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"But **this Man** (Jesus), because He continues forever, <u>has an unchangeable priesthood</u>. Therefore He is able also to save **to the uttermost** those who come unto God through Him; seeing He always lives to **make intercession for them**. For He became such a High Priest for us, who is Holy, Innocent, <u>Undefiled</u>, Separate from Sinners, and made to be higher than the heavens; who does not need to daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for His own sins, and then for the people's; for He did this <u>once</u>, <u>when He offered up Himself</u>. (Heb. 7:24-27)

Undefiled: from the Greek word <u>amiantos</u> (an adjective, derived from "<u>a</u> = not" and <u>miaín</u> = to stain, or to defile") which means: <u>not-stained</u>, <u>undefiled</u>, <u>free from contamination</u>; properly, untinted or unstained; figuratively: undefiled because unstained. <u>Not defiled</u>, <u>unsoiled</u>; thus pure, or perfect in all aspects. Free from that by which the nature of a thing is <u>deformed</u> and <u>debased</u>, or its force and <u>vigor impaired</u>" - thus also unblemished.

Recommended reading prior to study: Hebrews 6:13-20; 7:1-28; 8:1-6; Leviticus 21:1-24.

Jesus was, and is Undefiled: As the ancients offered sacrifices that were unblemished, and without defect to God as sin offerings; so also did Jesus offer Himself once as the perfect, unstained, sinless Lamb of God, and yet who became defiled with our sin, and died on the cross for the forgiveness of sin for those who believe on Him. He is now the Lamb of God who now sits at the right hand of the throne of God as our undefiled, unblemished Great High Priest, our Intercessor, and Advocate before the Father. In heaven, Jesus is without stain, or defect, or contamination of any kind: Holy, Innocent, Undefiled. and separated from all sinners.

The Undefiled perpetual Priesthood, of Jesus, reflects some of the requirements, that prohibited various types of defilement by the Aaronic priests, within the Levitical Law. Please read in context Leviticus 21:1-24. Consider the following:

- Just as no priest was to "be <u>defiled by the dead</u> among his people" (vs 1, 11); so also Jesus, our Great High Priest, at His position in heaven at the right Hand of the Father, <u>is</u> not <u>defiled</u> by contact with anyone who is spiritually dead and separate from Christ Jesus. (Heb. 7:24-27)
- Just as no priest was to be defiled by any blemish, or physical defect" when serving in the Temple of God (vs 16-23); so also Jesus, our Great High Priest, Sits at the Right Hand of the Father in the Sanctuary-Temple in Heaven, clothed with His undefiled, imperishable, immortal, glorified, and sanctified body! (Heb. 7:24-27)
- Just as all priests were to be "holy to their God, and not profane" (vs 6); so also the Jesus, our Great High Priest, is Holy and set apart for God at the Right Hand of the Throne of His Majesty - separated from all that is profane and unholy! (Heb. 7:26-27)
- Just as a priest was to marry only a virgin wife (bride) who is undefiled (vs 13-14), so also the bride of Christ shall be clean and righteous! (Revelation 19:7-8)
- Just as the high priest was not to "go out of the Sanctuary, nor profane the Sanctuary (Temple) of his God" (vs 12); so also Jesus, our Great High Priest, currently remains in the Sanctuary of God in heaven, seated at the Right Hand of the Father, interceding for us, until His Second Coming! (Hebrews 8:1-2)
- Just as the high priest is sanctified by God Himself (vs 8,15, 23); so also Jesus, our Great High Priest has been sanctified by God Himself! as it says: "Therefore let all the the house of Israel know assuredly, that God has made this same Jesus, whom you have crucified, both Lord and Christ." (Acts 2:22-36)

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Jesus was, and is altogether undefiled, both as the Lamb of God, and as out Great High Priest! Only for a brief moment did Jesus become defiled – when He took our sins upon Himself while dieing on he Cross. During that brief moment of suffering and darkness the Father separated Himself from His beloved Son Jesus. During this first time ever separation from His Father Jesus cried out in pain an anguish, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me!!"

It was a moment of agony and anguish for both the Son and the Father!

But, all praise and glory to Father and Son, for on the third day Jesus physically came back alive, risen from the dead; holy, innocent, and undefiled; and ascended to the Right Hand of the Father as our glorified Great High Priest. Consider also these passages:

"God, who at various times and in diverse manners spoke in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken unto us through His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; who <u>being the</u>

<u>Brightness of His Glory, and the Express Image of His Person</u>, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, <u>sat down on the Right Hand of the Majesty on High; being made so much better than the angels, since He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent Name than they."

(Hebrews 1:1-4)</u>

"For truly He took <u>not</u> on Himself the nature of angels; but He took on Himself the <u>Seed of Abraham</u>. Therefore in all things it was necessary for Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a <u>Merciful and Faithful High Priest</u> in things pertaining to <u>God</u>, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people." (Hebrews 2:14-17)

As He also says in another place, "You are a Priest Forever after the order of Melchisedec;" (Psalm 110:4) who in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard in that He feared; although He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered; and being made perfect, He became the Author of Eternal Salvation unto all those who obey Him; called of God as a High Priest after the order of Melchisedec." (Hebrews 5:6-10)

"My little children, these things write I unto you, so that you sin not. And if any man sins, we have an **Advocate** with the Father, **Jesus Christ** the Righteous. And He is the Propitiation for our sins: and not for our's only, but also for the sins of the whole world." (1 John 2:1-2)

"Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum of it all: **We have such a High Priest**, who sits on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; a minister of the Sanctuary, and of the True Tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man." (Hebrews 8:1-2)

Jesus is Undefiled

He is <u>our Undefiled</u>, Holy, Glorfied, Immortal, Eternal Great High Priest who sits at the the Right Hand of the Father in the Sanctuary-Temple of God in Heaven!

Jesus you are our Perfect, Righteous, Faithful, and Merciful Advocate ,,, ... before the Majesty on High!

You are the Brightness of His Glory, and the Express Image of His Person!

Always and Always!! Forever and Ever!! Undefiled! Amen and Amen!!