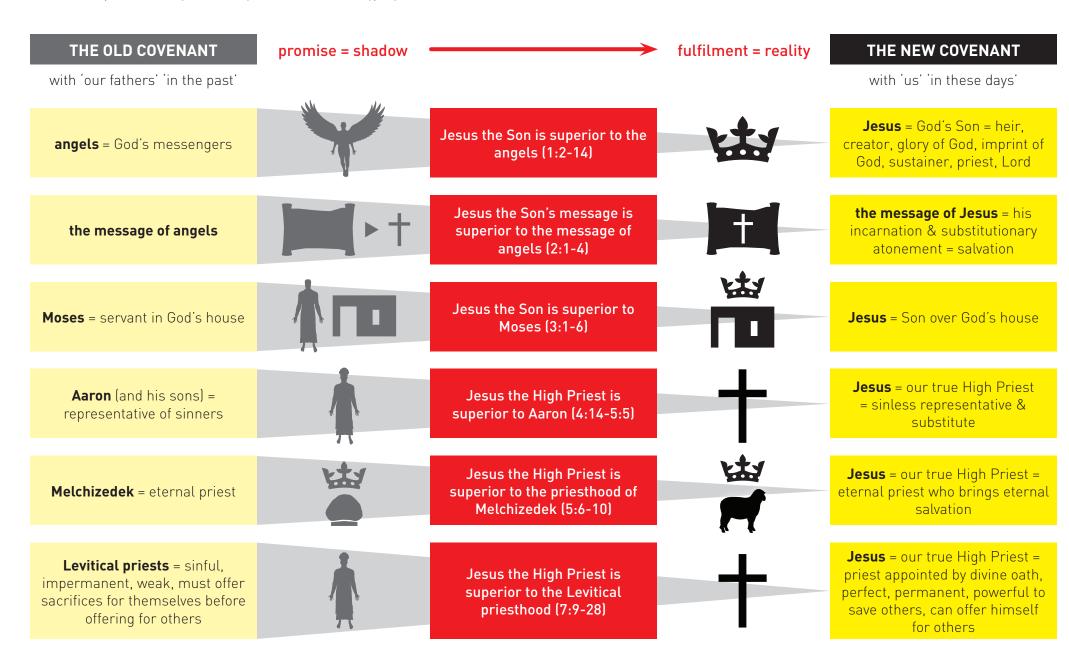
JESUS IS BETTER THE SHADOW & THE REALITY IN HEBREWS

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THE OLD COVENANT

promise = shadow

fulfilment = reality

THE NEW COVENANT

with 'our fathers' 'in the past'

Levitical priests = serve in human tent on earth = copy & shadow



Jesus' place of service is superior to that of the Levitical priesthood (8:1-6; 9:1-5)



Jesus = our true High Priest =

with 'us' 'in these days'

serves at divine throne in heaven = original & reality

Levitical priests = mediate old covenant = ineffective & obsolete



Jesus' covenant is superior to that of the Levitical priesthood (8:7-13; 9:6-10)



Jesus = our true High Priest = mediates new covenant = effective & eternal

Levitical priests = blood of animals in earthly tent, repeated sacrifices, no true redemption, outward cleansing only



Jesus' sacrifical blood is superior to that of the Levitical priesthood (9:11-28)



Jesus = our true High Priest = own blood in heaven itself, single sacrifice, eternal redemption, inward forgiveness & purification

Levitical priests = bodies of animals, continual & many, reminder of sin, no lasting sanctification or perfection, stand daily to serve



Jesus' sacrificial body is superior to that of the Levitical priesthood (10:1-18)



Jesus = our true High Priest = own body, singular & once for all, takes away sin, eternal sanctification & perfection, sits down at right hand of God

God's old covenant people = examples of faith



Jesus is superior to the people of God (11:1 – 12:3)



Jesus = God's Son = the founder & perfecter of our faith, endured the cross, seated with God

Sinai = earthly mountain, terror & fear toward God, laws & penalties = condemnation from God



Jesus' New Covenant is superior to the Old Covenant as symbolised by Sinai & Zion (12:18-24)



Zion = heavenly mountain, grace & kindness in the presence of God, forgiveness & cleansing in the blood of Jesus