## How Long Will Jesus Christ Be There As Our High Priest and Mediator? (Part I)

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:14-16).

## Listen what the Prophet of God said about it:

Now, the mysteries of the Book are revealed when the Seals are broken. And when the Seals completely are broken, the time of redemption is over, because the Lamb left the intercession post to walk out to take His claims. He was a Mediator between that, but when the real revelation happens on the Seals as they begin to break, the Lamb is coming forth from the sanctuary. It's according to the Word. He come from out of the midst and took the Book. So He's no more Mediator, because even they called Him a Lion, and that's the King, and He's not a Mediator then.

Now, the Lamb in the time of intercessory back here, **He knew that there were names in there that were put in there from the foundation of the world, and as long as them names** have never been manifested on earth as yet, He had to stay there **as Intercessor**. Do you get it? Perfectly predestination...

All right, He had to stay there, because He came to die for those that God had ordained to Eternal Life (Acts 13:48). By His foreknowledge He saw them, not by His own will. His will was that none should perish (I Tim. 2:3-4), but by His foreknowledge He knew who would and who would not.

Therefore as long as there was one name hadn't never yet been declared in earth, Christ had to stay there as an Intercessor to take care of that name. But as soon as that final name had been splashed in that Clorox or bleach, then His intercessory days was over. "Let him that's filthy be filthy still. Let him that's holy, he's holy still." (Rev. 22:11). And he leaves the sanctuary,

and then it becomes a judgment seat. Woe unto those outside of Christ then.

See, it isn't God, as we'd think, just going to hunt Him out a few thousand people of this age and take them. It's the very elected out of every age. And that's the reason Christ has to stay on the mediatorial seat back there as an Intercessor until that last one comes in at the last age. And these revelations then of what it has been breaks forth upon the people, and they see what's happened. [1]

And we see it is a **Book of Redemption.** And then we went back and got the kinsman redeemer and picked Him up to see what His work was. And now, for all these years, Christ has been doing the Kinsman Redeemer work. He has been doing the work of the Kinsman Redeemer (Lev. 25:25-28), but there will come a time that when the redeeming work will be over, and when the redeeming work is over, then He leaves the throne of God, where He's seated now, but that's not His throne. "He that overcometh shall sit with Me in My throne as I have overcome and have set down on My Father's throne." (Rev. 3:21). That is not His throne. That belongs to Spirit, God. Christ, the Lamb, it doesn't belong to Him. He is the incarnate God, which is the same God made incarnate (John 1:1-2,14; Col. 1:14-15).

He (the Lamb) had been back there in **His mediatorial work, for He was bleeding for the people, intercessing for the people until the last soul that was put on the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world come in (Rev. 5:1-5; Rev. 13:8-9).** There's just going to be so many of them there, and that's it. That's all. **The others won't even want to come in; they have no desire to come in.** And so then when that last soul comes in, then the time of redemption is finished. Then the Lamb comes forth to claim **His rights to what He has redeemed, and that's all creation.** The earth and everything belongs to Him. See? He has redeemed it with His own Blood. **And when He comes forth to take this Book to open it**, why, my, they was... (Rev. 5:1-10). John didn't weep anymore. And he looked, and this Lamb was a slain Lamb. It has already been killed, but it was alive again.

And now, we found out that a slain lamb is a bloody lamb, bleeding all over. It's been slain. After It'd been slain, It'd raised again and was setting on the throne, way back in behind the throne like this, interceding for all those souls that would come. Then when the last one was here and it was completed, God still held the Book of Redemption. Now, He's just doing the Kinsman work now; like Boaz went down, and Ruth was just sitting there waiting until Boaz... I mean Boaz done the kinsman redeeming work (Ruth 4).

The world's still going worse, and sin is heaping up and sickness and trouble and death and sorrow. Now, notice, but then after it was all over, after His interceding was done, He comes forth, takes the Book out of the hand of Him, and then John, and everything in heaven, and the souls under the altar begin screaming, and how they rejoiced, and they fell down, the elders, and poured out the prayers of saints (Rev. 8:1-5). And the souls under the altar cried, "Worthy art You, because You have redeemed us to God, and we're going back to earth to live as kings and priests." (Rev. 5:8-10).

