Saul; killed at Nob by Doeg; part of the curse on the House of Eli that none of Eli's male descendants would live to old age was fulfilled with the death of Ahimelech.
- Abiathar, son of Ahimelech, High Priest during the reign of King David and the early years of Solomon, deposed (1 Ki 2:2-4). 5th Generation descendant of Eli; Deposed from office of High Priest which went to the house of
- Zadok after the Holy Spirit deserted Abiathar and without which the Urim and Thummin could not be consulted {Jewish Encyclopedia}; the other part of the Curse on the House of Eli - that the priesthood would pass out of his descendants - was fulfilled when Abiathar was deposed from the office of High Priest.

- Zadok, son of Ahitub (son of Amariah, son of Meraioth, son of Zerahiah, son of Uzzi 1 Chr 6:6-8) of the line of Eleazar, High Priest during the reign of King Solomon and the construction of the First Temple
- Ahimaaz, son of Zadok, High Priest during the reign of King Solomon
- Azariah, son of Ahimaaz (during Solomon's reign 1 Ki 4:2)
- Joash, son of Azariah
- Jehoiarib, son of Joash (1 Chr 9:10)
- Jehoshaphat, son of Jehoiarib
- Jehoiada, son of Jehosaphat (c. 842 820 BC 2 Ki 11:4)
- Pediah, son of Jehoiada
- Zedekiah, son of Pediah
- Azariah II, son of Zedekiah (c. 750 BC 2 Chr 26:17; seemingly conflated with Azariah I in 1 Chr 6:6-8)
- Jotham, son of Azariah
- Urijah, son of Jotham (c. 732 BC 2 Ki 16:10; *cf. Isaiah 8:2*)
- Azariah III, son of Johanan, son of Azariah II (c. 715 BC 1 Chr 6:9, 2 Chr 31:10)
- Hoshaiah, son of Azariah

- Shallum, son of Zadok, son (or probably grandson) of Ahitub, son of Amariah, son of Azariah III (c. 630—1 Chr 6:12, 2 Chr 34:22)
- Hilkiah, son of Shallum (c. 622 2 Ki 22:4)
- Azariah IV, son of Hilkiah (1 Chr 6:13)
- Jehozadak, son of Azariah IV (2 Ki 25:18)
- After the Babylonian Exile
- Joshua, son of Jehozadak, ca. 515-490 BC, after the restoration of the Temple
- Joiakim, son of Joshua, ca. 490-470 BC
- Eliashib, son of Joiakim, ca. 470-433 BC
- Joiada, son of Eliashib, ca. 433-410 BC {A son married a daughter of Sanballat the Horonite for which he was driven out of the Temple by Nehemiah}
- Johanan, son of Joiada, ca. 410-371 BC
- Jaddua, son of Johanan, ca. 371-320 BC, during the reign of Alexander the Great. Some have identified him as

- Onias I, son of Jaddua, ca. 320-280 BC
- Simon I, son of Onias, ca. 280-260 BC
- Eleazar, son of Onias, ca. 260-245 BC
- Manasseh, son of Jaddua, ca. 245-240 BC
- Onias II, son of Simon, ca. 240-218 BC
- Simon II, son of Onias, 218-185 BC
- Onias III, son of Simon, 185-175 BC, murdered 170 BC
- Jason, son of Simon 175-172 BC
- Menelaus 172-162 BC
- Onias IV, son of Onias III, fled to Egypt and built a Jewish Temple at Leontopolis (closed in AD 66)
- Alcimus 162-159 BC

Hasmonean dynasty

- Jonathan Apphus, 153-143 BC
- Simeon Tassi, brother of Jonathan Apphus, 142-134 BC
- John Hyrcanus I, son of Simeon Tassi 134-104 BC
- Aristobulus I, son of John Hyrcanus, 104-103 BC
- Alexander Jannaeus, son of John Hyrcanus, 103-76 BC
- John Hyrcanus II, son of Alexander Jannaeus, 76-66 BC
- Aristobulus II, son of Alexander Jannaeus, 66-63 BC
- John Hyrcanus II (restored) 63-40 BC
- Antigonus, son of Aristobulos II, 40-37 BC
- Aristobulus III 36 BC-last of the Hasmoneans; paternal grandson of Aristobulus II and brother of Herod's wife Mariamne (second wife of Herod).

