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second tabernacle, which is heaven, there is but one agent to be employed—but one who hath royal commission to deal between God and men—that angel of the presence, as Isaiah calls him. (Is. lxiii. 9.) And only one mediator, Jesus Christ the Lord of Glory, who in this prerogative is above saints and angels; for to which of the saints or angels said God at any time, “Sit on my right hand till I make thine enemies thy footstool?” (Heb. i.) And again: “As in the law none but the High Priest *alone* was to do office in the holiest place, so Christ Jesus *now* is the only agent for whatsoever is to be done for us in the holiest tabernacle of the heavens.” (Heb. ix.) “Besides, we read that none but the High Priest alone was to offer incense, or to incense the most holy place when he entered it; but incense is the prayers of the saints, (Rev. viii.), sent thither from this outward temple of the militant church, as the incense in the law was fetched from without the veil: this, therefore, none in heaven but Christ alone must receive from us to offer for us.” (Mede, book 3, 788.)

For the sake of brevity, I have clipped the wings of this analogical argument, but the very learned writer anteriorly enters into a disquisition on the mysterious nature of the Melchizedec order of priesthood, and the unique character of that personage—his appointment to be the priest of the most high God, without any intervention on the part of man, and the superiority of his office, as such, compared with the priesthood of Aaron, who, and his successors in that office under the law of Moses, could only and *alone* enter, into the Adytum within the veil, where, in his alone typical character, he made intercession for the church and people of God; all which things were according to the admonition given unto Moses, figures of the eternal Priesthood of our Lord himself, when through His body He entered into the most holy place in the heavens, there in that alone “*onemost*” character “to appear in the presence of God for us,” “to make intercession for us.”