John said everybody in heaven, everything beneath the earth, and everything heard him praising God about it. John must've found his name on there, you know... And all that time... (Rev. 5:11-14).

Then he said, "He is worthy to take the Book of Redemption." Now, it doesn't belong back to **the Judge** any more. It belongs to **the Redeemer**, and **He's done**, **done the work of redemption**.

Now, He's going to show the church what He done. See? Then He just takes... But the Book is closed. No one knew at all. They knew it was a Book of Redemption on it there, but it's to be revealed in the last days according to Revelations 10. The seventh angel is going to be given the message of that, because it said that in the time of the sounding of the seventh church age—the seventh angel, when he sounds, all the mysteries of God should be finished up by his sounding. Then after it's revealed, the Angel come down from heaven, which was Christ. Now remember, this angel and is on earth, a messenger.

Down comes Christ (You see Him in the 10th chapter of Revelations.), puts one foot upon the land and the other one on the sea, rainbow over His head, eyes and feet like fire and so forth, raises up His hand and swears by Him that lives forever and ever on the throne, that time shall be no more. And when He takes this oath, Seven Thunders utter their voices.

The Lamb sets there making intercession till the last one comes in. The little bell rings and He walks out and takes His possession then, so, brings His Church home, His subjects. Then we walk out in the millennium (Isaiah 65:17-25). [2]

Now, just search your heart, my brother, my sister, my friends. Search Christ now while you have a chance to (Isaiah 55:6-7). It may come pretty soon where you can't do it. He may leave the seat anytime of His intercession; then you could cry with all your heart, you could stomp, you could speak in tongues, you could run up and down the floor, you

**could do anything you wanted to** and join every church in the world; **there's nothing, no more Bleach for your sins.** Then where are you then?

While I believe, with all my heart, the seat's still open. I believe He's still on the throne of God, but soon He's going to rise now and come forth to claim what He has redeemed. He's doing the work of Kinsman Redeemer while Ruth is waiting (Ruth 3:18). But soon, you know, after Boaz done the kinsman work, then he come and claimed his possessions, and that's exactly what the Bible said He done. He come forth and took the Book; then intercession is over. He's off the throne. There's no more Blood on the mercy seat, and then what is it? Judgment seat. [3]

When the Lamb was slain, the names were put on the Lamb's Book of Life from the foundation of the world (Rev. 13:8). He's standing in the holy place today in glory as an Intercessor, making intercessions for everyone of those souls whose name is on that Book (Rom. 8:26-27; Heb. 2:17-18). And nobody knows that name but Him. He's the One that's got the Book in His hand. And He knows when that last one comes in, then His intercessing days is over. He comes forth then to claim what He's interceded for. He's doing the Kinsman Redeemer work now and comes forth to receive His own.

And then He gave that Blood because He become a kinsfolks to us, and He was the Kinsman Redeemer! (Leviticus 25:25-28). And He shed that Blood freely. He didn't have to. He give it freely to redeem. Then He goes upon the altar of God and waits there, while God holds the Book of Redemption in His hand, and the bloody Lamb stands on the altar of sacrifice. There's the Lamb to make redemption, making intercession. [4]

When Solomon prayed, he prayed, "Lord, if Thy people anywhere be in trouble and look towards this holy mountain, or this holy place, and pray, then hear from heaven" (I Kings 8:22-30; 9:1-3). And Jonah had confidence that God heard the prayer of Solomon because he was a servant of God (Jonah 2:5). And if he could have that much faith upon the prayer of a man that was dedicating an earthly temple, and a man praying the prayer that finally in his life backslid, and under them circumstances with them kind of symptoms, could have that much confidence that God would hear his prayer, how much more ought we today who's setting in the Presence of the resurrected Jesus Christ, look away from our symptoms to the heaven itself where Jesus sets at the right hand of God (Acts 7:54-56; Rom. 8:34), with His own Blood to make intercessions upon our confession.

