Jesus, Our Great High Priest

Hebrews: Hearing and Obeying God’s Son

Hebrews 4:14–5:10

Jesus: The Understanding Savior

[While it is true that many will miss God’s promise of eternal rest, even though Jesus has offered Himself for sinners and provided all, YOU need not miss it. . . 1:1–4:13]

 Because our High Priest Jesus has died for our sins and now has been received back into Heaven. We now can come to Him for help in our weakness, trials, and temptations, so that we do not abandon our confession. 4:14-16

 Because Jesus is our Great High Priest by divine appointment to a new Priesthood, and understands that this post is all about helping the weakness of sinners and bringing them into relationship with God. 5:1-6

 Because Jesus Himself became a sufferer with us, in His full identification with mankind and their plight. He prayed to be delivered from death, and because that prayer was granted, He now lives to save all who obey Him. 5:7-10

*Another Uniqueness of Jesus*

 Perhaps Satan’s greatest lie is that Jesus is the founder or leader of just another world religion. The ignorant never bother to hear God’s Word or investigate the claims of Jesus or comprehend the Bible He read, which predicted Him, explained Him, and profiled Him.

 Our own political correctness and the democratization of all things leads people to the conclusion that because everyone has a right to an opinion, his opinion is therefore, right. But Jesus alone has died for sinners, and only He makes intercession for them through His blood (death).

 Such great condescension is unparalleled in the world’s philosophies and religions. Where, in any of their writings, do we hear of a god becoming a man in order to rescue people and make them happy? Where do you read of a god sacrificing himself for man? It is always the other way around. Jesus alone became one of us to die for us and finally bring us to Himself. This is why He could make bold to say, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father but through me.” John 14:6; Romans 1:16, 17; 2 Timothy 1:8-10

*1. All who want to be saved through Jesus will be saved, because God has provided all necessary resources through Him.*

All we need to walk with God is at our disposal. Eph. 1:3, 15-23

*2. When we do fail or fall, it is because we have not availed ourselves of Jesus, who understands and offers all of the help we need.*

God’s invitations are real, and those who do perish do so having rejected God’s revelation in

 Nature and/or His Son. Psalm 19

*3. Jesus not only provides for us fully, He knows us fully.*

Why would you not bring your cares to the Savior who understands you and has all you will

 ever need? Psalm 131