

Sermon Notes

Jesus Is Our Sympathetic, Eternal, High Priest

Hebrews 5:1-10

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5:1-3 **The characteristics of Jewish high priests**

Human

Appointed by God

Served on behalf of people, to mediate relationship with God

Offered offerings and sacrifices for sins,
for his own sins, and for those of the group.

(Ref.: Leviticus 16)

Jesus was different in this respect.

Able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward,
since also he himself is beset with weakness

Side-note application for us:

**We need to do a better job at moderating
judgmental feelings and anger toward people.**

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5:4-6 **Special appointment by God, of Christ as High Priest**

(Ref.: Psalm 2:7, 110:4)

Jesus is surely accepted by God, being He is the Son of God.

Jesus is our eternal priest in the order of Melchizedek.

5:7-10 **Our High Priest suffered**

Jesus relates to our suffering, because He went through it.

(Ref.: Matthew 26:36-42)

Because Jesus perfected His obedience, by suffering,
He is able to be our source of eternal salvation.

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

Related reading: Appointment of priests, Ex. 28:1, Num. 20:23-28

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Do you think you tend to be judgmental about people who sin in ways you don't or have character flaws that you don't?

(Make sure so make it to this question, and have everyone answer.)

Do you think you need to do a better job at moderating your judgmental feelings and anger toward people, about their sin, bad behaviors, imperfect character?

Did you learn anything that can help you with that?

When you see those things in the lives of Christians, do you talk to them about it?
Gently?

What has been your experience with that?

Does it help you to know that Jesus relates to you in your suffering, because He suffered, and experienced the severe emotional distress of thinking about it, and although He prayed for relief did not have God relieve Him of it?

(Maybe try to make sure to make it to this question also, and have everyone answer.)

How might Jesus' example, of how He faced His suffering, help you to act differently in the midst of your suffering?

Here are a few ideas mentioned in the sermon: Jesus dealt with His distress by praying; Jesus didn't want the suffering but was willing to submit to God's will; The Father heard Jesus' request to not go through it and yet didn't relieve Him of it.

Bonus:

Was there anything new or interesting you learned in this sermon?