I believe that His Presence is here now to set me free from any bondage that Satan put upon me. And I look to where He sits at the right hand of God, ever living to make intercession to me with His own Blood. As a High Priest He sets there, and how much more ought we to look to the holy place of God where Jesus Himself, our Mediator, the only One between God and man, stands with His own Blood to make intercessions on our confession. Amen. "Amen" means "so be it." I believe it with all my heart (Heb. 3:1-6).

Now, that same Jesus is the same High Priest today. The Bible said so (Heb. 4:14-16). Is that right, minister brothers? That, "He is now a High Priest setting at the right hand of God, the Father, setting there ever living to make intercessions, a High Priest that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities." You just say to God, "Heavenly Father, I'm sick. I must have help. And I'm using all the faith I've got. And I believe that You're a High Priest now. Let me touch You, Lord, and You be the same yesterday..." [5]

The Bible said that He ascended on high, sets at the right hand of God (Eph. 1:20-23). Do you believe that? He's there to make intercession, and He is our High Priest that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities. You believe that? Our only Intercessor between God and man is Jesus Christ. That's according to the Bible (I Tim. 2:5-6). You might have others try it. But there's only One that God hears, and that's Jesus Christ. That's right. Notice as He sets there a High Priest, the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Now, if He was walking here, and you had faith to believe that He could heal you... Now, you believe God is in His Word. You believe God is in His people.

Jesus raised from the dead, went back to the Holy Spirit, and returned back again living in His people to do the same works that He did. And the hour has approached for this to be fulfilled, 'cause the ending of the Gentile dispensation is at hand. He did it at the end of the Jewish, the end of the Samaritan, and now at the end of the Gentile, just as He did then: promised to do it according to the Scripture. [6]

Now, He's the High Priest of your confession. He can only, only help you as you believe it. If you've confessed your sins, if you confessed your wrongs, if you've done everything, confessed you been too dilatory, whatever you've confessed, now it's laid on the sacrifice altar. Now, put your hands upon Jesus and identify yourself. You identify yourself by faith. Lay

your hands upon Jesus. And then when you do, look up to Him and say, "I receive it, Lord. I believe you now."

Oh, do you believe it now, with your sacrifice on the altar... On the altar, what you've laid down, all your differences, you've laid it on the altar, now by faith, lay your hands upon your Sacrifice, **Jesus, Who is setting at the right hand of God to make intercessions for you upon your confession that you believe with all your heart that He's accepted what you've offered to Him (Heb. 7:25-27).** If you believe that Jesus Christ has accepted what you've offered to Him this morning, "I give you my life, Lord. I've been cold; I've been indifferent. I've done things I oughtn't to have done. But from this hour I want to move up closer to You, and I believe that I receive it. I lay my hands upon You now as I make my confession." [7]

When He was here on earth, as I say, He cared for the people so much till He healed their sick, comforted their hearts, told them about a place that where He would go and prepare for them, and would come again to receive them unto Himself. He cared for them. And notice, He cared so much until when He knowed He must leave in order to bring this great thing to us, He said, "I'll not leave you comfortless, but I will send the Holy Spirit, and He shall continue My care for you," until He returns (John 14:15-20). There's no one cares like Jesus. Knowing that His body, as a High Priest, in a mediatorial work that He's doing now, that Body must be in the Presence of God at all times for intercession, that God cannot see the sinner's sin; He sees only the Blood of His Own Son. And knowing that, He sent back the Holy Spirit to continue to comfort His people. Does He care? Certainly, He cares. Now, He was to continue to care for the people, His people here on earth, in the same manner that He cared for them when He was here.

A man dropped dead right here on the platform, right here in front of us, about three weeks ago. His wife is a registered nurse examined him, no heart, no pulse. I put my hands on him, he's gone, and just called for his spirit, in the Name of Jesus Christ, and he rose up right then. See? What is it? He is the Resurrection and Life (John 11:25-26). Wasn't me. That was the Comforter that acted, the Holy Spirit making intercessions for us. See? We've accepted Him; now it's up to Him to make intercessions. Could God save you against your will? Certainly not. He can't heal you against your will. You've got to believe it.

