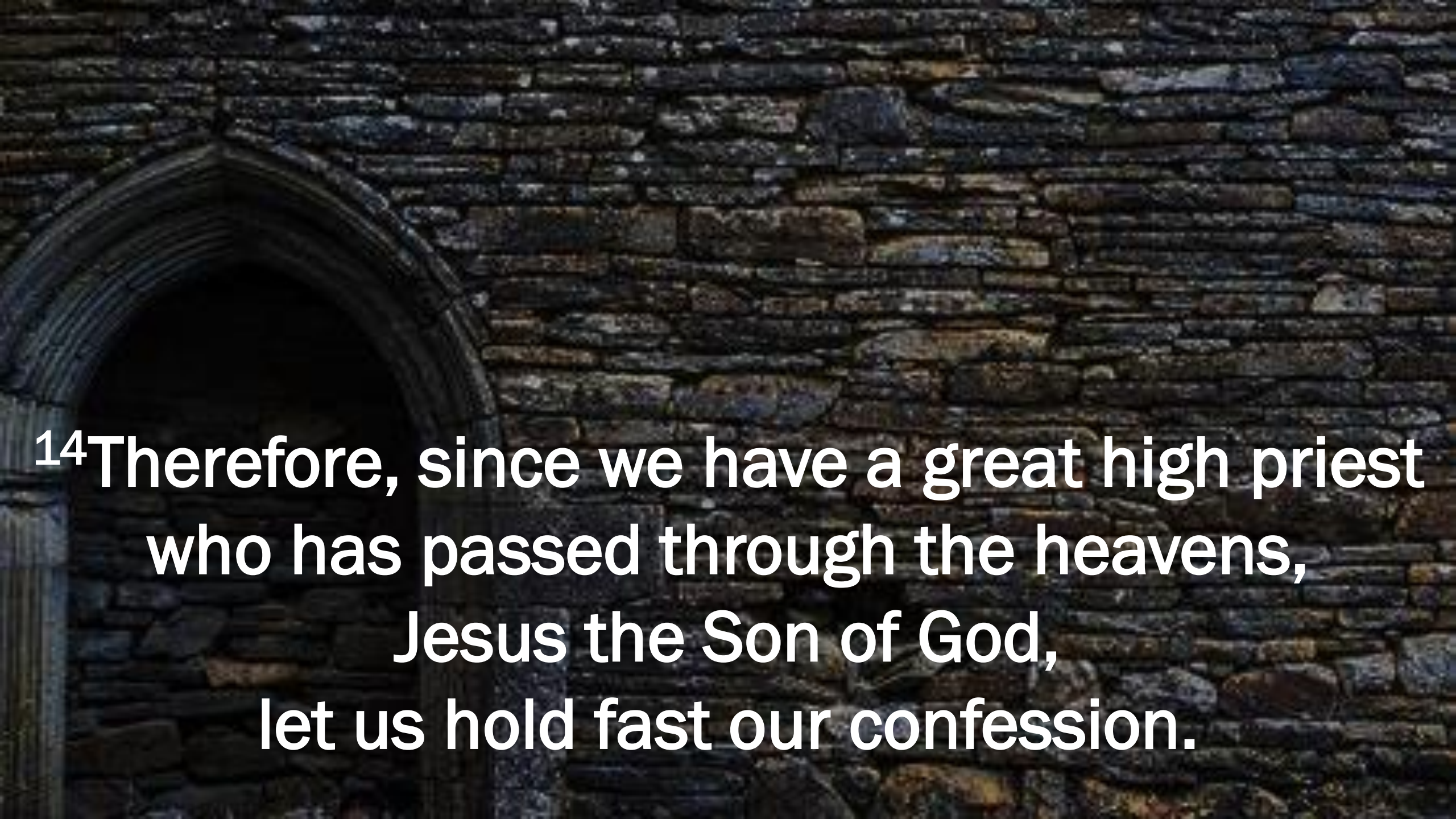


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