

CHRIST, the Perfect Mediator

God's Presence is Dangerous, So We Need a Mediator

Deut. 5:22-27, NASB

²² "These words the Lord spoke to your whole assembly at the mountain from the midst of the fire, from the cloud, and from the thick darkness, with a great voice, and He added nothing more. He wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me. ²³ And when you heard the voice from the midst of the darkness, while the mountain was burning with fire, you approached me, all the heads of your tribes and your elders. ²⁴ You said, 'Behold, the Lord our God has shown us His glory and His greatness, and we have heard His voice from the midst of the fire; we have seen today that God speaks with mankind, yet he lives. ²⁵ Now then, why should we die? For this great fire will consume us; if we hear the voice of the Lord our God any longer, then we will die! ²⁶ For who is there of humanity who has heard the voice of the living God speaking from the midst of the fire, as we have, and lived? ²⁷ Go near and listen to everything that the Lord our God says; then speak to us everything that the Lord our God speaks to you, and we will listen and do it.'

God Graciously Provides a Mediator to Hear His Word and Teach It to His People

Deut. 5:28-33, NASB

²⁸ "Now the Lord heard the sound of your words when you spoke to me, and the Lord said to me, 'I have heard the sound of the words of this people which they have spoken to you. They have done well in all that they have spoken. ²⁹ If only they had such a heart in them, to fear Me and keep all My commandments always, so that it would go well with them and with their sons forever! ³⁰ Go, say to them, "Return to your tents." ³¹ But as for you, stand here by Me, that I may speak to you all the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments which you shall teach them, so that they may follow them in the land which I am giving them to possess.' ³² So you shall be careful to do just as the Lord your God has commanded you; you shall not turn aside to the right or to the left. ³³ You shall walk ^[t]entirely in the way which the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and that it may be well for you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you will possess.

We Can Now Come Boldly Before God Through Christ the Perfect Mediator

Hebrews 4:10, 12, 14-16 NASB

¹⁰ For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His.

¹² For the word of God is living and active, and sharper than any two-edged sword, even penetrating as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

¹⁴ Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.