

## Various Priesthoods

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The following exercise introduces us to various priesthoods that are mentioned in the scriptures. On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following questions. (*This worksheet is based on the New King James Version of the Bible.*)

### Hebrews 7:1 - 3

1. From verse one, what are four distinct characteristics concerning Melchizedek?
2. According to verse 1, what two offices did Melchizedek occupy?
3. What was Abraham’s response to Melchizedek?
4. Melchizedek is the king of three things. What are they?
5. According to verse three, what does the Son of God and Melchizedek have in common?
6. Genesis 14:13 – 20 corresponds with Hebrews 7. From Genesis:
  - a. What did Melchizedek meet Abraham with?
  - b. When Melchizedek blessed Abraham, what exactly did he say?
  - c. Hebrews 7:2 tells us that Abraham gave Melchizedek “a tenth” of all. What word does Genesis use instead of “a tenth” in Genesis 14:20?
  - d. Hebrews 7:1 tells us that Abraham was “returning from the slaughter of the kings.” According to Genesis 14:14, what precipitated this slaughter? Through whom was the slaughter accomplished?

### Hebrews 7:4 - 10

1. What word is used to describe Melchizedek? (verse 4)
2. What title is used of Abraham?
3. What does “the spoils” mean?
4. Who is ordained, under the law, to receive the tithes? (verse 5)
5. The “sons of Levi” are collectively called what?
6. From whose loins did the sons of Levi precede from?
7. To whom does verse 6 refer?
8. To whom does “the lesser” and “the greater” refer? (verse 7)
9. Who are the two persons that receive tithes? (verse 8)
10. Levi, who receives the tithe, also paid the tithe to Melchizedek. How is this possible since Levi was not yet born when Melchizedek met Abraham?

If you have a set of colored highlighter markers or colored pencils, color code each of the times that the following words or phrases appear. (I would recommend making a copy of the text, Hebrews Chapter 7, rather than marking in your Bible.)

Melchizedek                      Abraham                      a tenth or tithe                      Priest or priesthood

In verses 11 – 15, underline these words: “another” and “change”

Now circle each time that these words occur: forever, continually, endless life, He always lives.

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