

The Book of Hebrews
The Reason That Jesus Is Superior To Aaron
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Jesus has a better ministry than Aaron (Heb 8:1-6a)

- Jesus' ministry is better because of:
 - His person and position
(v 1; Eph 1:18-23; Heb 10:11)
 - His sanctuary and sacrifice
(vs 2-6a; Heb 5:1; 9:24; Psalm 102:19)

Jesus mediates a better covenant (Heb 8:6b-13)

- His superior ministry gives evidence of:
 - a superior covenant (v 6-7; Heb 9:15)
 - based on superior promises
(v 6-7; Deut 7:12; chapters 28-30))
 - A New Covenant was predicted by Jeremiah that would be different in nature from the Old Covenant (vs 8-9; Jer 31:31-34; Exo 19:7; Gen 12:1-4; Gal 3:7)
 - This New Covenant would be based on "better" promises that:
 1. it would be inward and dynamic, not outward and powerless (v 10a-b; Eze 36:26-27)

2. it would produce a privileged and intimate relationship between God and His people
(v 10c; Titus 3:4-6 ; 1 John 3:1-2)
 3. it would result in direct knowledge of God
(v 11; John 16:12-14; 1 John 2:20; 26-27)
 4. it would bring complete forgiveness, not just covering of sins
(v 12; 10:1-4, 17-18; 1 John 2:1-2)
- The arrival of the new covenant signals the replacement of the old covenant (v 13)

Point: The High Priestly Ministry of Jesus Christ is superior to Aaron because He serves in a better sanctuary, offers a better sacrifice and mediates a better covenant.