

# JESUS THE GREAT HIGH PRIEST — HEBREWS 4:14-16

## **HIS PERFECT PRIESTHOOD (v.14)**

### *APPRECIATE HIS PRESENCE*

Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. (He.4:14)

- As God's Representative, He assures us of God's forgiveness.
- Some Jews are convinced in their mind that Jesus is the Messiah, but they do not move forward by faith.
- Whatever confession of the truthfulness of Christ, hold on to it.
- Do not be like the rocky ground in **Mt.13** which appears to have life but dies because it has no root.
- Many understand the gospel and affirm the reality of who Christ is, but do not move to faith.

## **HIS PERFECT PERSON (v.15)**

### *APPRECIATE HIS SYMPATHY*

For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. (He.4:15)

- As Man's Representative, He intercedes for us before God.
- He can bring you to God. No human can do what He can do.
- Does he understand? Yes! He can sympathize with our weaknesses.
- He has unequalled capacity for understanding. He knows you better than you know yourself.
- Why? He was exposed to all the trials life can inflict. He endured them all.
- Some might think His battle was easier. It was not! It was more intense than ours.



## **HIS PERFECT PROVISION (v.16)**

### *APPRECIATE HIS RESOURCES*

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (He.4:16)

- This High Priest has the resources to help. He alone has the power to help with your problems.
- We do not have the power to change ourselves, so He offers grace at the throne.
- The Jews thought of the throne as a place of judgment. Jesus transformed it into a throne of grace.
- Mercy looks at our misery. Grace becomes the supply to overcome that misery.
- The throne is where He dispenses the grace we need for every issue of life.
- Jesus answered Paul thorn in the flesh request with, "My grace is sufficient for you" (**2Co.12:9**).