### Hebrews

## Chapter 8

1But the main point of everything is this:  
  
We have a High Priest who’s sitting on the right-hand side of the throne of Majesty in the heavens. 2He’s become a servant of the Most Holy, but in the real Tent built by God Tent built by God<sup class="difference">[Syr], not man.  
  
3And since every appointed High Priest must bring gifts and sacrifices, [Jesus] must have something to offer too.  
  
4However, if he was [still] here upon the Earth, he wouldn’t be a Priest, because there are [already] Priests who are [appointed] by the Law to offer gifts. 5Now, when they handle these duties, they’re following a pattern that’s a shadow of [how it’s done] in the heavens... Yes, just like it was said to Moses (when he was about to finish the [Sacred] Tent):  
  
 ‘Be sure to assemble everything by the pattern you were shown on the mountain.’ [Exodus 25:40]  
  
6But now Jesus the Anointed One has received a much better assignment, in the same way as he’s become the mediator of a better Sacred Agreement – which is given with better promises too!  
  
7Of course, if the first [Agreement] had been without problems, then there wouldn’t have been any need for a second one. 8But [notice that God] had a problem with the people, for He said:  
  
 ‘{Look!} The time is coming,’ says Jehovah, ‘when I’ll make a new Sacred Agreement with the Houses of IsraEl and Judah 9that’s unlike the Agreement that I made with their fathers when I took them by the hand and led them out of Egypt.  
  
 ‘But because they didn’t keep their [side of] the agreement, I stopped caring for them,’ says Jehovah.  
  
 10‘So, this is the Agreement that I’m going to make with the House of IsraEl at that time,’ says Jehovah.  
  
 ‘I will put My laws in their minds and write them in their hearts. Then, they’ll be My people and I’ll be their God.  
  
 11‘So at that time, no one who lives in the land will have to teach their neighbors and brothers and tell them to know of Jehovah.  
  
 ‘For from their least to their greatest, they’ll all know Me. 12Then I’ll be merciful towards their unrighteous ways, and I’ll forget all their sins.’  
  
 [Jeremiah 31:31-34, LXX]  
  
13So when he called it ‘new,’So when he called it ‘new,’<sup class="difference">[Syr] He [automatically] made the former one, ‘old’... And whatever’s grown old and obsolete is soon destroyed.