

**IF** YOU WILL READ GENESIS 14:18 YOU WILL FIND MENTION OF A MAN BY THE NAME OF MELCHIZEDEK, SPELLED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT MELCHISEDEC. CAN WE LEARN WHO THIS MAN IS? INSTEAD OF STARTING OUR STUDY WITH THE NAME ITSELF, LET US BEGIN WITH FACTS GIVEN TO US IN SCRIPTURE. OFTEN PEOPLE START THEIR SEARCH WITH THE NAME AND TRY TO EXPLAIN AWAY THE DETAILED FACTS OF SCRIPTURE. THE BIBLE DETAILS GREATLY LIMIT WHO THIS PERSON CAN BE REFERRING TO.

★ HEBREWS 7 CT

- 1 For this the Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the God namely-the most-high, the one having-met-together with-Abraham returning from the chopping-in-pieces-of-the kings and [having-] blessed him.
- 2 To-whom also Abraham parted a tithe from all, firstly on-the-one-hand being-translated king of-justice, thereafter on-the-other-hand also king of-Salem, which is king of-peace,
- 3 Without-father, without-mother, without-genealogy, neither beginning of-days nor having finish of-life, but having-resembled-and-still-resembling-to-the Son of-the God, he-is-remaining a priest with-reference-to the perpetuity.
- 4 But YOU-be-observing how-great this-man was to-whom Abraham, the patriarch, gave a tithe also out-of-the chief-spoils.



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- 16 And he brought back all the goods, and also brought back <sup>a</sup>his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.
- 17 And <sup>a</sup>the king of Sodom went out to meet him, after <sup>a</sup>his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer and the kings that were with him, at the vale of Shaveh (the same is <sup>a</sup>the King's Vale).
- 18 And <sup>a</sup>Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth <sup>a</sup>bread and wine: and he was <sup>a</sup>priest of <sup>a</sup>God Most High.
- 19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of <sup>a</sup>God Most High, <sup>a</sup>possessor of heaven and earth: 20 and blessed be <sup>a</sup>God Most High, who hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. <sup>a</sup>And he gave him a tenth of all.

Young's Analytical Concordance gives as the meaning of Melchizedek as "my king is righteous". From Hebrews 7 above we add the titles "king of justice" and "king of peace". The terms, "neither beginning of days, nor having finish of life", indicate deity. The very fact that he received a "tithe" from Abram gives further indication of "deity". I see nothing that makes him an earthly ruler, but a shadow of the Messiah. I conclude that this name refers to "Jesus" in the days before the cross. See "IF" sheets 63&64. See further uses in the NT.

HEBREWS 5 CT

- 5 Thus also the Messiah glorified not himself to-have-become a chief-priest, BUT the one having-spoken to him: You yourself are my Son, I myself today have-begotten you;
- 6 According-as also in a different place he-is-saying: You are a priest with-reference-to the age according-to the arrangement of-Melchisedec. ★
- 7 Who in the days of his flesh having-offered both petitions and supplications with strong clamor and tears to the one being-able to-be-saving him out-of death, and having-been-listened-to from the devoutness,
- 8 Although being a Son, he-learned the obedience from which things he suffered,
- 9 And having-been-made-perfect he-became the reason of-eternal salvation to-all the ones obeying him,
- 10 Having-been-addressed by the God as chief-priest according-to the arrangement of-Melchisedec. ★
- 11 Concerning whom the word is to-be-saying much to-us and difficult-to-interpret, since YOU-have-become-and-still-are-sluggish-to-the reports.

HEBREWS 6 CT

- 20 Where-in-which a forerunner went-in, in-behalf-of us, Jesus, having-become a chief-priest according-to the arrangement of-Melchisedec with-reference-to the age. ★

These are the only uses of the word "form". Melchizedek, I believe, was the "form" of God in the Old Testament of which God "emptied himself" to take on the "form" of the "slave" Jesus. Jesus took a different form in Mark 16:12. Refer to the many "IF" sheets that further discuss these things.

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- 6 Who existing in form of-God considered not the being equal with-God a thing for seizure,
- 7 BUT he-emptied himself having-taken form of a slave, having-become in similitude of-MEN;

HEBREWS 7 CT

- 10 For he-was still in the loins of-the father when Melchisedec met-together with-him.
- 11 If on-the-one-hand therefore perfectness was through the Levitical priestly-office, for upon it the people has-been-given-and-still-is given-the-law, what need still a different priest to-be-standing-up according-to the arrangement of-Melchisedec and he is to-be-being-said not according-to the arrangement of-Aaron?
- 15 And it-is still more-exceedingly obvious, if a different priest is-himself-standing-up according-to the similarity of-Melchisedec. ★
- 16 Who has not become-and-still-is according-to a law of a fleshy commandment BUT according-to power of an indestructible life.
- 17 For it-is-being-witnessed that: you are a priest with-reference-to the age according-to the arrangement of Melchisedec. ★

- 21 On-the-other-hand the one with taking-an-oath through the one saying-to him: Jehovah swore, and he-will not regret it, you are a priest with-reference-to the age according-to the arrangement of-Melchisedec. ★
- 22 According-to this-much also Jesus has-become-and-still-is surety of a better covenant.

MARK 16 CT

- 12 But after these-things he-was-manifested in a different form to-two out-of them walking-around proceeding into a field.