

Selected Definitions

Hebrews 7:4-28

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- 7:10** **loins** (*osphus*). “come forth from someone’s loins = be someone’s son or descendants Hebrews 7:5.”
- 7:11** **order** (*taksis*). “**4 an arrangement in which someone or something functions, arrangement, nature, manner, condition, outward aspect**... Perhaps it is in this way that Hebrews understood Psalm [110]:4b, which the author interprets to mean that Jesus was a high priest ... according to the nature of = just like Melchizedek i.e. like the type of arrangement made for the functioning of Melchizedek : 5:6, 10; 6:20; 7:11a, 17, 21 v.l. In any case the reference is not only to the higher ‘rank’, but also to the entirely different nature of Melchizedek’s priesthood as compared with that of Aaron 7:11b.”
- 7:22** **guarantor** (*egguos*). “**pertaining to assurance for the fulfillment of something, under good security**... of a better covenant Hebrews 7:22.”
- 7:25** **uttermost** (*pantelés*). “**1 pertaining to meeting a very high standard of quality or completeness, completely**. ...The Armenian version understands ... Hebrews 7:25 in this sense; so also many later interpreters. ... **2 pertaining to unlimited duration of time, forever, for all time**... Hebrews 7:25 is understood in this sense by the Vulgate, Syriac and Coptic versions, and many moderns.”