

The Book of Hebrews
A Greater High Priest
Hebrews 4:14-5:10 (page 840)

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Jesus' Priesthood is Greater Than Aaron's
(Heb 4:14-7:28)

- Jesus is our great High Priest (Heb 4:14-16) because:
 - He mediates for us in the very presence of God (Heb 4:14; 2 Cor 12:2)
 - of who He is (Hebrews 4:14; 1:8-10; 1 Tim 2:5)
 - He is able to perfectly relate to us (Heb 4:15; Luke 2:52; 1 John 2:15-17)
 - He is without sin (Hebrews 4:15; Matt 4:1-11)
- Because of Christ's ministry for us, we can:
 - continue to persevere in our faith (4:14; John 6:68)
 - come boldly to God in prayer (4:16; Phil 4:6-7)
- The prerequisites of a High Priest include: (Heb 5:1-4):
 - He must be appointed by God (Heb 5:1)
 - He must have a pastoral perspective (Heb 5:2-3; 9:7; Isa 53:6)
 - He must be called by God (Heb 5:4; 1 Sam 13-15; Num 16; 2 Chr 26:16-21; Exo 28)

- Jesus exceeds these qualifications through (Heb 5:5-10):
 - His dignity - as the Son of God (Heb 5:5; Acts 13:32-34)
 - His eternity - in the priestly order of Melchizedek (Heb 5:6,10; Psalm 110:4)
 - His purity - by His suffering (Heb 5:7-9; Luke 22:42-43; John 6:28-29; Phil 2:7-8)

The Point: Because Jesus' High Priesthood is superior to that of Aaron and his successors, we can have a confident faith and approach God's throne for help to live it out.