

The Gift of Intimacy with the Almighty

Hebrews 4:14-16

Jesus serves sympathetically to let us _____.

Inviting qualities and qualifications:

1. Jesus has the _____ of the _____ High Priest to *draw us near!*

"We have a great high priest"

a. **Authority:** He is more than a _____-priest. Hebrews 7:11-19

*...another priest... a **better hope, through which we draw near to God.***

• _____ 1:2

• _____ 1:3

• _____

• _____ 1:8

• _____ 1:8 & 7:17-19

Apply: Go right to the top! Is it time to _____ your priest - from _____ to _____?

b. **Authenticity:** He is more than a _____ priest. 8:3-5

*For every **high priest... who serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things...***

*...**gifts and sacrifices** are offered **which cannot make the worshiper perfect in conscience...** 9:8-12*

*...**the copies ... a mere copy of the true one ...** 9:23-25*

Apply: Get the *real deal!* Are you trusting an _____ Savior?

c. **Accessibility:** He is more than a _____ priest

• **He broke down the _____.**

*...fire came out from the presence of the Lord & **consumed them.***

Leviticus 10:1-3

*...lest the Lord break forth upon them and **they perish...** Exodus 19*

*...the Lord **burned** toward Uzzah and **struck him, and he died** there before the ark of God. 2 Samuel 6:6*

• **He became THE _____.** *For there is one God and one*

mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus! 1 Timothy 2:5

2. Jesus has the _____ as a _____, high priest to *draw us near!*

...a high priest...sympathize...tempted in all things as we are...

*...made like His brethren... become a **merciful AND faithful High priest.** 2:17-18*

a. Jesus has a heart of _____. *sym - _____ pathos - _____*

b. Jesus offers us _____ and _____.

c. Jesus offers _____ in _____.

Challenge: What are you going to do to *draw near*?

• This is the season/day to _____ in _____. Heb. 7:25

...how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? 2:3

"TODAY IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE, DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS..." 3:7-8

• Every day is an invitation to _____ in _____.

...we have confidence...by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way ... we have a great priest over the house of God ... let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith. 10:19-25

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1. Jesus has the superiority of the Great High Priest to draw us near!

"We have a great high priest"

a. **Authority:** He is more than a mini-priest. Hebrews 7:11-19

*...another priest... a **better hope, through which we draw near to God.***

- Creator 1:2
- Upholder 1:3
- Redeemer
- Ruler 1:8
- Eternal 1:8 & 7:17-19

Apply: Go right to the top!

Is it time to upsized your priest - from mini to mega?

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a. Jesus has a heart of sympathy. *sym - with pathos - suffer*

b. Jesus offers us mercy and grace.

c. Jesus offers help in time of need.

Challenge: What are you going to do to draw near?

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