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4:12 For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

HEB 4:12

Word is

- 1. Living
- 2. Active
- 3. Effective
- 4. Penetrating
- 5. Judgmental

4:13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.

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4:14 Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

4:15 For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.

4:16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

HIGH PRIEST

- Transcends limits of space 14
 Ascended to Right Hand
- 3. Compassionate knows 15
- 4. Tested proven
- 5. Sinless qualified
- 6. Available to help 16



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5:1 For every high priest taken from among men is appointed on behalf of men in things pertaining to God, in order to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins; 2 he can deal gently with the ignorant and misguided, since he himself also is beset with weakness; 3 and because of it he is obligated himself.

5:3-4 and because of it he is obligated to offer sacrifices for sins, as for the people, so also for himself. 4 And no one takes the honor to himself, but receives it when he is called by God, even as Aaron was.

CHARACTERISTICS

1.	Origin -	taken from people	5:1
2.	Choosing -	appointment	
3.	Calling -	mediator	
4.	Purpose -	offer sacrifices	
5.	Attitude -	merciful	5:2
6.	Nature -	sharing weaknesses	
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2) Son as High Priest

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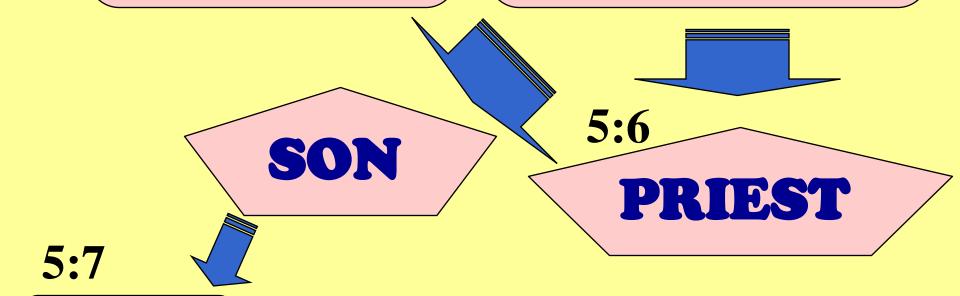
5:5-6 So also Christ did not glorify Himself so as to become a high priest, but He who said to Him, "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You" (Ps 2:7); 6 just as He says also in another passage, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."

5:7 In the days of His flesh, He offered up both prayers and supplications with loud crying and tears to the One able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His piety.

5:5

Christ's Humility

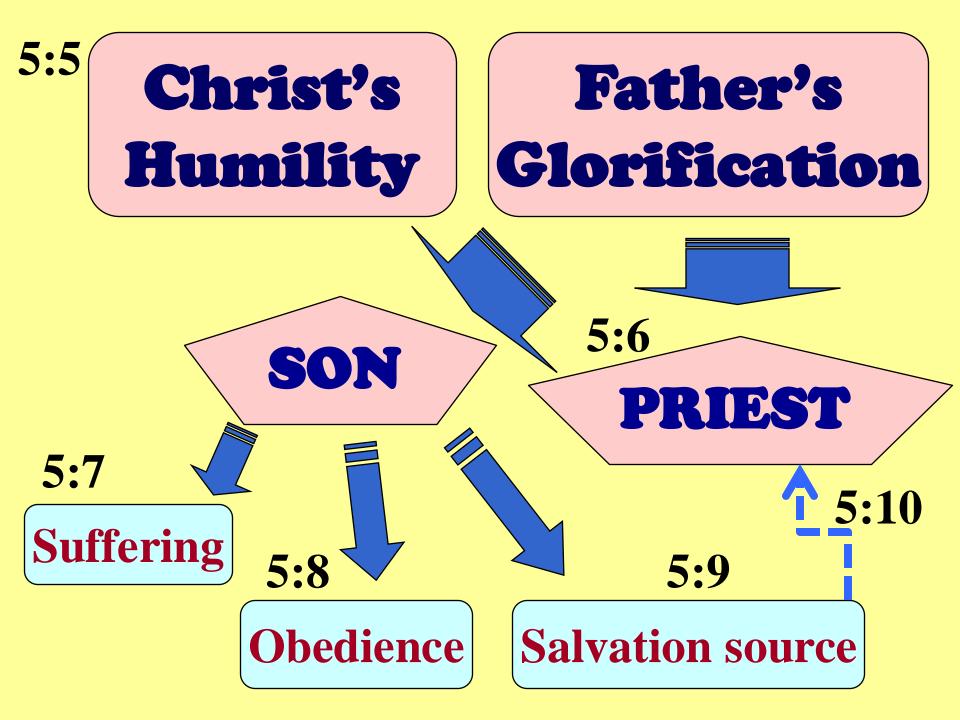
Father's Glorification



Suffering

5:8 Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered.

