

Part 1

WE HAVE

A Great High Priest

Hebrews 4:14-16

14 Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin. 16 Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

1 Timothy 2:3-6

3 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, 4 who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave himself as a ransom for all men--the testimony given in its proper time.

John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Hebrews 1:3

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

Message notes:

Every believer needs a _____. You will not become a believer without a priest.

_____ that you ever receive from God comes through Christ as our High Priest.

Jesus couldn't become our High Priest if he hadn't first become the _____.

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There is _____ without a priest.

We have a priest that is sitting down because He _____.

The writer of Hebrews explodes with this confidence that _____ a great high priest.

It doesn't do any good to know that if you're not _____ the ministry and accomplishments of the Great High Priest.

When you recognize who we have as a Great High Priest, you can _____.

Discussion Questions:

What does it mean to you to have Jesus as our Great High Priest?

Why is it so important for us to have confidence in Hebrews 4:14-16?

What is the significance of Jesus sitting down in Hebrews 1:3?

How does knowing that your High Priest has cleansed the affects of sin off of you change how you live?

What is the difference between knowing about Jesus as our Great High Priest and experiencing His ministry at work in our lives?

How has Jesus' ministry in your life enabled you to hold on to faith during difficult times in the past?

How can you grow closer to Jesus as your Great High Priest so that you can experience more of His ministry in your life?

Ministry Time Questions:

Does anyone have any old hurts or baggage around the word Priest?

Has anyone been struggling to connect with God and find His comfort?