High Priest under Herodians and Romans

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- Ananelus (restored) 36-30 BC
- Joshua ben Fabus 30-23 BC
- Simon ben Boethus his daughter Mariamne (third wife of Herod) married Herod the Great-the parents of Herod II was the first husband of Herodias,
- Matthias ben Theophilus 5-4 BC [4]
- Joazar ben Boethus 4 BC (Sadducee)
- Eleazar ben Boethus 4-3 BC (Sadducee)
- Joshua ben Sie 3 BC ?
- Joazar ben Boethus ? 6 AD (Sadducee)
- Ananus ben Seth 6-15
- Ishmael ben Fabus 15-16
- Eleazar ben Ananus 16-17
- Simon ben Camithus 17-18
- Joseph Caiaphas 18-36 Son-in-law of the high priest Ananas or Annas,

- Jonathan ben Ananus 36-37
- Theophilus ben Ananus 37-41
- Simon Cantatheras ben Boethus 41-43 (Sadducee)
- Matthias ben Ananus 43
- Elioneus ben Simon Cantatheras 43-44 (Sadducee)
- Jonathan ben Ananus 44 (restored)
- Josephus ben Camydus 44-46
- Ananias ben Nebedeus 46-52
- Jonathan 52-56
- Ishmael ben Fabus 56-62 (restored?)
- Joseph Cabi ben Simon 62-63
- Ananus ben Ananus 63
- Joshua ben Damneus 63
- Joshua ben Gamaliel 63-64-his wife Martha belonged to family of Boethus (Sadducee)
- Mattathias ben Theophilus 65-66
- **During the First Jewish-Roman War**
- Phannias ben Samuel 67-70

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3 Phases of Salvation

Justification

"I have been saved"

Saved from the penalty of sin.

Sanctification

"I am being saved"

Saved from the power of sin.

Glorification

"I shall be saved"

Saved from the presence of sin.

Phil 1:6

6 For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

Rom 8:30

30 and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.

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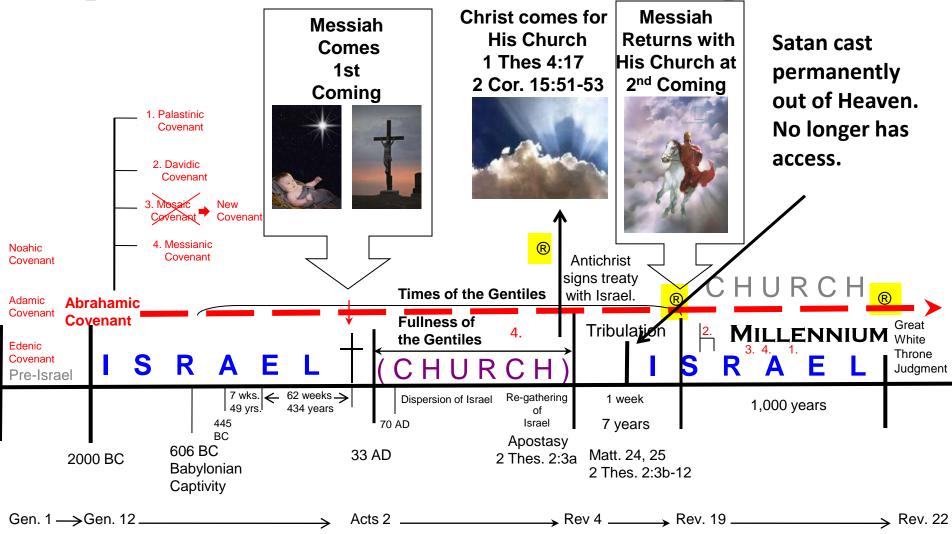
1 John 2:1

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Rev 12:10

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Comprehensive Biblical View of Future Prophetic Events



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Rom 8:34

34 who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us.

