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**Hebrews Part 2**  
Lesson 1, Chapter 5

## LESSON ONE Chapter Five

THIS LESSON INCORPORATES Observation Worksheet of Hebrews 5, located in the Appendix  
Cross-references

**A high priest was chosen from among men so that he could deal gently with the ignorant and wayward. This is Jesus, your high priest.**

DAY  
ONE  
AND  
DAY  
TWO

1. To begin our study of Hebrews Part 2, let's look at the "Hebrews at a Glance" chart which is found at the end of this lesson. For those of you who studied Hebrews Part 1, you did an Overview of Hebrews to complete this chart and you may prefer to use it. But for those of you who were not with us for the study of Part 1, we have provided a completed At a Glance chart so you can see what this letter is about.

Be sure to check out the book and chapter themes, especially for Hebrews 1–4. Also, pay close attention to Key Words, the Author's Purpose, and Segment Divisions.

2. Now read Hebrews 4:14–5:14. How does Hebrews 4:14-16 relate to Hebrews 5?

3. Do a Chapter Study of Hebrews 5. Keep in mind the relationship you have just seen between Hebrews 4:14-16 and Hebrews 5.



If you are new to Precept, Beloved, and have never done a Chapter Study before, then follow the instructions in “Focusing in on the Details” in *How to Study Your Bible* or see “How to Do a Chapter Study” in the Appendix of this Hebrews study. Don’t panic. Observation of a chapter is a skill developed through repetitive practice, and you will have an opportunity to do so eight more times since there are thirteen chapters in Hebrews!

## DAY THREE

To have a better appreciation of all that the author of Hebrews is saying to us, we need to have an Old Testament perspective of the Aaronic Priesthood. Aaron, who was from the tribe of Levi, was Israel’s first high priest consecrated by God. Therefore, we will spend today reading some key chapters from Exodus and Leviticus.

As you read these Scriptures, record what you learn regarding the Priesthood and any way in which these details parallel Hebrews 4:14–5:14.

Read Exodus 28–29 and Leviticus 8. As you read these chapters, refer to the sketch of the high priest’s garments located at the end of this lesson.





DAY  
FOUR  
AND  
DAY  
FIVE

1. In Hebrews we read that not everyone could offer sacrifices for the sins of the people; only those appointed by God could do so (Hebrews 5:3-4). Jacob (Israel) had twelve sons from whom the tribes of Israel descended. The tribe of Levi was the tribe that provided the priests—Aaron and his sons—who ministered at the altar and had a right to enter the Holy Place. Others of the tribe of Levi were not priests, but ministered in ways such as the moving of the Tabernacle and its furniture. All priests were from the tribe of Levi, but not all from Levi were priests, only Aaron's sons (descendants). Only the high priest could offer sacrifices in the Most Holy Place once a year on the Day of Atonement.

What would happen to someone who sought to intrude into the priests' or the high priest's office and perform their duties?

- a. Read Numbers 16:1–18:7. From these chapters note what happened when those not appointed intruded into the priests' office. Also note any new insights you glean about the priesthood.

- b. Let's look at one more example: the intrusion of a king into the priest's duties. Read 2 Chronicles 26:1-23. This is the King Uzziah of Isaiah 6:1! Record the main points of this chapter as they relate to our subject of the priesthood.



2. Read Hebrews 5:1-6.
  - a. Since Jesus was from the tribe of Judah rather than Levi, how did He become a high priest?
  - b. According to whose order was He a priest?
  - c. Read Psalm 110. Hebrews 5:6 is the second time the author of Hebrews quotes from this Psalm. The first time is in Hebrews 1:13. Note which verses of Psalm 110 he quotes and where. You will also note the author of Hebrews quotes from Psalm 2 in Hebrews 5:5 after quoting from it once in Hebrews 1:5. What do we learn about Jesus from these quotations? (The answer is not complicated, so don't make it so. Just state the obvious.)
  - d. According to Hebrews 5:5-10, what do you learn about Him as a Son? How does this compare with Hebrews 5:1-2?
3. In Hebrews 5 we are introduced to Melchizedek for the first time; however, the subject of Melchizedek is not fully developed until after the warning of Hebrews 6. Therefore, we'll wait until we come to Hebrews 7 to study him.



4. How does knowing these truths about Jesus as your high priest from Hebrews 4:14–5:10 affect your life? Be as specific as possible.

