

Priesthood 4

The priestly line of Melchizedek which Jesus was of and which we are also to be of, is not based on the inheritance that has come by blood and ancestry. It is based on the inheritance that has come by the blood of the Lamb, to those who have entered into the Life of that blood and have put aside their own, that they might express, through that blood and through that Life, these priestly things.

We must enter the holiest place, called the holy of holies by the blood of Jesus. We have come to think of His blood only in terms of atonement, and indeed it is sufficient to wash away sin, guilt and iniquity, but His blood has done something more. It has opened up a new and living way, inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh.

As I have mentioned earlier, to the measure we are in Christ, is to the measure we are in and live from this holiest place.

Life is in the Blood and Jesus said His Blood was true drink.

John 6:55-56 For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.

Those who abide in Him through the eating of His flesh, true food, and the drinking of His blood, true drink, are the ones who enter into the priestly ministry. To not be abiding, is to not be entering and to not be entering is to not be living as a priest of the order of Melchizedek.

Questions

1. What is your current understanding of the Blood of the Lamb and what it has accomplished for us as His

people?

- 2. The Life that Christ has for us is in His blood and body. What is it to eat and drink of Him?
- 3. How is knowing you are a priest of the order of Melchizedek to impact and affect the way we live now?
- 4. How does living as a priest of this order now, affect the roles and positions we will hold in the age to come?
- 5. What are you being made aware of so far from these 4 resources of becoming a priest of the order of Melchizedek?