

I. SACRIFICES & PRIESTS; OFFERINGS & OFFERERS (Lev.1-5&6,7; see Heb.4-8&9,10)

II. PRIESTS: PERSON & WORK

A. PERSON: HOLY ATTRIBUTES (6:10,11; Ezk.44:18; Zech.3:1f; Rev.3:4,5; see Ex.28:36)

B. WORK: HOLY ACTIONS

1. mediation: sacrifice for *atonement & acceptance* (6:9f; Ex.29:38f; altar of burnt offering)
2. intercession: prayer for *advocacy* (Ex.30:7,8; altar of incense; see Ps.141:2; Lk.1:10; Rev.5:8; 8:3,4)

III. CHRIST IS OUR HIGH PRIEST (see Heb.2:17; 3:1; c.4-10)

A. PERSON: HOLY ATTRIBUTES (Heb.4:15; 7:26,27)

B. WORK: HOLY ACTIONS

1. mediation: cross (Heb.7:27; 9:11f,14; 1Pt.3:18)
2. intercession: crown (Is.53:12; Rom.8:34; Heb.9:4,24; 7:25; 12:24; e.g. Jn.17:1f; 14:13,14; 15:16; 16:23-26)

C. TRUE PRIEST: MELCHIZEDEK (Gen.14:18; Ps.110:4; Heb.7:3,11f; 16,17; 24,25; 28; see 9:23,24)

IV. WE ARE CHRIST'S PRIESTS (see Lev.6:9f,etc.)

A. OLD TESTAMENT PRIESTHOOD

1. Priests *to* the Tribes *to* the Nations (Num.2:23,29,35,38 *to* Num.2:3f,10f,(17),18f,25f *to* Is.61:6 / Ezk.39:7)
2. Court of the Gentiles, Court of Israel, Court of Priests, Court of High Priests (Is.56:7; Lev.1:3; Heb.9:6,7)
3. Summary: Everyone in Israel *had* a Priest and *was* a Priest (see Ex.19:6)

B. NEW TESTAMENT PRIESTHOOD

1. Christ is our High Priest (Heb.2:17; 3:1; c.4-10)
2. We are His family, thus priests (Heb.2:11f; see 1Pt.2:5,9; Is.66:20,21(Rom.15:16))

C. PERSONS IN CHRIST: HOLY ATTRIBUTES (1Pt.2:5,9 with 2:11f; 1:15f,22f)

D. WORK IN CHRIST: HOLY ACTIONS

1. mediation *in Christ*: sacrifice to God for others (1Pt.2:5 / Jn.15:13(10:15f); Lk.9:23; Eph.5:25ff; 1Th.2:7f; 2Cor.4:15; 12:14,15; Heb.13:16; see Mt.22:39)
2. intercession *in Christ*: pray to God for others (Heb.13:18; Jms.5:16; Rev.5:8(8:3,4); see Jn.14:13,etc.)
3. note: *apply* by Spirit what *accomplished* by Christ (see 1Tm.2:5; Heb.9:15 / Rom.15:16; Jn.14:13,26; 16:14)

V. THE PRIESTHOOD OF BELIEVERS (Ex.19:1f; 1Pt.2:5,9; see Is.66:20,21; Rom.15:16)

A. GO TO CHRIST AS YOUR HIGH PRIEST! (Heb.3:1; 4:14,15; 9:11ff)

1. mediation: sin & righteousness (1Tm.2:5; Heb.9:15(12:24); 10:12,14; 2Cor.5:21)
2. intercession: needs & desires (Heb.7:25; 12:23; Rom.8:34; see Jn.17:1f; 14:13,14; 15:16; 16:23-26)

B. GO IN CHRIST AS HIS PRIESTS (Heb.2:11f; 1Pt.2:5,9)

1. mediation: cross daily (Lk.9:23; see Jn.15:13(10:15f); Lk.9:23; Eph.5:25ff; 1Th.2:7f; 2Cor.4:15; 12:14,15; Heb.13:16; see Mt.22:39)
2. intercession: pray constantly (1Th.5:17,25; Heb.13:18; Jms.5:16; Rev.5:8(8:3,4))

C. GO TO CHRIST FOR THESE THINGS AT THE LORD'S SUPPER TONIGHT!