The Priesthood Under the Law of Moses (Hebrews 4:14-5:14)

#1 – God appointed the priests in Israel.

Exodus 28:1, "1 "Now take Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister to Me as priest, Aaron and Aaron's sons: Nadab, Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar."

#2 – God ordained the priests would wear certain clothing, representing righteousness.

Exodus 28:2-4 for the High Priest and 28:39 for all other priests. Revelation 3:5 for all believers, who are priests.

#3 – The priests were to be very sober minded and to teach the people the things of the Lord.

Leviticus 10:8-11.

- #4 The priests were to help the people with their sacrifices to ensure they were bringing them to the Lord correctly.

 Leviticus 1:1-9.
- #5 The priests had to have sin offerings for themselves before they could begin to serve in their priestly duties.

Leviticus 8:1-3,6 & 8:14-15.

The High Priesthood under the Law of Moses (Hebrews 4:14-5:6)

- #1 4:14a No High Priest passed through the heavens (except Jesus).
- #2 4:14b No High Priest was called the "Son of God" (except Jesus).
- #3 4:15 No High Priest was without sin (except Jesus).
- #4 4:16 No High Priest could offer any <u>access</u> to the Father (except Jesus).
- #5 5:1a Every High Priest was to be taken from men (so Jesus became a man). Exodus 28:1 The priests were to be taken, "1 ... from among the children of Israel..."
- #6 5:1b Every High Priest was appointed for men in things pertaining to God. They were appointed to help with the offerings to God.
- #7 5:2 Every High priest could have compassion on those ignorant & going astray (and Jesus sure does).

 And, v.2 tells us SINCE the High Priests were weak themselves.
- #8 5:3 Every High Priest had to offer sacrifices for their own sins (except Jesus). Leviticus 8 & 16.
- #9 5:4-5 No High Priest took this honor to Himself (nor did Jesus). John 15:36 & 17:4-5...Jesus was sent by the Father.
- #10 5:6 Every High Priest came through Order of Aaron (except Jesus).
 But, Jesus came through a different order.