

## THE HIGH COST OF OBEDIENCE ~ Hebrews 5:1-10

→ Scripture Reading Heb 5:1-3, Heb 5:7-10

### REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH PRIESTS ~ Hebrews 5:1-4

[1] Every high priest is selected from among men and is appointed to represent them in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. [2] He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. [3] This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people. [4] No one takes this honor upon himself; he must be called by God, just as Aaron was.

### CHRIST'S QUALIFICATIONS FOR HIGH PRIEST ~ Hebrews 5:5-10

[5] So Christ also did not take upon himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, "You are my Son; today I have become your Father. [6] And he says in another place, "You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek."

**Genesis 14:18** (NIV) Then Melchizedek **KING** of Salem brought out bread and wine. He was **PRIEST** of God Most High, [19] and he blessed Abraham...

[7] During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

### APPLICATION

**SUBMISSIVE Prayer** - He did NOT make Demands of God

**SURRENDERED Life** - living and dying for God's glory

**Rom. 12:1** (JBP) With eyes wide open to the mercies of God, I beg you, my brothers, as an act of intelligent worship, to give him your bodies, as a living sacrifice, consecrated to him...

**Rom. 12:1** (MSG) ...God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life - your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life - and place it before God as an offering.

*Perfect submission all is at REST, I **IN** my Savior am happy and blessed  
Watching and waiting, looking above, FILLED with His goodness, LOST in His Love*

**SUBMISSIVE Prayer** -  
**SURRENDERED Life** -

[8] Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered [9] and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him

**Hebrews 7:24-25** (NIV) ...but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood. [25] Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

[10] and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

## **JESUS our High Priest**

- UNDERSTANDS our weaknesses
- is PERFECT and SINLESS
- is ETERNAL
- is also KING of KINGS

## **APPLICATION**

**Philippians 2:5-8** (NIV) Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: [6] Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, [7] but **made himself nothing**, taking the very **nature of a servant**, being made in **human likeness**. [8] And being found in appearance as a man, he **humbled himself** and became **obedient to death**-- even death on a cross!

### **The Cost of Obedience ...**

- left Heaven
- became a man
- became a slave
- said NO to every temptation
- humbled Himself in death

**Hebrews 2:18** (NIV) Because he himself **SUFFERED when he was TEMPTED**, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

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**Hebrews 12:2** (NIV) Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who **for THE JOY SET BEFORE** him **ENDURED THE CROSS**, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

## **TAKE AWAY ??**

## **QUESTIONS**

1. Why is it important that Jesus Learned Obedience through what He suffered?
2. Why do we struggle with the cost of Obedience?
3. Which is worse the Cost of Obedience or the Punishment for Disobedience?
4. Why is it important to remember that there is JOY and Satisfaction in Obedience?