

Lesson 5 Immanuel, God is With Us, Our Kinsman Redeemer

Please write **Isaiah 7:14** below:

Please write **Matthew 1:23** below:

Remember; when I told you that being in God's presence was one of the criteria for being in Heaven? This is where my definition of Heaven breaks down. When God the Son, Jesus Christ came to earth, He was still God but He was also human. However, earth was not Heaven at that time. God the Father was still in Heaven...in the third heaven.

Many times, when I think about the Incarnation of God the Son, I can't fathom how He did it? Noting here that "fathom," is only a gross understatement, how could He, being equally God with God the Father and God the Holy Spirit, pack Himself into this human body that He created? I personally think of Him as bigger than my view of the universe from earth.

We know that there were some godly things that He did leave behind, so that He could be our Kinsman Redeemer. When talking of end time things in **Matthew 24:36**, Jesus says this, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone." Obviously, He had to leave that bit of knowledge behind.

He had to leave the Father behind in Heaven and the Holy Spirit behind until the Spirit of God came to Him during His baptism. We see this in **Matthew 3:16** when it says, "After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he (John the Baptist) saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him."

In **Philippians 2:5-8**, the Scripture says, "Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

God the Son, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. **John 1:14**

Day 1

The Book of Ruth

The Book of Ruth in the Old Testament is only 4 chapters long, but it is in the OT because it gives us a foreshadowing of our Kinsman Redeemer, our *Go-ali*, in the LORD Jesus Christ. Jesus had to humble Himself by becoming like us, in order to take our sins away, and therefore we could be saved. Please look up and write **Mark 10:45** below:

Now, before we go on, please read this short book of **Ruth** all in one sitting. These following words are important to the study of this book, so look for them:

- Redeem, redemption
- Relative (closest relative, kinsman)
- Naomi, Ruth, Boaz

In your reading, please note the main characters of each chapter and the sequencing of events. Write the sequencing of events below. All I am asking from you here is to give me a summary statement from each chapter, like the following:

- Ruth 1: Naomi loses husband and sons in Moab; returns to Israel with daughter-in-law, Ruth
- Ruth 2:
- Ruth 3:
- Ruth 4:

Who is Boaz?

Is Boaz Naomi's closest relative?

What did the closest relative have to do in addition to buying the land from Naomi's hand according to **Ruth 4:5**?

What is the Law of the Kinsman Redeemer found in **Deuteronomy 25:5-10**?

This next question is rather strange. However, I want you to think about how our Kinsman Redeemer, the LORD Jesus Christ, came to earth to redeem not only land for His next of kin, but also acquire His future bride.

How did Jesus acquire His future bride? Please cross reference **Romans 5:8** and **Revelation 5:9-10**.

How about the land? What is the significance of the seal judgments in **Revelation 6**? Remember, only one is worthy to break the seals. Think in these terms for this question: the scroll is being unraveled seal by seal. What is the scroll to the land? When you buy a new home, what do you have in your possession, although the bank mortgage is not paid off?

Although, HOAs' are trying to convince you otherwise, what rights do you have to the land your home sits on?

What claims does Satan have over the title deed to the earth presently? Once Adam and Eve sinned, what did they forfeit concerning the land? And to whom?

Please read **Revelation 11:17**.

Day 2

The Book of Hebrews

The book of Hebrews is made up of "Jesus is better than." Please read the following verses and tell me what or who is "Jesus better than," and why "is He better than?" Also, please try to read in between the answers to that which follows in Hebrews. This is such an incredible book with all kinds of descriptions of Jesus Christ. Do you want to know who your Savior is? Just read thru this wonderful book.

Hebrews 1:1-4 Write your answer below:

Hebrews 2:9, 14-18 This one is a little bit more difficult than the other references to perceive. Jesus, who is clearly better than the angels in **Hebrews 1**, is made for a little while lower than those angels. He took on human flesh. He dwelled amongst sinful men with a body just like theirs, but without sin.

Hebrews 3 Write your answer below:

Moses was revered by the Hebrew nation. Moses died away from the presence of His followers and God buried him in the ground in a place no one could know, not even the new leader, Joshua. I think the reason for this may have been so the Israelites would not use His bones as some superstitious relic (see **Jude 9**).

Hebrews 4:8 This one is rather difficult to discern as well. I will give this one to you, also. Jesus' Rest is Better than the rest Joshua could give the people.

