



<p>Hebrews 7:23-25 1</p> <p>Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office; but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood. Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Why do we need a heavenly, permanent Priest who always lives to intercede for us?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank God that Jesus is our heavenly, permanent Priest and intercedes for us!</p>	<p>Exodus 25:8-9 2</p> <p>"Then have them make a sanctuary for me, and I will dwell among them. Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you..."</p> <p>---</p> <p>Why would God want to dwell among His people when He can dwell literally anywhere?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank God that He wants to dwell with you and you to dwell with Him.</p>	<p>John 1:14 3</p> <p>he Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Can you explain why Jesus would leave heaven to come and dwell (or pitch His tent/abide) among us?</p> <p>---</p> <p>As the Lord to help you dwell (or abide) with Him every day.</p>	<p>John 6:35 4</p> <p>Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty..."</p> <p>---</p> <p>Share a time when you were totally satisfied in Jesus, the Bread of Life?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank God that Jesus--and only Jesus--satisfies</p>	<p>John 8:12 5</p> <p>When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."</p> <p>---</p> <p>Are you finding that following Jesus brings the light of life into your days?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Ask The Lord to help you follow hard after Jesus every day.</p>
<p>John 10:7-10 6</p> <p>Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture..."</p> <p>---</p> <p>After trusting in Jesus as your Rescuer and King, how is your life similar to the life of a sheep, safe inside the gate?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank God that Jesus is the gate into His sheepfold.</p>	<p>John 10:10-11 7</p> <p>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.</p> <p>---</p> <p>How did your Good Shepherd lay down His life for you?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Ask the Good Shepherd to help you be willing every day to lay down your life for Him as He did for you.</p>	<p>John 11:25 8</p> <p>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die."</p> <p>---</p> <p>How did Christ's raising of Lazarus back to life--after he was dead four days--punctuate this statement of Jesus?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank the Lord that we have life and resurrection life through Jesus.</p>	<p>Psalms 122:1 9</p> <p>I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."</p> <p>---</p> <p>What is the "house of the LORD" this Psalmist is talking about? What is the "house of the LORD" today? Why is it a joy to go to God's house?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank God for the joy of being with Him and His people.</p>	<p>Joshua 1:5-6 10</p> <p>No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.</p> <p>---</p> <p>How do you think this promise gave Joshua strength for the task of entering and taking the promise land?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Ask the Lord to make this promise real in your life today.</p>
<p>Joshua 21:45 11</p> <p>Not one of all the LORD's good promises to Israel failed; every one was fulfilled.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Which of God's promises are most precious to you?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank God for all of His promises, and that every one of them comes true!</p>	<p>Joshua 1:8-9 12</p> <p>"...Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."</p> <p>---</p> <p>What are your practices to study, meditate, and do the Word of God?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Ask God to strengthen your practices so you can build your life on Jesus, the living Word of God.</p>	<p>Joshua 3:15-16a 13</p> <p>Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, the water from upstream stopped flowing. It piled up in a heap a great distance away.</p> <p>---</p> <p>How would you have felt to be with Joshua and the Israelites on the banks of the Jordan that day?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Thank God for His mighty works in the Bible and in your life as well.</p>	<p>Joshua 4:18 14</p> <p>And the priests came up out of the river carrying the ark of the covenant of the LORD. No sooner had they set their feet on the dry ground than the waters of the Jordan returned to their place and ran at flood stage as before.</p> <p>---</p> <p>How do you think this miracle influenced the Canaanites living in the land?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Ask God to lead you every day so that your life can be all He purposes it to be.</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 30:5 15</p> <p>He will bring you to the land that belonged to your ancestors, and you will take possession of it. He will make you more prosperous and numerous than your ancestors.</p> <p>---</p> <p>Why was it important that God promised to bring His people into the promised land of Israel?</p> <p>---</p> <p>Ask God to help you know and trust in His promises.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">16</p> <p>1 Samuel 2:1-2 Then Hannah prayed and said: "My heart rejoices in the LORD; in the LORD my horn is lifted high. My mouth boasts over my enemies, for I delight in your deliverance. "There is no one holy like the LORD; there is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God." --- Why did Hannah regard her son, Samuel, as a special gift from God? --- Thank God that He answers prayer.