

PSALMS

SERMON SERIES

This Weeks Sermon
“The LORD Said to my Lord”
Psalm 110

The Devil is in the Details

Genesis 14:13-24

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So Who is this Guy?

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Melchizedeck is connected with the city of *Salem*, traditionally identified as Jerusalem. Ps. 76:3 explicitly connect Salem with Jerusalem (Zion)... This indicates that a Sumerian name was given to Jerusalem long before David appeared, possibly when Jerusalem was an outlying trading post of the Sumerians.

~Victor P. Hamilton, *The Book of Genesis: Chapters 1-17*, (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans Publishing), 1990, 409-10.

David's Psalm

Psalm 110

¹ The LORD says to my lord:

“Sit at my right hand
until I make your enemies
a footstool for your feet.”

² The LORD will extend your mighty scepter from Zion,
saying,

“Rule in the midst of your enemies!”

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³ Your troops will be willing
on your day of battle.

Arrayed in holy splendor,
your young men will come to you
like dew from the morning's womb.

⁴ The LORD has sworn
and will not change his mind:

“You are a priest forever,
in the order of Melchizedek.”

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⁵The Lord is at your right hand;

he will crush kings on the day of his wrath.

⁶He will judge the nations, heaping up the dead
and crushing the rulers of the whole earth.

⁷He will drink from a brook along the way,
and so he will lift his head high.

What's so significant with Melchizedek?

Hebrews 7:9-10

⁹ One might even say that Levi, who collects the tenth, paid the tenth through Abraham, ¹⁰ because when Melchizedek met Abraham, Levi was still in the body of his ancestor.

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i. A Finished Work

Hebrews 10:11-14

¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. ¹⁴ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

A. The Superiority of Christ over
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ii. A Better Work

Hebrews 7:22-25

²² Because of this oath, Jesus has become the guarantor of a better covenant.

²³ Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office; ²⁴ 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.

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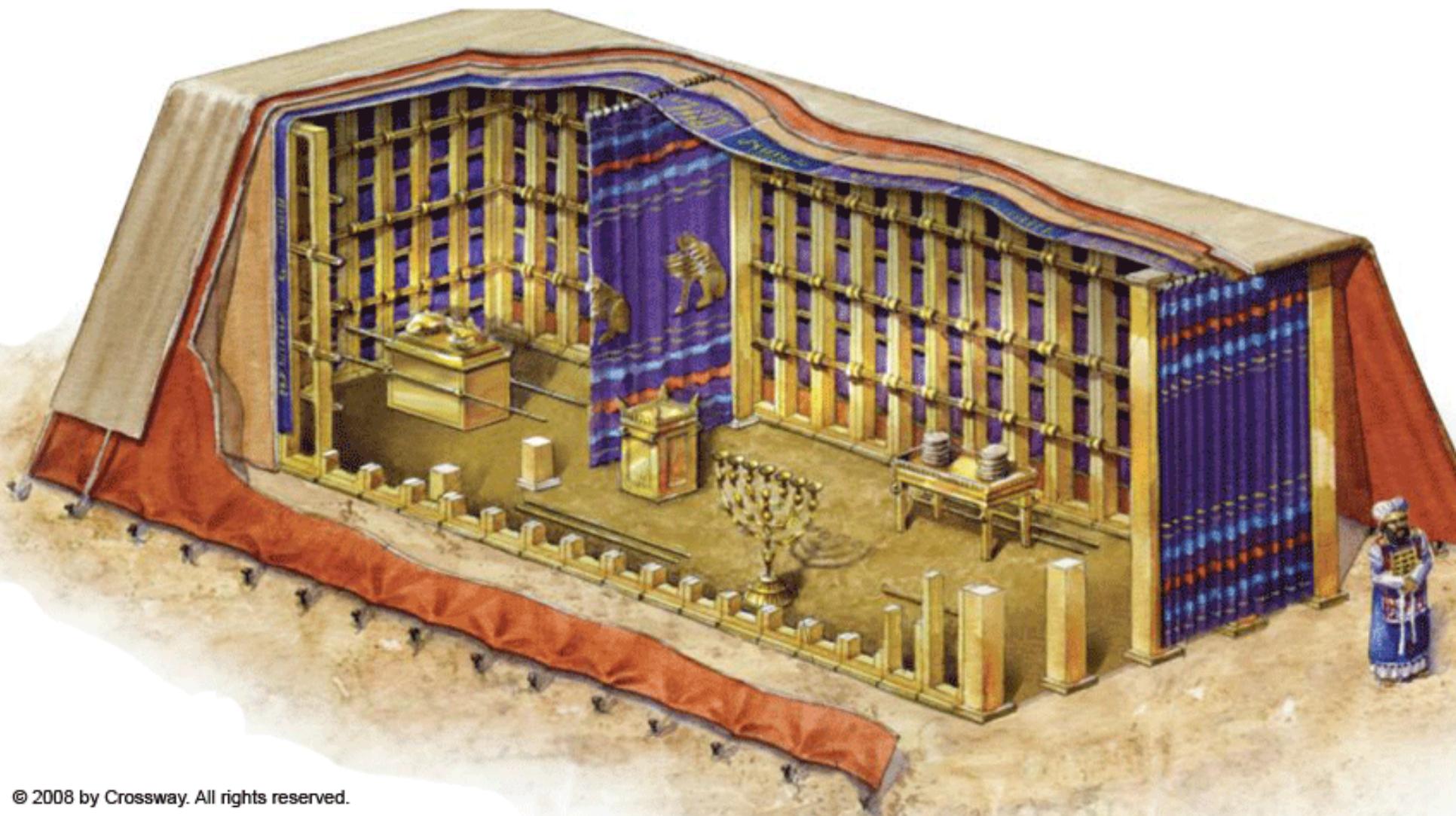
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iii. A Mediator between God and
Mankind.

Hebrews 10:19-23

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What Jesus Says About Himself in this Passage

Mark 12:35-37

³⁵ While Jesus was teaching in the temple courts, he asked, “Why do the teachers of the law say that the Messiah is the son of David? ³⁶ David himself, speaking by the Holy Spirit, declared:
“ ‘The Lord said to my Lord:
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³⁷ David himself calls him 'Lord.' How then can he be his son?"

The large crowd listened to him with delight.

Gospel Application:

Do you believe that God's ultimate plan of redemption from the very beginning was Jesus to all people?

Do you need any part of the finished work of Christ to change you today? To cleanse even your conscience?