Hebrews 5:7,9 Psalm 110:4 Write your answer below:

Jesus is the Greater High Priest than the earthly High Priest, who is from the order of the Aaronic Priesthood. Jesus is a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation.

Hebrews 7:22 Write your answer below:

Hebrews 8:6 Write your answer below:

Hebrews 9:11-12 Write your answer below.

Hebrews 10 I am going to give this one to you as well. Jesus offered a better sacrifice.

Now if Jesus is better than the angels, better than Abraham, better than Moses, better than Joshua, and better than the earthly high priest, then who must Jesus be?

And if Jesus is the Mediator of a Better Covenant and He is the One who entered a more Perfect Tabernacle and he is the One who offered a Better Sacrifice, then who must Jesus be? What is "the more Perfect Tabernacle?" What is the Better Covenant? And what is the Better Sacrifice?

Have you ever wondered why God called Jesus His Son and why His Son is an equal part of the Trinity in the Godhead? I think the related question is: have you ever wondered how your son or your daughter attains to the same position in this world as you do (a human being)? Think about this: your sons or your daughters were not even in existence without you, and yet they have somehow grown up to be an equal with you. Jesus was not a created being. Technically, we are not created beings, either; we are procreated. Don't misunderstand me. I am not saying Jesus the Son was procreated, meaning there was another human party involved other than Mary. What I am saying is that He came forth from God the Father. The Trinity is a mystery that we are not going to solve in this physical life. But, on this earth, we are sometimes given glimpses into these mysteries, by recognizing patterns or fore-shadowings.

Day 3

Hebrews 7-8, Jesus is the Mediator of a Better Covenant

One of the purposes for this study is to see the efforts God the Father has gone to in order to dwell with man. When we come to the New Testament, we have God in the Flesh, through the person of Jesus Christ, coming to earth and dwelling with Man. He was and is and is forever more, God the Son. He is also a man, but without sin. How can this be? What is different this time about God's dwelling with men than what we saw in His attempt to dwell with men in the Old Testament? Was there a barrier between Jesus and men like there was with the High Priest and the Glory of God in the Holy of Holies? Please read **Hebrews 6:19-20** and **Matthew 27:51** and answer the following question: what was the barrier between Jesus, God the Son, and men if there was one?

It was His taking on of human flesh. The flesh was the veil of the Holy of Holies. When Christ died on the cross and He said, "It is finished," the veil in front of the Throne of God was torn from top to bottom, signifying the way was now open for God to meet with men. God Himself had rent the veil. Prayerfully spend some time in **Hebrews 10:19-20**.

Now, we are going to look at **Hebrews 8-10** in more depth. Follow along with me please as we discover that Jesus is the High Priest, not the shadow as in the Old Testament, but the True High Priest, who is the mediator of a better covenant enacted on better promises between a Holy God and sinful men. Please read **Hebrews 7-10**. There is a lot to take in here. It might be a good idea for you to read the following questions first and then read through **Hebrews 7** through **Hebrews 10**.

Please describe Jesus the High Priest from **Hebrews 8:1**.

What does the office of the High Priest of the Old Testament do every year on the Day of Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement? Please cross Reference **Hebrews 9:24-25** with **Leviticus 16:31-34**.

Where is Jesus, our High Priest, sitting in relationship to His Father? **Hebrews 10:11-12**

Why is the right hand seat next to His Father's throne important, here? Please see **Hebrews 8:1-2**.

In the Old Testament, man was appointed to pitch the temporary Tent of Meeting. Who pitches the True Tent of Meeting (tabernacle) in Heaven? **Hebrews 8:2**

Who is the minister in the True Sanctuary and the True Tabernacle in Heaven? **Hebrews 8:2**

What were the duties of the High Priest in the Earthly Tabernacle? **Hebrews 10:11**

What did Jesus as High Priest offer at the altar? **Hebrews 8:3, 9:11-12**.

What tribe and family did the earthly priests (including the High Priest) come from? Please cross Reference **Exodus 28** and **Exodus 29**.

What tribe did Jesus come from? See **Hebrews 7:11-17, Isaiah 11:1, Micah 5:2**.

According to the Law, how often did the earthly priests have to offer sacrifices and gifts? See **Hebrews 7:26-27, 9:6-10**

What did God warn Moses about the copy and shadow of the heavenly things? Please see **Hebrews 8: 4-5**.

