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The word Melchizedek comes from Molech = King and ZedeK = righteousness. So Melchizedek = King of righteousness. Genesis 14 Verse 18 speaks of El Elyon - God most high. As a priest, Melchizedek represented El Elyon. (Hebrews 5:6; Hebrews 7:4,17) Perpetual priesthood. (Hebrews 7:1-3,16) Levitical priest was only so because he could prove his genealogy. The order of Melchizedek is based upon the power of an indestructible life. Who was this man? Was he greater than Abram? (Hebrews 2:4) Clearly states he is a man. Was he the preincarnate revelation of our Master? (Genesis 3:8; Genesis 18:1) Were these also preincarnate revelations of our Master? How can the potter get into the pot? Could this be to help Judah get over the stumbling block of the Levitical priesthood?

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All of Israel was intended to be a priesthood. (Exodus 13:5-6) Priest is one who intercedes between man and his Creator. Israel was to be the light of the nations. The nations were to see in Israel the character of our God. But only the tribe of Levi was willing to lay down their life and step across the line. They alone gave their heart to this purpose. So our God had to use the Levitical priesthood to demonstrate His character to the very nation that was supposed to demonstrate His character to the world.

But the priesthood of Yahshua (Melchizedek) was greater than the priesthood of Levi. (Exodus 32)

The Levitical priesthood was merely remedial. The Jews would have brought the Levitical priesthood over into the New Covenant had it not been for Psalm 110 and Hebrews 7. In the new covenant, everyone must be a priest. This was our Father's original intent -for Israel. It is His intent -for Israel today. How do we know what Yahshua is like? Through the priesthood. The body of Messiah. The power of the Melchizedek priesthood is in an indestructible life. His authority was not established on the law of Moses -- physical requirement of family ties. We can't draw near to Yahshua of the basis of fulfillment of physical requirements. The oath of our Father and the covenant is sealed in the blood of Yahshua. (Psalm 110) -- the oath of our Father is immutable. This should deal with our insecurity. The type of Melchizedek has been set for the priesthood of Yahshua. Apart from this type, Yahshua would not have known his priesthood.

He was not born with an understanding of His purpose nor a remembrance of His prior existence with His Father. Everything He had was given to Him by the Holy Spirit after His birth just like us. He forsook everything that came before His birth. Through His priesthood, we can draw near to the throne of grace. (Hebrews 10:21) (I Peter 2:9) royal priesthood = priesthood where the ruler ship and priestly functions are combined. The government and the priesthood are together. This was our Father's heart at first, but Levi was the only one which was willing to give itself to the unity of the brotherhood. This is what we are called back to. We must give up everything so that our only identity is in Yahshua only. We rule primarily over our own heart. We must sever the root of our participation in the race of Adam. How many have come and gone because they have not done this?

When Israel called for a King there came a division between the government and the grace of priesthood. This grieved Yahweh because He wanted to be their King. He would rule over

those who had faith. Against our Father's plan of training them to rule as priests. Looking to King removes us from our responsibility to learn to rule. Look at Romans 11 and 12 in light of this. "Don't withhold anything!" Great consequence for not heeding this urge of Shaul. (Romans 1:5) "grace and apostleship" (2 Corinthians 2:14-16) Who is adequate for such a tremendous calling? Only one who is receiving grace from heaven.

Israel has never seen a priesthood like the royal priesthood. Each age has a representative of the age to come. Before the royal priesthood -- the Levitical priesthood. It spoke as a type of what was to come. Royal priesthood leads to the seventh day. The seventh day represents the eighth day. Priesthood of Melchizedek should have led to royal priesthood. Instead and remedial priesthood was needed in Levi. (Psalm 110) The scepter is His people. The Levitical priesthood was separated but not against much opposition. We must rule in the very midst of our enemies.

Every sin imaginable must be overcome in the body of Messiah. Then they can be overcome later. The royal priesthood sacrifices to live for one inch of ground a day. (Proverbs 13:11) Just as we are only foretaste of the Kingdom. (Malachi 2:5) Covenant of Levi is one of life and peace. This covenant must continue on in this age or there will be no restoration. All Israel must be like this and take sword to the flesh. (Exodus 32:27-29) This is what the first church didn't do. (Malachi 2:2-3) This curse did come upon them. This could also happen to us if we don't do (Colossians 1:18; Malachi 1:11.) Every morning we must renew the covenant with Levi. We must give ourselves to gathering manna every morning. Levi wanted to do anything to be clean. We must be this way. The entrance requirements are the same. Clean break with anything that will prevent me from ministering in this temple. We must participate in sufferings of Messiah to attain to the first resurrection (Philippians

3:10-11). 2 Timothy 4:7 came years later when he faced death without fear of standing before Yahshua. (Malachi 3:3) This is how Paul made it to 2 Timothy 4:7 from Philippians 3:11. Levi demonstrates the specialist class. Abomination -- Christianity is this way. A select minority ministers the life of the anointing. Melchizedek is the order of Yahshua in which all must speak life to others. You must speak His heart and not wait for the specialists. (Revelation 13:10) "The evidence of Yahshua is the spirit of prophesy." The gifts is the evidence. If we want our name written in the book of life, we must speak to one another. (Malachi 3:16; Romans 10:17) The only way to build the temple is by speaking. When we speak two things happen 1) we build one another's faith and 2) we build our own faith.

Faith is not believing something we know isn't true. It comes from hearing from our Father speaking. Commitment is the evidence of love because it will stand the test. If we knew at the start all we would suffer, would it really be love? (Zechariah 7:9-15) The two offices coming together again.

(I Corinthians 14:24-25) The evidence of Yahshua is the spirit of prophesy. We must cross over the line to Moses every day.