

*The Cast of Characters in the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus*  
***Caiaphas: “And They Paid Him”***

Matthew 26:14–16  
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The Lord’s Day Morning  
January 18, 2015  
Sanctity of Life Sunday

**A Biblical Job Description for the Chief Priest (a.k.a., High Priest)**

**Purpose:**

To mediate between holy God and sinful people to bring about peace (Lev. 3:Heb. 5:1-4)

**Qualifications:**

A direct male descendant of Aaron (the brother of Moses) of the tribe of Levi (Ex. 28–29). At least 30 years of age (Nu. 4:3,30), in good health (Lev. 21:16–20), and married to a Jewish believer (Lev. 21:13,14). A man of competence, able to articulate and defend God’s Word (Ezra 7:6; Nehemiah 8:8). A man of character, humbly obeying and practicing God’s Word (Lev. 10:1-3; 21:6–8). A man who confesses his sin and recognizes his need for a Savior (Lev. 4:3–21; Heb. 5:2–4).

**Responsibilities:**

1. Teach the people God’s Word so they can please God (Nehemiah 8:8).
2. Lead the people so they can praise God (1 Chron. 16:4; 2 Chron. 19:11; 26:17–18).
3. Represent the people so they can be at peace with God (Lev. 16).

**Three Biblical Principles Violated By the Chief Priests**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Sanctity of \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The Integrity of the \_\_\_\_\_.