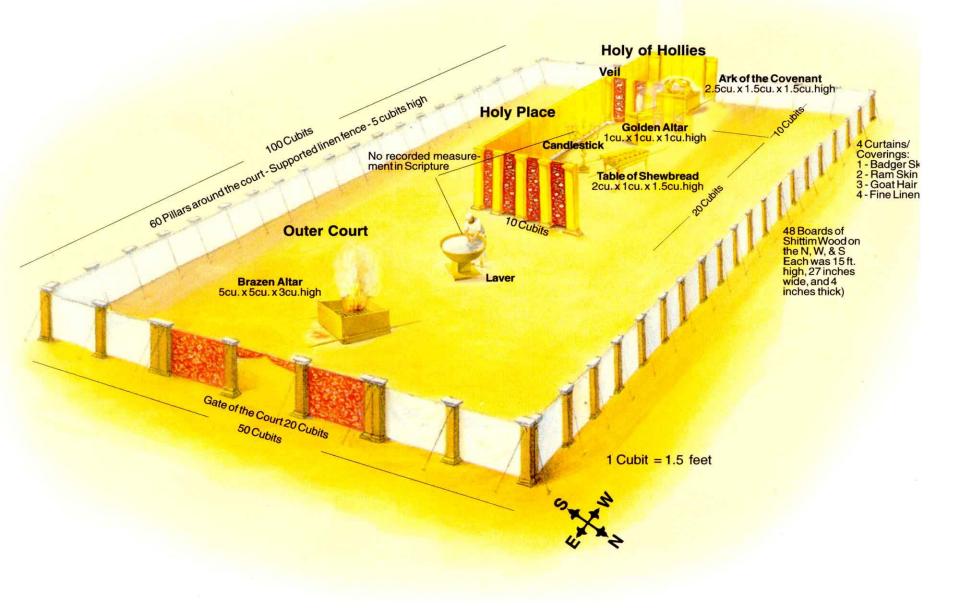
7 ways our High Priest defends us:

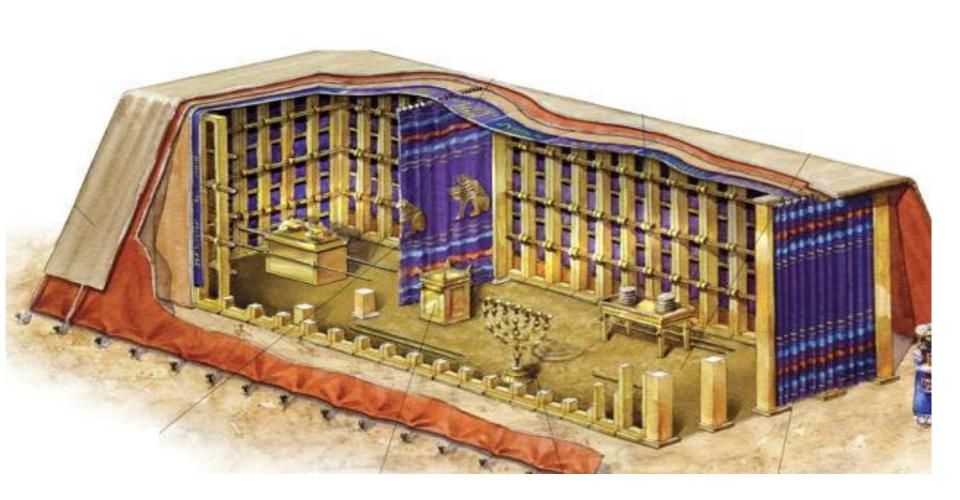
- 1. Against our past sins.
- 2. Against our present sins.
- 3. When we go through trials.
- 4. When we are persecuted
- 5. When we face death.
- 6. At judgment day
- 7. For all eternity.

2. By praying for us. Lev 16:12-13

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The Structure and Dimensions of the Tabernacle





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John 17:11-19

- 11 "I am no longer in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep them in Your name, the name which You have given Me, that they may be one even as We are.
- 1. That believers be kept in His name.
- 2. That believers be unified.

- 12 "While I was with them, I was keeping them in Your name which You have given Me; and I guarded them and not one of them perished but the son of perdition, so that the Scripture would be fulfilled.
- 13 "But now I come to You; and these things I speak in the world so that they may have My joy made full in themselves.
- 3. That believers may be filled with joy.
- 14 "I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 15 "I do not ask You to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one.
- 4. That believers be protected from the evil one.

Luke 22:31-34

- 31 "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat;
- 32 but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned again, strengthen your brothers."
- 33 But he said to Him, "Lord, with You I am ready to go both to prison and to death!"
- 34 And He said, "I say to you, Peter, the rooster will not crow today until you have denied three times that you know Me."

- 16 "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 17 "Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.
- 18 "As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.
- 19 "For their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth.
- 5. That believers are "made holy" in the truth of the word.
- 20 "I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word;
- 21 that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me.
- 6. That believers may be unified like the Father is with Christ.
 - A. In thinking.
 - B. In purpose.
 - C. In will.
 - D. In actions.

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Application

1. How are you different knowing that your Great High Priest is answering every accusation hurled against you by Satan before the throne of God?

- 2. How are you different knowing that your Great High Priest is forever praying for you?
 - Thankful
 - Humbled
 - Confident