

Lesson for Midday and Evening Becoming Sessions

Hebrews 8:1-3

The High Priest of A New and Better Covenant

Lesson Central Idea

The Old Covenant Was *Good*
But The New Covenant Is *Better*

OPEN IT

- What is involved in knowing someone?
- What is involved in having an intimate relationship with God?
- Why is it so difficult to forget the wrongs others do to us?

EXPLORE IT

- Where is Christ right now? (8:1)
- With what title is God described? (8:1)
- What is Christ doing presently in heaven? (8:2)
- What is the “job description” for a high priest? (8:3)
- How do earthly sanctuaries and tabernacles differ from the heavenly one in which Christ is currently serving? (8:2, 5-6)
- Why would Jesus not be a priest on earth? (8:4)
- Who do the terms “copy,” “shadow,” and “pattern” indicate about the Levitical priesthood? (8:5)
- In what ways is the new covenant superior to the old? (8:6)
- Why did God decide to initiate a new covenant? (8:7-12)
- How did Israel handle their part in the old covenant? (8:9)
- How did God say the new covenant would be different from the old one? (8:10)
- What is God’s response to sin under the new covenant? (8:12)
- What became of the old covenant when the new was introduced? (8:13)

GET IT

- How does it make you feel to realize that under the new covenant, you can have an intimate relationship with God?

- How motivated would you be to love and worship God if you had to depend solely on animal sacrifices offered by a stranger?
- What do we learn about God for the fact that He set aside the old covenant in favor of the new?
- What three words best describe how you feel knowing that Jesus Christ is in the presence of God representing you before your Creator?
- How much do biblical principles and God's truths govern your thoughts and actions?

APPLY IT

- In what ways can you show thanks to God today for the fact that He remembers your sins no more?
- What can you do this week to get to know God better? How can you use the truths of this passage in the coming days to help a friend who is struggling to earn God's approval?

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