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What Is It About This Melchizedek?

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One of the best reasons I know for believing that the Bible was inspired by the Spirit is that if it had been left to a committee or to some editors or theologians I know, some stories would never have gotten in. The story of Melchizedek is like that. In all the 66 books of the Bible there is just one four-verse reference in Genesis (Genesis 14:18-21) that tells us about Melchizedek. He's never heard of again except for a brief reference in the Psalms and a story in Hebrews.

Abraham had just defeated four kings in a battle, and out of nowhere comes this Melchizedek. He is called a priest of God. He says, "Blessed be [Abraham] by God most high, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God most high, who has delivered your enemies into your hand."

Abraham gives him a 10th of all the spoils, and that's all there is to the story. Except later, Jesus himself is called a priest after the order of Melchizedek (Hebrews 6:20). What do we make of it? Even Hebrews makes a point of saying that he was a priest. Where did this priest come from? How did he get ordained?

I marvel at the skill with which the Spirit puts together the drama of Scripture. A stage play is made up of not only leading roles but also some bit parts. Sometimes it's difficult to distinguish the bit parts from the major role. It's not determined by the length of time the actor spends on the stage. Sometimes there is one function that has to be performed that becomes the key to a lot of other things. We tend to write off a person like that as having a bit part. But in the genius of the author, that bit part may be a leading role, and the effect it has on people may be the stuff of which courage and history are made.

A Melchizedek may be God's way of keeping us humble and in tune with mystery. We like to explain everything. We like it when everything fits together. And then along comes Melchizedek, totally outside the structure. We need structures, boards, committees, agencies, one-year, three-year and five-year plans. They are the human structures through which God works. But we are in danger when we begin to assume they are the only way through which God works.

Some of the important things in life and history have happened when there has been an individual or an idea that went contrary to the usual plan. That does not mean we should throw out all plans. It simply says that the works of God are so much larger than we understand, and we need to be aware of the little surprises with which God wants to bless us.

By Wilfred Bockelman (edited)

SUNDAY

Bible Classes 9:30 am
 Worship 10:30 am
 Devotional 5:00 pm
 Bible Classes 5:20 pm

WEDNESDAY

Bible Classes 7:00 pm
 Devotional 7:45 pm



Monday Night for the Master

Every Monday Night
Come When You Can
6:30-ish to 8:00-ish
Info: David Tenison
or Ben Williams

Planned for This Monday

- ⇒ Pill Bottles for Malawi (see Susan Yeager)
- ⇒ Organize “Back Pack for Kids” - fill bags for the kids
- ⇒ Decorate class rooms
- ⇒ Sorting Teacher’s Workroom (see Debbie Whitchurch)
- ⇒ Letter & card writing

TIME TO GROW AND LEAD

The elders have determined to set before the congregation some opportunities for personal growth. Bobby Hill will be coordinating training classes on Sunday evenings this Fall for those who wish to learn how to serve. If you want to help in these areas, it is expected that you attend these classes.

- **October 25:** Training for Song Leaders (Part Two)
- **November 1:** Training for Song Leaders (Part Three)
- **November 8:** Training for Ushers & Greeters
- **November 15:** Training for Writing/Delivering Devotionals

If you have ideas for more classes like these, please see Bobby Hill.



MARK 10 / BACK PACKS FOR KIDS

The program to provide food for underprivileged children in the Kiefer school district began last week. This is a weekly program and items will need to be replaced on a regular basis. If you would rather contribute financially, there is a container on the visitors desk in the foyer.



Items needed:

- Pop Tarts
- Protein / Granola bars
- Cheez its
- Plastic bags (like wal-mart bags)

HIGH CHAIRS

There are about 3 high chairs in the old foyer area that need a home. Feel free to take one with you.

Sunday, October 25

Fellowship Meal after evening services with soup, salad, sandwiches—
group Path
Youth Devo

Saturday, October 31

Trunk-of-Treats, see Bruce or Bobby for details
Time Changes, move clocks back 1 hour

Sunday, November 8

Youth Devo at the Bullinger’s home

Wednesday, November 25

Services moved to Tuesday night - because of Thanksgiving



IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Darrell Burcham had his kidney stones crushed but he now has a bladder infection. He saw his doctor last week, hopefully he is feeling better. His hip is doing fine.
- Penny Hall's mother, Syble Stone, is in The Gardens room 312. Their address is 1165 S. Brenner Rd / Sapulpa, OK 74066. She would enjoy cards.
- Renee Whitchurch had out patient surgery on her back. Recovery will take a little while.
- Shirley Hood's nephew, Jesse Hullett, had surgery on Friday for an aneurism and mal-formed blood vessels. We hope and pray that all went well.
- **Service men and women:** Jenna Sullivan; Jacob Littlebear

Long Term Prayer List: Eric Vaughan (heart surgery); Henry Lack (dizziness); Gene Bible (Bill Dowdy's uncle, liver cancer); Berta Wheatley (Marcia Hill's mother, stroke); Stephanie White (pain); Caleb Hallsted (kidney); Mary Watson (mini stroke); Ruth Henry;

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Our monthly Fellowship Meal is today after evening services. Please bring, soup, salad or sandwiches. Group Path is responsible for set / clean up.

