“We Have Such a High Priest”

Heb 8:1-6
1 Now the main point in what has been said is this: we have such a high priest, who has taken His seat at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, 2 a minister in the sanctuary, and in the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, not man. 3 For every high priest is appointed to offer both gifts and sacrifices; hence it is necessary that this high priest also have something to offer. 4 Now if He were on earth, He would not be a priest at all, since there are those who offer the gifts according to the Law; 5 who serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things, just as Moses was warned by God when he was about to erect the tabernacle; for, "See," He says, "that you make all things according to the pattern which was shown you on the mountain." 6 But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, by as much as He is also the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises.

Intro: As the Holy Spirit breathed out God’s Word to the Penman of the Hebrews letter so proclaim __________ to be the Great and Eternal High Priest, __________ in every way, the one and only priest who is “holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens”, who is fitting for us that ____ might ______ ______ as our High Priest, our Savior and Lord.

A. As the Author concluded the 7th chapter by bringing us to a crescendo of the glory of __________ as the perfect High Priest so now do we open to the 8th chapter where he expresses the excellencies of Christ’s __________ ministry over the earthly ministry of the priests of Old. Having fulfilled His earthly work to perfection, and now being seated at the right hand of the Majesty on High, so does Jesus as our perfect High Priest ________________ to us and for us in the Heavenly Tabernacle.

I. The main point of the Hebrew letter is this: we have in __________ the __________ and eternal High Priest.

A. Jesus “______ taken _______ seat ...”
   1. He completed His redemptive work for He Himself said, “It is ________________!”
   2. His seat is at the __________ __________ of the throne of the Majesty ____ the ________________!

B. Jesus serves as a ________________ in the ____ tabernacle.
   1. And though the ministries of men will fail ______ __________ shall never fail for it is offered in the _______ eternal tabernacle! In Jesus we have such a High Priest!”
C. Our High Priest Jesus ministers in the true tabernacle having offered ______ _______ for all time.

1. His one time sacrifice has a constant and _______ effect, continually resulting in the salvation and preservation of souls.

2. Thank God that Jesus ministers in heaven! _______ does not offer earthly gifts according to the Law of Old as did the earthly high priests who went before Him, but He _______ heavenly gifts according to the covenant of ________!

D. _______ is not an earthly priest and therefore did not serve as a priest at the earthly temple which is but a copy and shadow. Jesus is the Heavenly High Priest who _______ not in a copy but in the original, who serves not in a shadow but in the ________.

E. This ministry of Jesus is the _______ _________ ministry.

1. ______ ministry is not a temporal ministry but the more excellent everlasting _______ that truly _______ forever those who draw near to God through Him!

2. Jesus’ more excellent ministry is this: He is the ________ of the better covenant.

   a. God sent His Son _______ to be the only God-man, who alone is in the heavenly tabernacle mediating between God and you and me, _______ God to you and me, and you and me to God through the ___________ of our soul.

Closing: Christ ________, the Heavenly High Priest who once for all time _______ Himself as the atoning sacrifice is seated in the heavenly places where He ministers as the Perfect Mediator of the perfect covenant. Will you be at peace with God?

Will you choose Law or grace. _______ you trust yourself to fallen human priests or to the heavenly High Priest? Will _______ receive condemnation or mercy? Do you have such a great High Priest? ________ upon the Lord Jesus Christ and He will be your High Priest, saving you forever.

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