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>1 Samuel 2:3 "Do not keep talking so proudly or let your mouth speak such arrogance, for the LORD is a God who knows, and by him deeds are weighed." --- What does God know? --- Thank God that He knows all about you and your family.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>1 Samuel 2:4-5 "The bows of the warriors are broken, but those who stumbled are armed with strength. Those who were full hire themselves out for food, but those who were hungry are hungry no more. She who was barren has borne seven children, but she who has had many sons pines away." --- Why does God often work with unexpected people in unexpected ways? --- Thank God that He is able to do anything with anyone He chooses.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p>1 Samuel 2:6 "The LORD brings death and makes alive; he brings down to the grave and raises up." --- Does it comfort you to know that the power of life and death are in God's hands? --- Thank God that He has power even over life and death.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">20</p> <p>1 Samuel 2:7-8a The LORD sends poverty and wealth; he humbles and he exalts. He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; he seats them with princes and has them inherit a throne of honor. --- What does this verse reveal about God's heart for those in need? --- Ask God to help you seek Him above all things.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">21</p> <p>1 Samuel 2:8b-9a "For the foundations of the earth are the LORD's; on them he has set the world. He will guard the feet of his faithful servants, but the wicked will be silenced in the place of darkness..." --- How important is it to be faithful to the Lord? --- Ask the Lord to help you follow Him faithfully every day.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">22</p> <p>1 Samuel 9b-10 "It is not by strength that one prevails; those who oppose the LORD will be broken. The Most High will thunder from heaven; the LORD will judge the ends of the earth. "He will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed." --- Why would Hannah end her thanksgiving prayer by exalting the Lord's strength over the strength of humans? --- Thank the Lord that His strength overcomes all who oppose Him.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">23</p> <p>Zephaniah 3:17 The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you but will rejoice over you with singing. --- Which of these statements about God's love for you most inspires you to worship Him? --- Use the statement(s) you listed to form a prayer of praise to God.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>Acts 13:22 After removing Saul, he made David their king. God testified concerning him: "I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do." --- What does it take to be a man/woman after God's own heart? --- Ask God to make you a person after His own heart.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>1 Samuel 16:7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." --- What does God see today when He looks at your heart? --- Ask God to keep your heart always pure and always set on Him.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>1 Samuel 16:13 So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David. --- Did David have better access to the Spirit of God than a person who follows Jesus today? --- Ask God to fill you every day with His Spirit and come powerfully on you.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">27</p> <p>Psalms 9:1-2 I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High. --- What are some aspects of worship that are mentioned here? --- Take a moment to worship the Lord.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">28</p> <p>2 Samuel 6:13-14, 17 When those who were carrying the ark of the LORD had taken six steps, he sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf. Wearing a linen ephod, David was dancing before the LORD with all his might, while he and all Israel were bringing up the ark of the LORD with shouts and the sound of trumpets. --- What was so important about bringing the ark of the Lord to Jerusalem? --- Thank God that you have a place to worship Him with His people, and ask Him to keep your heart strong to join others in worship each week.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p>1 Samuel 15:22 But Samuel replied: "Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the LORD? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams." --- Would you rather have someone go through the motions of respect or actually do what you ask them to do? --- Thank God that He is more interested in your heart than in ceremony about Him.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p> <p>Jeremiah 23:5-6 6 "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior." --- How is Jesus the fulfillment of this wonderful promise? --- Thank God for who Jesus is and all that He has done for you.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">31</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Titus 3:5-6 He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior. --- Why would God not save us because of our own righteousness? (righteousness=being totally good) --- Thank God that even though we are unworthy, He gives us the righteousness of Christ!</p>				