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

If you know of a family the church can help with a basket of food, please give their name and the number in the household to Keith Riggs by Nov.4th. After we have a count a list of items needed will be posted.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Darrell & Cathy Burcham, Oct 25
Noah Bain, Oct 26
Daniel & Shawna Caddell, Oct 26
Bert Shelby, Oct 26
Keith & Nancy Riggs, Oct 27

Steve Rucquoy, Oct 28
Andrea Russell, Oct 29
Autumn Cadlwell, Oct 29
Jackson Wadkins, Oct 29
Nick White, Nov 2

• Youth Devo this afternoon. Please meet at the building at 3 to go to Braums, then return to the building for a devo and evening services.



- On Sunday, Nov 8th a youth devo and bonfire is being planned at the Bullinger's home, more details coming—see Matt Caldwell for questions.

ELDERS & DEACONS

Elders and Deacons meeting Sunday, Nov 8th at 3:00.

BABY FIGUEIREDO

We are happy to announce that Mike and Rachel Figueiredo are the proud parents of Hope Abigail, born Thursday weighing 7lbs 3oz and 19 1/2" long. All are doing well. Congratulations!

TRUNK-OF-TREATS

We will have the Trunk-of-Treats on Saturday, Oct 31 from 6:30-8:30 pm. There are sign up sheets posted on the bulletin board in the old foyer. This is open to the community.

- ◇ Bring Candy—lots & lots
- ◇ Sign up to Decorate car
- ◇ Sign up to help facilitate
- ◇ Sign up to help feed volunteers
- ◇ Invite some kids
- ◇ For questions see Bruce or Bobby



We need more volunteers and a lot more candy!

PICTURES FOR DIRECTORY

If you wish to have your picture taken for the directory please meet with Karen in the old foyer after morning service.

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Attendance: Last Week

Sunday Bible Classes	132
Sunday AM Worship	171
Sunday PM Worship	94
Wednesday Bible Classes	101

Contribution

Sunday Contribution	\$4,335
Budget	\$4,371
Over Budget	\$11,843
Building Fund	\$5,488

Men To Serve

Sunday Morning

Song Leader	Matt Caldwell
Opening Prayer	Jerry Buller
Scripture Reading	Thomas Hallsted
Closing Prayer	Jeff Bullinger
Lord's Table	Sonny Pulliam
	Harry Reeve
	Jerry Morgan
	David Tenison
	Zac Tenison
	Hayden Bullinger

Sound Booth

Michael Brown
Bill & Deb Path
Johnny & Marcia Riggs

Ushers

Steve Rucquoy
Richard Senn

Lock Building

Bob Simmons and Jim Yeager

Announcements

James Hamilton with Bruce Rothell as back up

Sunday Evening

Song Leader	Matt Caldwell
Opening Prayer	Steve Wetzel
Closing Prayer	Bill Path, Sr.
Lord's Table	Harry Reeve
	Jerry Morgan

Wednesday Evening

Song Leader	Bill Path
Opening Prayer	Jeff Bullinger
Closing Prayer	Ryan McCafferty
Sound Booth	Michael Brown

Shut-in Communion Team Riggs

Communion Preparation

10/18	Nancy Riggs
10/25	Shirley Hill
11/1	Rita Risley
11/8	Renee Whitchurch
11/15	Mickey Hecht
11/22	Barbara Girod

Attended Nursery

10/18	Stephanie & Mackayla
10/25	Tonya & Toni
11/1	Debbie & Autumn
11/8	Bobby & Shirley
11/15	Melissa & Makenzie
11/22	Deb & Sandy



"These were more noble... they searched the scriptures daily..." (Acts 17:11)

Sundays at 7:30 am
Channel 47
In Truth in Love 8:00 am
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Sunday Morning Sermon

"True & Better: Christ the Permanent Priest"
Hebrews 7:23-25
Benjamin Williams

Sunday Evening Devo: Psalm 59

Sunday Evening Adult Class:

"Right or Wrong Moral Conduct"
David Tenison