5. This is optional, but it would greatly profit you to memorize Hebrews 4:14-16.

*Go on to maturity. Persevere in your studies. The coming one will soon come and not delay, and you don't want to be ashamed when He comes!*

*Thank you, thank you for strengthening His body by pressing on to maturity.*



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HEBREWS AT A GLANCE

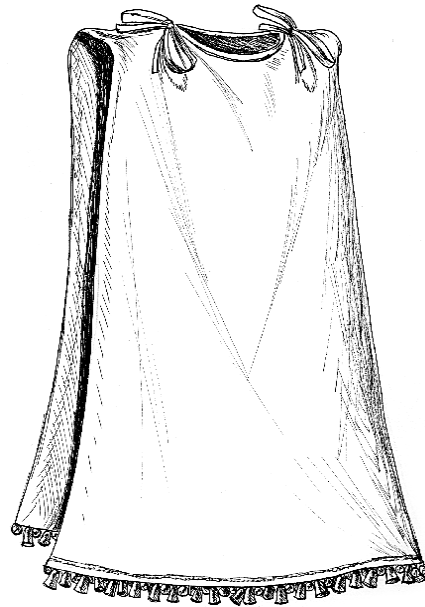
**Book Theme: Jesus, our High Priest / Let us hear Him, draw near, and hold fast**

|   | Chapter Themes   | Segment Divisions   |  |  |                                       |
|---|--|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| <p><b>Author:</b></p> <p><b>Purpose:</b><br/>A word of exhortation (13:22)</p> <p><b>When Written:</b><br/>possibly A.D. 64-68</p> <p><b>Key Words:</b><br/>Jesus (Son)<br/>God<br/>angel<br/>spoke (spoken, says, said)<br/>sin (sinners)<br/>priest (priests, priesthood)<br/>therefore, consequently<br/>faith (faithful)<br/>greater<br/>better (much superior, more excellent)<br/>let us<br/>perfect<br/>promise<br/>covenant</p> | 1 God spoke in his Son, Jesus superior to angels                                 | God spoke in His Son  |  |  |                                       |
|   | 2 Pay attention to what we have heard / Jesus became flesh and blood             |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 3 Consider Jesus, apostle and high priest / Don't harden your heart              | Consider Jesus, the Apostle and High Priest of our Confession |  |  |                                       |
|   | 4 Don't fail to reach entering His rest  |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 5 Jesus, high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek                      |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 6 Let us go on to maturity, some have fallen away                                |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 7 Jesus' priesthood permanent, able to save to the uttermost those who draw near |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 8 Jesus, mediator of a better covenant   |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 9 Christ's blood—better sacrifice  |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 10 Christ's body offered once, let us draw near and hold fast                    |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 11 People of old received commendation through faith                             |   |  |  | Jesus, Founder and Perfecter of Faith |
|   | 12 Jesus, founder and perfecter of faith / Endure discipline                     |   |  |  |                                       |
|   | 13 Jesus—the same yesterday, today, forever / Don't be led away                  |   |  |  |                                       |

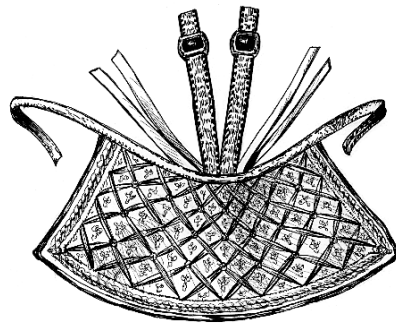




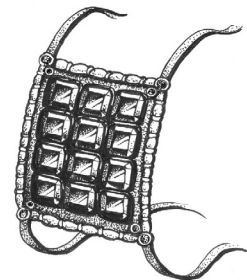
High Priests Garments



Robe of the Ephod



Ephod (viewed from the back)



Breastpiece







## HEBREWS 4 Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme \_\_\_\_\_

THEREFORE, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it.

2 For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened.

3 For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said,

“As I swore in my wrath,  
‘They shall not enter my rest.’ ”

although his works were finished from the foundation of the world.

4 For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.”

5 And again in this passage he said,

“They shall not enter my rest.”

6 Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience,

7 again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted,

“Today, if you hear his voice,  
do not harden your hearts.”

8 For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.



- 9 So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God,  
10 for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as  
God did from his.
- 11 Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the  
same sort of disobedience.
- 12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged  
sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of  
marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
- 13 And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed  
to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.
- 14 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the  
heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
- 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our  
weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are,  
yet without sin.
- 16 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.



## HEBREWS 5

### Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR** every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

2 He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness.

3 Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people.

4 And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

5 So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him,

“You are my Son,  
today I have begotten you”;

6 as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,  
after the order of Melchizedek.”

7 In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence.

8 Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.

9 And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,



- 10 being designated by God a high priest after the order of Melchizedek.
- 11 About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.
- 12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food,
- 13 for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child.
- 14 But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.