The Bible said He's a High Priest, right now a High Priest, setting at the right hand of the Majesty of God, to make intercessions upon our confession. We confess, we believe it, and we want to touch the High Priest. And we touch Him, how would He act? He's here in the form of the Holy

**Ghost.** Then He'd speak right back through and tell you just exactly. Is that right? [8]

But under the Sixth Seal where these Trumpets opened... (Rev. 6:12-17). Remember, under there we find out that the Lamb came forth, appeared on the scene. He had left the mercy seat. His work of redemption was finished. And He came forth and took the Book out of the right hand of Him that set upon the throne, and time was no more. And immediately an Angel appeared in the 10th chapter and 7th verse, saying, this Angel came down and swore that time was no longer. But you see, in this Book was what was redeemed; it was the Book of Redemption. And everything that He had redeemed was written in that Book. All that He died for was written in the Book, and He could not leave His mediatorial seat until He had thoroughly redeemed, and He couldn't redeem it at the cross, because they were predestinated in the Lamb's Book of Life, and had to stay on there to make intercession until that last person was finished. Glory. But one day He rose from there, come forth. Where was the Book at? It was still in the abstract Owner, God Almighty.

When these Seven Seals were opened, that opened up the entire Bible. The Seven Seals, it was sealed with Seven Mysteries. And in these Seven Seals, held the entire mystery of it, and it was the Book of Redemption: New Testament, not the Old; it only proclaimed for the New Testament. "They cannot be made perfect without us" (Heb. 11:39-40). See, now the redemption only come when the Redeemer died. And they were potentially under the blood of lambs, not the Redeemer, hadn't been redeemed yet until the Redeemer came. John looked around, and there was no man in heaven, no man on earth, nobody, no Angel, nothing could take the Book or to loose the Seals or to even to look on It. No man was worthy. John said he wept bitterly because there was no man even worthy to look on the Book. And it would especially open the Seals to reveal what the hidden mystery was. The mysteries were in the Seven Seals. Then an Angel came to him, said, "Weep not, John, for the Lion of the Tribe of Juda has prevailed, and He's worthy." (Rev. 5:1-10).

And John looked to see a Lion, and what did he find? A Lamb, and it was a bloody Lamb, a Lamb that had been slain (I Peter 1:18-20). How long? Since the foundation of the world (Rev. 13:8). The Lamb came forth, walked up to Him that had the Book in His right hand, and received the Book, climbed upon the throne and set down. That's it. It was over. When? When the seals were revealed. When the last one that was... Everything that He had redeemed, there was nothing... He come to redeem.

Said, "Why didn't He redeem them forty years ago, two thousand years ago?" Their names were on the Book of Life, in that Book. And He had to stand here, because it was God's purpose to redeem them. Their names were put on the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world. The Lamb was put there with it to be slain. Here come the Lamb that was slain, come back to make intercessions.

Watch Him. There'll be a lot of impersonations, a lot of everything else, but there was really somebody was going to be saved, for the church was predestinated to... Without spot or wrinkle, she's going to be there  $(Eph.\ 5:25-27)$ , and the Lamb died for that purpose. And then when the last name on that Book was redeemed, the Lamb came forth and took the Book. "I'm the one that did it." [9]

See, all in the Lutheran age, He pulled them out. All in the Wesley age, He pulled them out. All in the different ages, the Pentecostal age, He pulls them out. They're over here, won't be judged with them, they're rapturing. And then, when the last name comes out, that was put on the Lamb's Book of Life, that was slain before the foundation of the world; when that last name has been redeemed, His work is finished. He comes forth to claim what He has redeemed. That makes our heart bleed. But if it went on a thousand years later, there would not be one redeemed. And no one can be redeemed unless they were put on the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world. Who are they? I don't know. Nobody else knows, just God alone. I'm trusting that every one of us, our names are on that Book. If mine was on there, I'm sure to be there. If it wasn't, I won't be there; that's all. See, that's just up to God. "It's not him that willeth, him that runneth, but God that showeth mercy." (Rom. 9:14-16). [10]

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