Why was perfection so important? Why was Moses so obsessive/compulsive when it came to the Tent of Meeting and all the things that were to be made for its rituals to approach God?

What is Jesus' more excellent ministry? See **Hebrews 8:6**.

What was the first covenant spoken of in **Hebrews 8:7**? What was the second covenant spoken of in **Hebrews 8:7**? **MH=Massive Hint**: What were the Old Covenant and the New Covenant? **Jeopardy! Ding! Ding! Ding!**

What will God do with the tablets of stone with the Old or Mosaic covenant written on them? On what will He write the words of the New Covenant? **Hebrews 8:8-12**

What will become of the Mosaic or Old Covenant once the New Covenant is in force? Also cross-reference **Hebrews 8:13** with **Jeremiah 31:31-34** and **Ezekiel 36:22-38**. These cross-references are very important for you to know. Please do not skip this.

Day4

Hebrews 9, Revelation 4-5, Jesus enters "the more Perfect Tabernacle"

Please Read **Hebrews 9**. From the description of the Old Testament tabernacle here in **Hebrews 9**, please draw the temporary tabernacle, the "shadow," in the space below. Draw the Holy of Holies with the Mercy Seat/Ark of the Covenant, and the Holy Place in which is the Table of Showbread, the 7-tiered lampstand and the golden altar are before the veil. Then draw the outer court with the bronze laver and bronze altar. **Exodus 25** is where you have seen this description in the Old Testament.

What had been placed in the Ark of the Covenant according to **Hebrews 9:4**?

Again, how often did the regular priesthood enter the outer tabernacle to perform the divine worship? See **Hebrews 9:6**.

Again, how often did the High Priest enter the Holy of Holies? **Hebrews 9:7**

What did the High Priest take into the Holy of Holies with him when he would enter once a year on the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur? See **Leviticus 16:11-16**.

In the Old Covenant, the First Covenant, or the Law, for what kind of sin did the sacrificial blood atone? See **Hebrews 9:7**.

If the sacrificial blood only atoned for the sins committed in ignorance, what was the sacrificial blood that would atone for sins committed knowingly? This is a trick question.

What was the penalty for intentional sin, like adultery? See **Leviticus 20:10**. You may want to read the whole of Leviticus chapter 20. Also, see **Romans 6:23**.

This is what **Hebrews 9:11-14** says: "But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, He entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation; and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled sanctify for the cleansing of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God."

How many times did our LORD Jesus Christ as High Priest have to enter the Holy of Holies carrying His own blood as the sacrifice? **Hebrews 9:12**

Write **Hebrews 9:23** in the space below:

Did Christ enter the holy place in the earthly tabernacle? Where was the Holy of Holies Christ entered? See **Hebrews 9:24**.

Why did God have the regular priesthood continually offering sacrifices day after day, year after year? Really think about this question and then read **Hebrews 10:1** and **Acts 6:7** together.

After reading the **Hebrews 10:1** and **Acts 6:7** Scriptural passages, did your initial answer to the above question change?

Day 5

Hebrews 10, Jesus Offered a Better Sacrifice

Please reread **Hebrews 10:1-25**.

Could the sacrifices done by the earthly priesthood, day after day, year after year, make perfect those who drew near to the Throne room of God, the Holy of Holies, in the Earthly Tabernacle? **Hebrews 10:1**

Could the blood of bulls and goats take away sins? **Hebrews 10:1-4, 11**

What did God do for us while we were yet sinners? **Romans 5:8-14**

There are several points I would like you to take with you and think about from this **Romans 5** chapter:

- **Romans 5:9** “Having been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him”. Is this the wrath of God that will be unleashed onto the earth and the earth dwellers during the Tribulation time (Daniel’s seventieth week)?
- **Romans 5:12-13** “Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned – for until the Law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law.” What does this mean? Did God just gloss over Man’s sin before the Law was given to the Israelites? Were these people before the Law was given through Moses given a free “get-out-of-jail” card? What happened to the souls of these men here of whom Paul wrote? The NLT clears up this passage of Scripture for me, anyway: “When Adam sinned, sin entered the entire human race. Adam’s sin brought death, so death spread to everyone,

for everyone sinned. Yes, people sinned even before the law was given. And though there was no law to break, since it had not yet been given, they all died anyway - even though they did not disobey an explicit commandment of God, as Adam did. “

Death reigned anyway and the wage of sin is death. This last truth does not and will not change.

