

# Hebrews 7.26

## Therefore...

There is a hidden implication in Hebrews 7.26. It is the "so what" of the truth that Jesus is the High priest who is fitting for us. That He is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate and has become higher than the heavens.. We have considered all of these things individually, but before we move on we must consider that they paint a picture in concert, that they describe the most excellent of beings and that His love and work for us is beyond all comprehension. When we are granted glimpse of this truth we MUST ask the simple question... what then does this mean for me? What does this require of me? What is the "therefore" in these truths?

### I. THE LAW COULD NOT PROVIDE

- A. We were outside and without hope - but so was Israel if the priesthood was the answer...

*“that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.” (Ephesians 2:12, NKJV)*

- B. Priests unable to complete what was needed for forgiveness
- C. They represented some but not all.
- D. The work, which had to be done in heaven, was impossible for them
- E. **Therefore, never lose sight of your great need. Let it always warm your heart towards Christ who is THE great answer.**

## II. GOD HAS PROVIDED

- A. Let us cast ourselves upon Him - Since so great a priest exists, it is folly and self-murder to deny Him and seek some other way. This is the only path which not only offers hope, but is promised by God will succeed.

*“For “whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”” (Romans 10:13, NKJV)*

- B. Let us praise and worship the God who loves so

*“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”  
(Romans 5:8, NKJV)*

- C. **Therefore; Let us honor and revere the Christ who became all for us**

### III. HE GIVES TO US

A. Everything required is fulfilled

*“For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.”*

*(2Corinthians 1:20, NKJV)*

B. He was everything needed for our sakes

1. Christ alone is the priest

a. Our salvation is because of Him

b. Any pretended priest or redeemer, mediator or intercessor lies and seeks to destroy the souls of men.

c. Any who would be so must be perfect in all ways...

d. We must abandon all other hope and cast ourselves fully upon Christ

2. He will share His glory with no one

*“I am the Lord, that is My name; And My glory I will not give to another, Nor My praise to carved images.”*

*(Isaiah 42:8, NKJV)*

3. He will share His duties or roles with no one

*“For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,” (1 Timothy 2:5, NKJV)*

4. They are all His ALONE

C. Everything we need, He then provides.

*“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”*

*(Ephesians 3:20–21, NKJV)*

D. You have no needs that are not answered in Christ,

**E. Therefore; Look only unto Christ for everything. Trust only Christ for salvation.**

#### **IV. GOD'S WISDOM ON DISPLAY**

A. We see the majesty of God in Him

*“For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.”*

*(2 Peter 1:16–18, NKJV)*

B. We worship God because of this fact

*“For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the Spirit, rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh,” (Philippians 3:3, NKJV)*

C. He always does all that is needful

*“But He needed to go through Samaria.” (John 4:4)*

D. He will never fail to provide. Rest in Him

**Matthew 6.25-34**

E. Therefore, always let your love for Christ be that which aims you unto the Father. For God is ONE and never to be separated.

## V. LET US WALK IN HOLINESS

A. Jesus was our great example

B. He brings us into the very presence of God

*“For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us;”  
(Hebrews 9:24, NKJV)*

1. It is dangerous to be careless about Him

2. It is foolish to love other things more than Him

3. It is absolute idiocy to be casual in regards to the working of God in your life... for THIS is the day of salvation and THIS is

the day in which we are called to walk in holiness and obedience. Israel was an example of what happens when a people offered deliverance fail to honor the Deliverer...

**1Corinthians 10.6-13**

C. He calls us to imitate Him

**Ephesians 4.17-24**

D. He makes a way for us to walk in His truth

*“As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.” (Colossians 2:6–7)*

**E. Therefore; let your life abound in the imitation of Christ in every way without exception or excuse.**

## **VI. THE CHURCH IS MAGNIFICENT**

A. We are who we are because of Him

B. We are His body

*“Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.” (1 Corinthians 12:27, NKJV)*

C. We are His bride

*“For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. “For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.” (Ephesians 5:30–32)*

D. Let us care about the church and let us live so as to bring honor and glory upon the name of Christ AS the church

### **Colossians 1.24-27**

E. She is the joy and glory of true believers

*“For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Is it not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? For you are our glory and joy.”*

*(1 Thessalonians 2:19–20, NKJV)*

F. She is the place of our consolation and comfort

*“Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.” (Philippians 2:1–4, NKJV)*

**G. Therefore; aim with all that you are at being fully united with the church, doing everything for her sake, allowing nothing to divide you or poison you from her. Build her up, and protect her at all costs, even when it means your personal preferences are abandoned. The church is worth it!**