

Hebrews 5:1-10 – Aaronic/Levitical and Jesus' Priesthood

- 4) V.1-4 speaks of how a high priest identifies with those in weakness, especially Levitical/Aaronic priests of Israel. What is the function of a high priest, how does he serve and identify with the people he represents, and who appoints him? From v.5-10, How is Jesus the same as the high priest described in v. 1-4? different?

- 5) Read Gen 14:18-20 and Psalm 110:1-4 on the account of Melchizedek (his name meaning: My King is Righteous) and the description of someone who is of the order of Melchizedek. How is Jesus like and the fulfillment of Melchizedek? How is Jesus the perfect priest (in relationship to us, sin offerings, salvation, etc.) for us today and how is this greater than Aaron's priesthood?

- 6) What are some reasons from today's bible study that encourage us to hold fast to our faith and to be confident to draw near the throne of grace? How can we incorporate the remembrance of these things in our daily lives?

We often do not think much of Jesus as our high priest, but as we hopefully learned today, Jesus being our high priest is something precious to us. He is our priest and saviour who understands our temptations, struggles, and human frailties and can relate to us in the deepest of ways. He also saves us by offering and being the sacrifice that we all need and allows us to confidently come to the Mercy Seat of God. Praise be to God for Jesus, who is our priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.