

55. Melchizedek Victory Offering for Abraham

Genesis 14:17-20 CEV

Abram returned after he had defeated King Chedorlaomer and the other kings. Then the king of Sodom went to meet Abram in Shaveh Valley, which is also known as King's Valley.

King Melchizedek of Salem was a priest of God Most High. He brought out some bread and wine and said to Abram:

"I bless you in the name of God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth.

All praise belongs to God Most High for helping you defeat your enemies."

Then Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of everything.

Hebrews 7:1-4 CEV

Melchizedek was both king of Salem and priest of God Most High. He was the one who went out and gave Abraham his blessing, when Abraham returned from killing the kings. Then Abraham gave him a tenth of everything he had.

The meaning of the name Melchizedek is "King of Justice." But since Salem means "peace," he is also "King of Peace." We are not told that he had a father or mother or ancestors or beginning or end. He is like the Son of God and will be a priest forever. Notice how great Melchizedek is! Our famous ancestor Abraham gave him a tenth of what he had taken from his enemies.



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| ABRAM | JUSTICE | PRAISE |
| ANCESTOR | KILLING | PRIEST |
| BELONGS | KINGS | RETURNED |
| BREAD | KNOWN | SALEM |
| DEFEAT | MEANS | SHAVEH |
| ENEMIES | MELCHIZEDEK | SODOM |
| FAMOUS | MOST | TAKEN |
| FOREVER | NOTICE | TENTH |
| GREAT | OTHER | WENT |
| HIGH | PEACE | WINE |