

## A SERIES OF DEVOTIONS BASED ON THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

### TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

Hebrews 8:1-2 “Now the main point of what we are saying is this: We do have such a high priest, who sat down at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, and who serves in the sanctuary, the true tabernacle set up by the Lord, not by a mere human being.”

Perhaps you have heard the commercial on T.V. where a company says, “We are taking care of business.” They are trying to convey to you the message they know why you come to them for their product or service and in turn they are the best at doing what you expect from them. What you expect they are going to deliver.

Hebrews 8:1-2 is in a sense telling you that in emphasizing that Jesus is the high priest, far superior to all of them who preceded Him, He is now seated at God’s right hand taking care of business. The last chapter and this chapter present to you what it means for you that Jesus it is that Jesus does as your high priests.

The first point within the main point is that Jesus **IS** your high priest. The verb tense is so important because it emphasizes that what is said about Him in His role as high priest is not something regarding the past, nor the future, but at this very moment. Think of what this means for you. Jesus is sitting at the right hand of God right now, this very moment, hearing your prayers and taking them to your heavenly Father. He is hearing your confession of sins, recognizing your penitence, and then taking your plea for forgiveness to Yahweh asking Him to forgive you because of His sacrificial payment for them on Good Friday.

The second point within the main point is that Jesus is ministering in the heavenly sanctuary. Again, He ministers from a sanctuary not made with human hands, but one created by God. It is not blemished with the sins of humans who built it, but is holy because God created it. The Greek word for minister means that Jesus carries out His office of priest in service to His Father and also for your benefit and blessing. He not only died and rose again for you, but even now continues to serve you to meet your every need.

Jesus is taking care of everything His Father appointed Him to do!

Prayer: Grant me faith to trust You dear Jesus to do all Your Father appointed you to do in my behalf. In Your holy name. Amen.

Jesus is my great High Priest; Bears my name upon His breast;  
And that we may never part, I am sealed upon His heart.

All my sins were on Him thrown; He for them did once atone;  
He did all my debts discharge, And has set my soul at large.

By His own atoning blood, He my wounded spirit cured;  
Washed and made me white as snow; Cleansed me well from top to toe.

He the vail has rent in twain; Through His flesh I enter in;  
And with Him forever rest, In the Lord's most holy place.

He has bought me with His blood; Reconciled my soul to God;  
Made me meet for glory too, And will bring me safely through.  
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