

**1 What was the role of the high priest in the Old Testament (Heb. 4:14)?**

 *In what ways were the high priests insufficient to make atonement between God and His people?*

 Look back to (Heb 4:12-13). Why is it necessary that we have a high priest? What connection does the high priest have to the Law of God, God's standards (the 10 Commandments)?

**2 What is significant about Jesus being the “great high priest” rather than just a “high priest” (Heb. 4:15-16)?**

 *Why did Jesus have to be fully human in order to fulfill his role as our “great high priest” (Heb. 2:17)? How does Jesus’ humanity enable Him “to sympathize with our weaknesses?”*

 *Why is it important that we understand that Jesus can sympathize with sinners? How does it equip you in your fight against sin?*

**3 In what ways is Jesus a better priest than the high priests of the past?**

 *How does the fact that Jesus’ sacrifice was made once and for all, while the other priests’ sacrifices had to be made yearly, make Him a better priest?*

**4 Why are only Christians able to draw near to the throne of grace with confidence?**

 *What causes you to be apprehensive in approaching the throne? What things in our life prevent you from approaching the Lord with confidence?*