5:9 And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation, 10 being designated by God as a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.



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5:11 Concerning him we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.

5:12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food.

5:13-14 For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant. 14 But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.



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6:1 Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, 2 of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.

VIEWS - HEBREWS

Views

Audience

- 1. Arminian believers
- 2. Reformed mixed
- 3. Hypothetical believers
- 4. Free Grace believers

6:3 And this we will do, if God permits.

HEB 5:11-6:12

Condition

Immaturity - 5:11-14



Exhortation

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Condition

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Loss - 6:4-8

6:4-6 For in the case of those who have once been enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, 5 and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, 6 and then have fallen away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance, since they again crucify to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.

VIEWS - HEBREWS

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Loss

1. Arminian -

believers

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mixed

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believers

Hypothetical

4. Free Grace -

believers

Reward

6:7-8 For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God; 8 but if it yields thorns and thistles, it is worthless and close to being cursed, and it ends up being burned.

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d) Confidence & Hope for Grov	wth 6:9-12

6:9-10 But, beloved, we are convinced of better things concerning you, and things that accompany salvation, though we are speaking in this way. 10 For God is not unjust so as to forget your work and the love which you have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints.

HEB 5:11-6:12

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Encouragement

Motivation - 6:9-12

6:11-12 And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end, 12 so that you will not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

BELIEVERS

- 1. 5:11-14 issue is immaturity
- 2. 6:1-3 press on to maturity
- 3. 6:4 conversion enlightenment
- 4. 6:4 conversion experience
- 5. 6:4 indwelling partakers
- 6. 6:5 teaching & miracles
- 7. 6:9 things accompany salvation
- 8. 6:10-11 past ministry
- 9. 6:12 inheritance

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b. 3rd Warning

1) Encouragement for Maturity

2) Faithfulness of God

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6:13 For when God made the promise to Abraham, since He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, 14 saying, "I will surely bless you and I will surely multiply you." (Gen 22:17)

6:15-16 And so, having patiently waited, he obtained the promise. 16 For men swear by one greater than themselves, and with them an oath given as confirmation is an end of every dispute.

6:17-18 In the same way God, desiring even more to show to the heirs of the promise the unchangeableness of His purpose, interposed with an oath, 18 so that by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have taken refuge would have strong encouragement to take hold of the hope set before us.

6:19-20 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which enters within the veil, 20 where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.



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1) High Significance of Melch. 7:1-3

7:1-2 For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham as he was returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, 2 to whom also Abraham apportioned a tenth part of all the spoils, was first of all, by the translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then also king of Salem, which is king of peace.

7:3 Without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, he remains a priest perpetually.

- c. Superior Order
 - 1) High Significance of Melchizedek 7:1-3
 - 2) Greatness of Melchizedek 7:4-10

7:4 Now observe how great this man was to whom Abraham, the patriarch, gave a tenth of the choicest spoils.

7:5 And those indeed of the sons of Levi who receive the priest's office have commandment in the Law to collect a tenth from the people, that is, from their brethren, although these are descended from Abraham.

7:6-7 But the one whose genealogy is not traced from them collected a tenth from Abraham and blessed the one who had the promises. 7 But without any dispute the lesser is blessed by the greater.

7:8 In this case mortal men receive tithes, but in that case one receives them, of whom it is witnessed that he lives on.

7:9-10 And, so to speak, through Abraham even Levi, who received tithes, paid tithes, 10 for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him.

GREATNESS

Melchizedek Greater than Abraham

- 1. Abraham paid him Tithes
- 2. He blessed Abraham
- 3. His priesthood lives on

Melchizedek Greater than Levi

c. Superior Order
1) High Significance of Melchizedek 7:1-3
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