ICEBREAKER

What do you picture when you hear the word "Priest"? What do they do?

CONTEXT

In this passage, the author encourages the reader to "hold fast" to their confession. Because Jesus, the Son of God and Great High Priest, can sympathize with their weaknesses and temptations having experienced them Himself. Because they can "draw near to the throne of grace" for mercy and grace. Because He is the source of "eternal salvation" to anyone who believes.

<u>READ</u>

Heb. 4:14 - 5:10

DISCUSS

What does it mean to "hold fast our confession"? (Read 10:9) How do we "hold fast our confession"?

How does it encourage you to know that Jesus can sympathize with our struggles because He experienced them too? Share a specific example.

DISCUSS CONTINUED

How do we draw near to the throne of grace as the author describes in verse 13? Do you view prayer as a first step or last resort? Why?

Read Heb. 5:1-3. What was the role of the high priest?

According to this passage, why is Jesus the greater High Priest? How has this truth impacted your life?

NEXT STEPS

"Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy-and find grace to help in time of need." - Heb. 4:16

In what area of your life do you need to draw near to the throne of grace? What need do you need to bring?

Take some time to share a personal and specific need and then pray for each other.