The above are things that you can think about in your spare time. LOL!

God did not desire the blood of bulls and goats and He also took no pleasure in burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin by the priests of the earthly tabernacle. So, what did He prepare for His Son? Did God desire the blood of His only Son? Did He take pleasure in the offerings and sacrifices for sin that His Only Son made on behalf of men? **Hebrews 10:5-10**

By becoming the sacrifice, by spilling His blood as above, Jesus perfected for all time those who are sanctified, the holy ones, those who have been set apart for God. He did it all because He loves you. He loves me and He knew we would be lost forever to the Father, if He didn't go through with all of it.

What do you think it means when He says in **Hebrews 10:9** He takes away the first in order to establish the second? Remember, we are talking about the Old Covenant, and the New Covenant. In other words, the Old Testament and the New Testament. Does this set off some light bulbs in your thinking? What did you learn just now?

“THIS IS THE COVENANT THAT I WILL MAKE WITH THEM
AFTER THOSE DAYS, SAYS THE LORD:
I WILL PUT MY LAWS UPON THEIR HEART,
AND ON THEIR MINDS, I WILL WRITE THEM,”

Please look back at **Jeremiah 31:31-34** and then **Jeremiah 31:35-37**.

Write all the “I wills.” in **Jeremiah 31:31-34**. I believe there are seven of them.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

Now, how solid is this will of God and in particular how solid is the LORD's commitment to Israel. **Jeremiah 31:35-37**

Can the heavens be measured? We have very powerful telescopes today with which we can see whole galaxies and distant stars with distant solar systems. With all that we know already, can man ever know everything there is to know about the foundation of the Universe? How about even the foundation of the earth?

What comes after those stars, those galaxies? Is there a brick wall around just what we can see? What's after that brick wall? Is there more space with more space stuff? Does the Universe ever end? God said that He put eternity into the hearts of men.

Where were you when the LORD created the heavens and the earth?

God says to Israel in **Jeremiah 31:35-36** if the fixed order of all that He has created departs, then the offspring of Israel will also cease from being a nation. What does this tell you about Israel today? What does this tell you about God's commitment to Israel today?

"As I have watched over them to pluck up, to break down, to overthrow, to destroy and to bring disaster, so I will watch over them to build and to plant,' declares the LORD." **Jeremiah 31:28**

Please read **Romans 9, 10, and 11**. As you read this marvelous treatise on the Hebrew nation, I would like for you to list below "why Israel?" Why are they still important? Why are they still and will be forevermore a part of God's plan, paying particular attention to **Romans 9:4** and **Romans 11:11-17**. I've begun for you below examples as in both Scriptural passages.

To them is the adoption as sons **Romans 9:4**

By their transgression salvation has come to the Gentiles, to make them jealous **Romans 11:11**

Now, I would like you to read this final passage in **Revelation 7:4-8, 9**. This is right before the Lamb of God breaks the last seal of the seven seal judgments. Where are they from, these 144,000 bondservants who are sealed on their foreheads? Are these 144,000 from the tribes of Israel, the Jehovah Witnesses of today? Or are they exactly who the Scripture says they are, 12,000 each from every tribe of the sons of Israel?

Are these the Remnant of Israel that God refers to through the entire Scripture? What will be the objective for this 144,000? What do we see in **Revelation 7:9** immediately after the listing of the 144,000 tribes? Do you think the “after these things” are a result of the sealing of the 144,000?

Can you agree with me that a great harvest of souls (**Revelation 1:9-17**) comes from the sealing of the 144,000 Jews? Note that John **does not see** the tribes; he **hears** them. He will see the great number of people that no one can number from all the nations. Here lies the relationship between John hearing the names of the tribes spoken by an angel perhaps, and John seeing the great multitude: the 144,000 witnesses bring about the biggest harvest of souls that no one can count. The duties of the 144,000 will include the evangelization of the rest of the world – so that everyone can hear the True Gospel?

From all of this, do you think God is done with the Jewish people, since they, as a Nation, originally rejected the True Messiah, Yeshua?

To the end, **all those left** of the **Remnant of Israel** shall be **saved**.

“And I will bring the third part through the fire,
Refine them as silver is refined,
And test them as gold is tested.
They will call on My name,
And I will answer them:
I will say, ‘They are My people,’
And they will say, ‘The LORD is my God.’” **Zechariah 13:9**