

Use this guide to help your community group engage further with this week's sermon.

# Our Great High Priest (Hebrews 5:1-10) August 17, 2025

# 1. Consider one of these questions to start your conversation:

- a. What stood out to you from this sermon/passage?
- b. Why do you think many religions have a priestly role?

# 2. Read Hebrews 5:1-10 and answer these questions.

- a. What qualities and actions were necessary for high priests?
- b. How does Jesus compare to all other high priests?
- c. What does it mean that Jesus was appointed by God and not self-appointed or appointed by popular vote?
- d. How does this passage relate Jesus to suffering and sin?

#### 3. Reflect on this passage by discussing these questions:

- a. How does knowing that Jesus sympathizes with your weaknesses affect your view of Him?
- b. Have you ever experienced suffering that led to spiritual growth, deeper obedience, or increased dependence on Christ? Explain.
- c. What does Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane (Luke 22:40-46) teach you about trusting God in hard times?

# 4. Apply this passage and sermon to your life by discussing these questions:

- a. On a typical day, who or what do you look to as your high priest–your mediator and source of grace? What evidence do you have to prove this?
- b. How can you draw near to God's throne of grace this week (Heb. 4:14-16)? What might be preventing you?
- c. What would your life look like if you lived daily in light of Jesus' priestly role? What needs to change or be maintained in your life to live like this?

# 5. Pray for one another and consider singing "Great Is Thy Faithfulness."

- a. How would you like us to pray for you in light of this discussion?
- b. Who is someone in your life that could be encouraged by this passage?