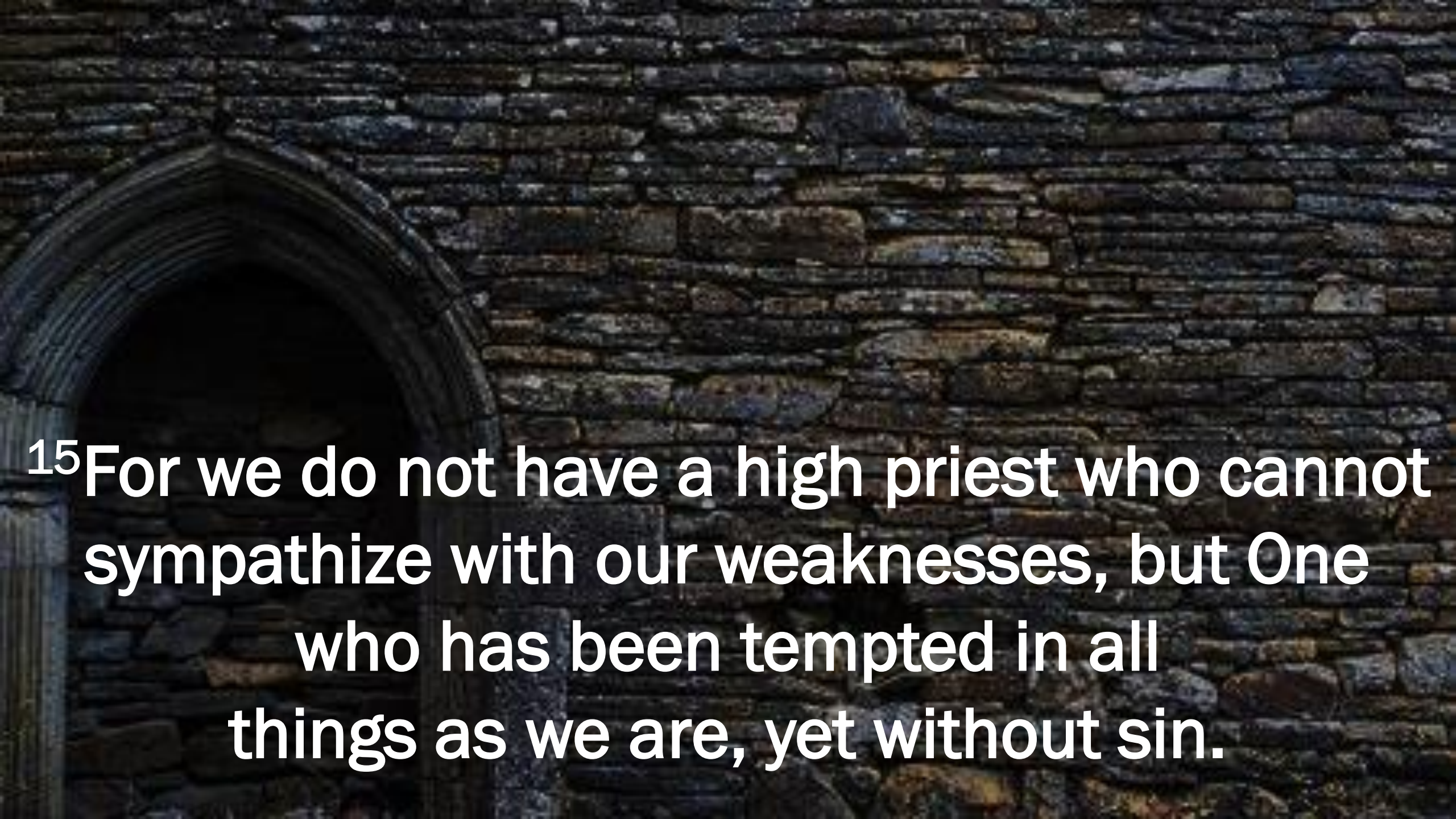
