

Communion Meditation – Jesus in Genesis

Genesis 14.17-20

Jesus and Melchizedek

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Melchizedek in the Bible

- Name is used only twice in Old Testament
 - **Gen 14** (3 verses) and **Psalms 110** (1 verse)
- Name used 9 times in New Testament
 - **Hebrews 5** thru **7** (44 verses)
- 2 mentions in 4 verses – expands to 9 mentions in 44 verses
 - Are types of the Old Testament important in the New? - YES
 - Moses didn't enter the Promised Land because he struck the rock
 - God judged Moses for unbelief (**Num 20**) ~ not disobedience
 - **1 Cor 10.4** says the Rock was Christ
 - Moses should have asked of the Rock but he demanded of it

Hebrews 7 ~ Commentary of Melchizedek

- **Read Heb 11.1-3**
- **Verse 3** says “without father, mother or genealogy”
 - “Does this mean Melchizedek was supernatural?” ~ NO
 - The writer of Hebrews is emphasizing what the Bible does **not** say
 - Mzk came out of nowhere ~ no mom, no dad, no end . . .
 - But note that Melchizedek was **made like** the Son of God
 - 2,000 years before Christ ~ but like Him ~ prefiguring Him
- Melchizedek is thought to have been King of JeruSALEM
 - He's the first priest mentioned in the Bible
 - His name means righteousness and salem means peace

Melchizedek served communion

- He served Abraham communion ~ bread and wine
- And Abraham tithed a tenth of the increase to him
- This foreshadowed the Mosaic law, ceremonial meals, Levitical priesthood

Jesus is our perfect High Priest ~ in the order of Melchizedek

He has no beginning and no end ~ His reign will never cease

And He will minister bread and wine to us forever