

How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people (NASB; Heb. 2:17).

But He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD (NASB; Heb. 10:12).

But Jesus, . . . because He continues forever, holds His priesthood permanently. Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them (NASB; Heb. 7:24-25).

Christ executes the office of a priest in offering up Himself as the once-for-all sacrifice to satisfy Divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

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