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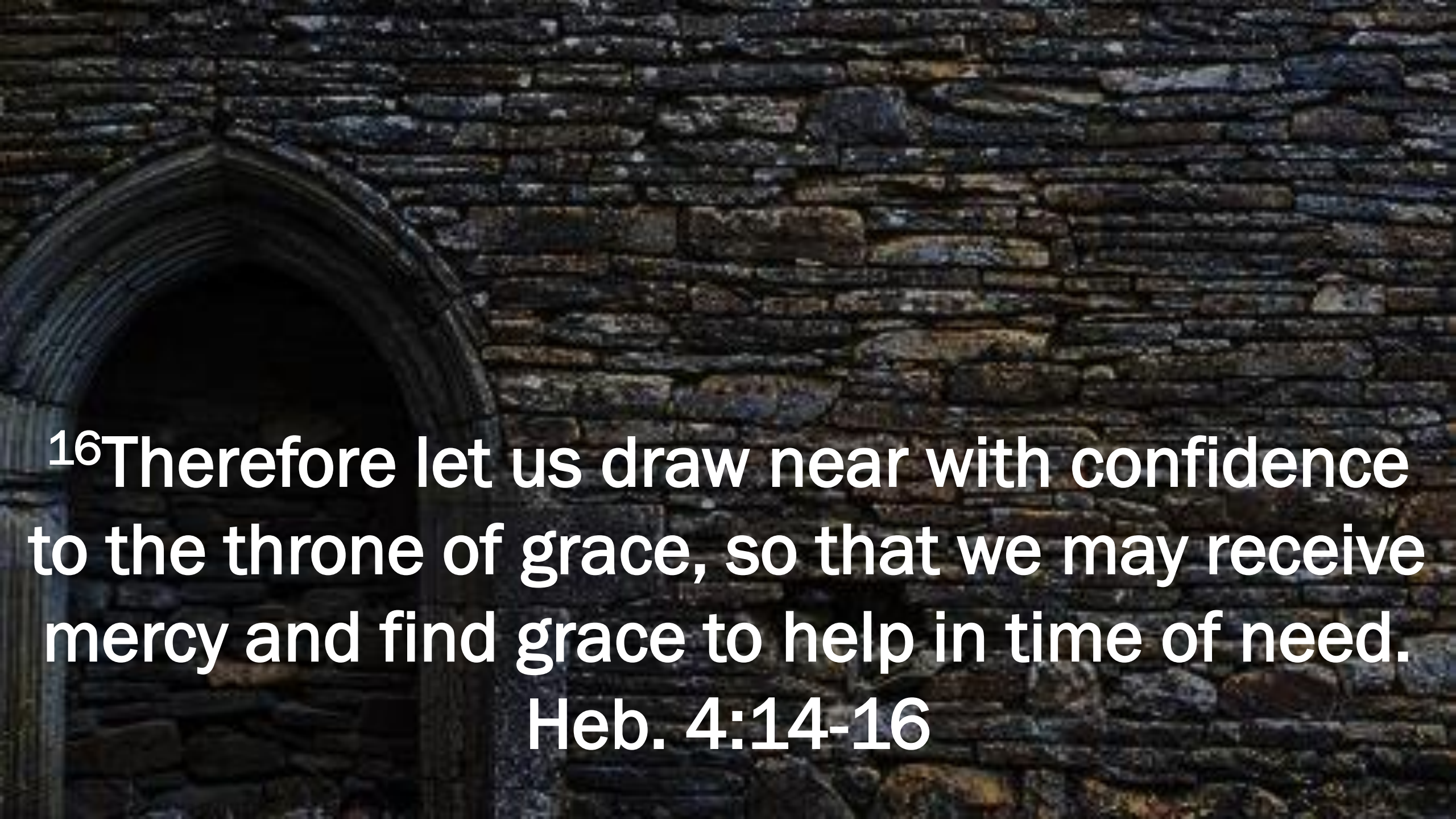
HEBREWS



