

Hebrews 7:14 (1)

The book of Hebrews was written especially to Jewish Christians--people who were knowledgeable of the old law (law of Moses). Hebrews 7:12-14 says, *For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law. For He of whom these things are spoken belongs to another tribe, from which no man has officiated at the altar. For it is evident that our Lord arose from Judah, of which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood.*

Few people like change, especially if they did not choose it. The Jews did not like to hear that to follow God they must change from following the old law to following the new law (the gospel). To show that this is a necessary change, the text shows that Jesus is a priest, but that He could not be a priest according to Moses' law. Because Jesus was a priest, this proved there was *a change of the law*. But what verse in the old law said that someone from Judah could not be priest? Verse 14 says that *Moses spoke nothing* about Judah *concerning priesthood* (see Deut. 21:5). Think about that and we will study this more in next week's article (or read more at our website today).