HEBREWS 8; December 3; The New Covenant Is Spiritual

ANALYSIS: 1. What is the apostle's 3-fold summary of Christ as a high priest?	
2. What does every high priest offer?	_
3. How was the earthly tabernacle related to heavenly things?	
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5. What was the old covenant ready to	o do?

4. What is the basis or nature of the new covenant the Lord said He

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

would make with the house of Israel?

Can you imagine how exciting the basis or nature of the new covenant must have sounded to the Jews? The old covenant offered promises based on the conditions: "if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my command then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people" (Ex 19:5). But how were they to obey, where would their power come from for obedience? Israel fell and the Lord found "fault with them" (Heb 8:8a). But the new covenant begins with God writing His laws in their minds and hearts in spiritual regeneration (v 10). God will establish a lasting personal relationship with each one. He forgives sin graciously and unconditionally based on the finished redemption of Christ.

Do not fault God for any of your sins or failures to do His perfect will. Confess your sin(s), draw nigh to God in surrender, and trust Him for enablement to obey. Repeat the above steps as often as needed! But do not delay and waste time and miss His blessings.

HELP:

- 1. He is set on the right hand of the throne of the majesty in the heavens, a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle (vs 1-2).
- 2. Gifts and sacrifices (v 3).
- 3. The earthly tabernacle was made after the example and shadow of heavenly things (v 5).
- 4. God said: I will put my laws into their mind, and write them on their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be my people (v 10). 5. Vanish away (v 13).