



July 21

Passage: Hebrews 4:14-16

Welcome back, it's Tuesday! I'm glad you're connecting with us today! Let us know you're reading this today; it'll be encouraging to hear!

Take a minute and pray to the Lord, ask him to open your heart towards his Word.

READ & DIG. Read Hebrews 4 (underline anything that sticks out to you)

Do you ever feel like no one gets you? Do you ever feel like, where you are at, no one has been before? I've felt like that before and sometimes still do. Hebrews 4:14-16 helps us understand that we are never truly alone, someone always gets it – Jesus. It is this very idea that the author of Hebrews highlights right after he encourages his weary audience of the rest found in Jesus.

JESUS IS GOD

The high priest in the OT is the one who would offer the sacrifices on behalf of God's people. They had sin that needed to be taken care of and sacrificing was the way to do that! The author of Hebrews is encouraging the weary church that they have a greater high priest now than they did then... why? **He is God.** *Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God...* **This High Priest is Jesus, the Son of God.** He is God and he is pleading on our behalf. He has made the greatest sacrifice on our behalf... himself.

JESUS UNDERSTANDS

Because Jesus is God, he understands our sufferings completely... Read w15-16 again... The author makes a negative statement in a positive way... *We don't have a high priest who doesn't understand us... Rather one who has been tempted just like us, except he never sinned!* He is the perfect high priest because he understands us perfectly and he himself is perfect. He has walked the walk before us. He has done what we couldn't do and is now inviting us to come walk with him. Get this though... **he will be with us in it.** Not only that but he knows the way because he has been there!

CLING TO HIM

We are not alone in this walk and when we do feel alone, we have a place to run to – *the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.* In our brokenness we have a place to run – straight to the feet of Jesus. Knowing he has gone before us; he is with us and we can run to him! This should drive us to have confidence in our walk with Jesus!

Apply & GO

Jesus is our High Priest; he is pleading on our behalf and understands us completely.

- **Live today with confidence...** knowing that you have a Savior that loves you and gets it.'
- Let that **confidence drive you to boldness** that is not scared of any obstacle in your walk with Jesus. No matter what comes you are his!