

# Hebrews 8:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

## Analysis

'Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum' introduces the epistle's central point—'We have such an high priest.' This high priest is 'set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens,' fulfilling Psalm 110:1. His session (sitting) indicates completed work; His location (right hand) indicates supreme honor; His position (throne) indicates sovereign authority.

## Historical Context

The session at God's right hand was the ultimate exaltation. No Levitical priest ever sat in the tabernacle—their work was never finished. Christ's sitting demonstrates His sacrifice was perfect and complete.

## Related Passages

**1 John 4:8** — God is love

**John 15:13** — Greatest form of love

## Study Questions

1. What difference does it make that your High Priest sits at God's right hand rather than continually offering sacrifices?

2. How does Christ's exalted position give you confidence in His ability to help you?

## Interlinear Text

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Κεφάλαιον	δὲ	ἐπὶ	τοῖς	λεγομένοις	τοιοῦτον	
this is the sum	Now	of	G3588	the things which we have spoken	such	
G2774	G1161	G1909		G3004	G5108	
ἔχομεν	ἀρχιερέα	ὅς	ἐκάθισεν	ἐν	δεξιᾷ	τοῦ
We have	an high priest	who	is set	in	the right hand	G3588
G2192	G749	G3739	G2523	G1722	G1188	
θρόνου	τῆς	μεγαλωσύνης	ἐν	τοῖς	οὐρανοῖς	
of the throne	G3588	of the Majesty	G3588	in	the heavens	
G2362		G3172	G1722		G3772	

## Additional Cross-References

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**Colossians 3:1** (Parallel theme): If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

**Hebrews 1:3** (Parallel theme): Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

**Revelation 3:21** (Parallel theme): To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

**Hebrews 12:2** (Parallel theme): Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Hebrews 2:17** (Parallel theme): Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.

**Hebrews 10:12** (Parallel theme): But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

**Psalms 104:1** (Parallel theme): Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty.

**Psalms 21:5** (Parallel theme): His glory is great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him.

**1 Chronicles 29:11** (Parallel theme): Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

**Micah 5:4** (Parallel theme): And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

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