

Sermon Questions

Hebrews 4:14-5:10

The author of Hebrews continues to demonstrate that Jesus Christ is the greatest. This week we learned that Jesus Christ is the greatest high priest, which begs three questions for us to ask and examine. First, what is a high priest? Next Why is Jesus Christ the great high priest? Finally, what is the benefit of Jesus Christ being our great high priest. Asking and answering these questions will help us understand how fortunate we are to have Jesus Christ mediate on our behalf.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Our Great High Priest

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What is a high priest? (5:1-4)

- **A man**
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- **Submitted to God's designated appointment**
- **Ministered as an intermediary between men and God**
- **Genuinely sympathized with the weakness of humanity**
- **Offered sacrifices on behalf of sinners**

Why is Jesus Christ the great high priest? (5:5-10)

- **A man through the incarnation**
- **Submitted to God's designated appointment from eternity past**
- **Ministered as an intermediary between men and God reverently**
- **Genuinely sympathized with the weakness of humanity perfectly**
- **Offered a once and for all sacrifice on the cross for sinners**

What is the benefit of Jesus Christ being our High Priest? (4:14-16)

- **He is our mediator in heaven praying for you to boldly come now and receive from Him**

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [HERE](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. What did the priests in Israel do? What did the high priest do? What are some of the qualifications for being a high priest?
2. Why did the high priest need to be appointed by God? Why could a man not simply choose the job of high priest?
3. How was the high priest an intermediary? What is the difference between a prophet and a priest? Why was a priest able to sympathize with the weaknesses in humanity?
4. What was the significance of the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur)? What did the high priest do on that day? What would the high priest do before entering the Holy of Holies and what would he do while he was in God's presence? Why was covering sins so important for the nation of Israel?
5. How did Jesus Christ meet the qualifications for being our great high priest? How did He become a man if He is God? When was He appointed to this role? How did He minister as an intermediary between us and God? How did He sympathize with the weakness of humanity?
6. What was the significance of Jesus Christ's death on the cross? How did His ONE sacrifice differ from the continually sacrifices of the priests? What is the difference between covering sin and cleansing sin? How does Jesus Christ cleanse us from sin?
7. What happened to the veil that separated the Holy of Holies from the temple when Jesus died? What does the torn veil communicate to us? How does having consistent access to God's presence through Jesus Christ make a difference in your life?
8. What is one of Jesus Christ's primary ministries in the life of the believer? How encouraged do you feel that Jesus Christ lives to make intercession for you? Read 1 Timothy 1:5. Who else can mediate between us and God? If Jesus Christ is the only one who can grant access to the Father then how true is the Gospel?

9. If God grants mercy and grace at just the right time, then why do we hesitate coming to the throne of God to receive His grace? How should we approach His throne? Why are you waiting to boldly come to Christ if He is ready for you?

10. What is your biggest take-a-way from this week's message? What do you need to start doing, stop doing or start doing differently as a result of this week's message?