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

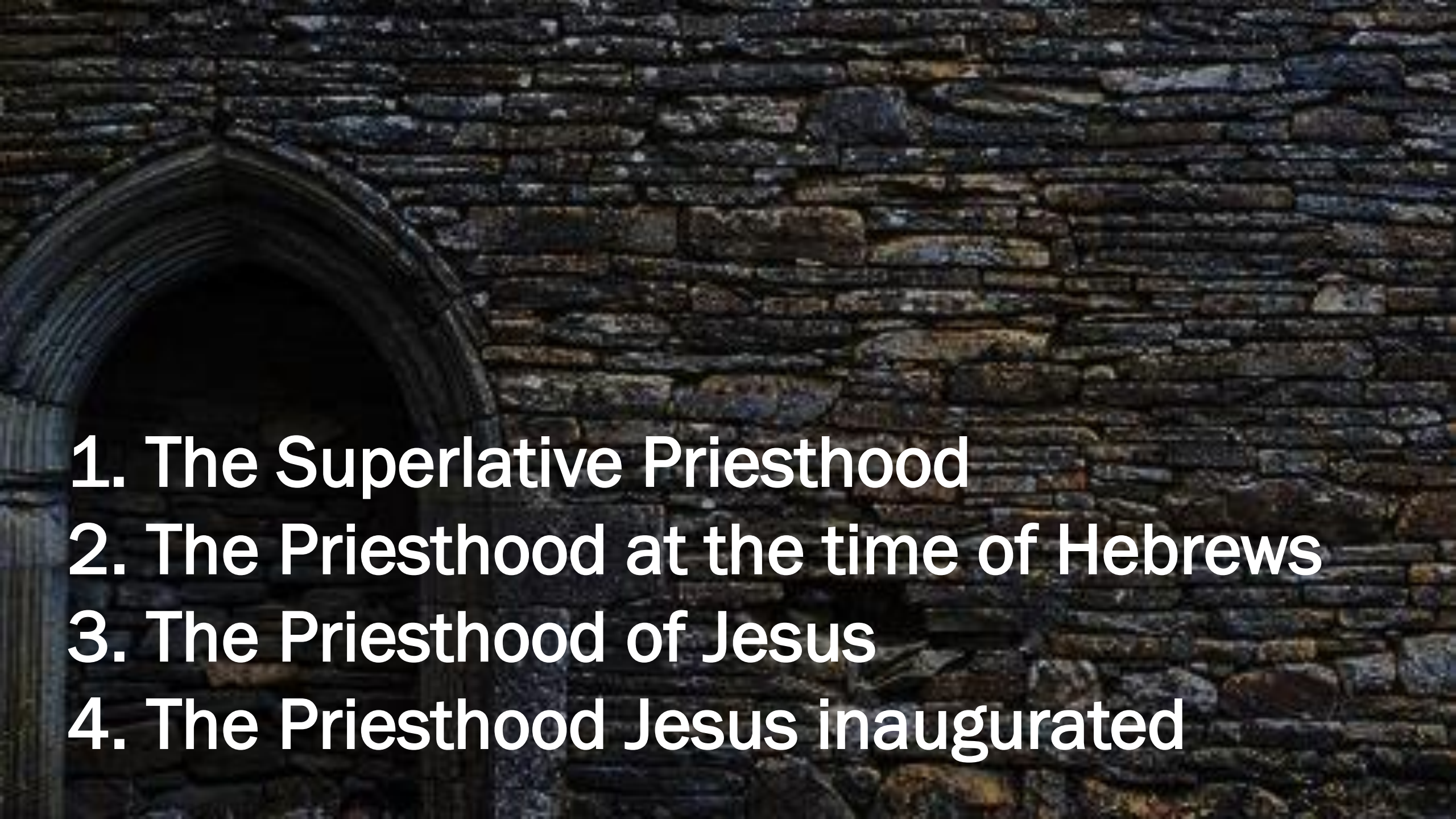


15 For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.



¹⁶Therefore 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.

Heb. 4:14-16

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- 1. The Superlative Priesthood**
 - 2. The Priesthood at the time of Hebrews**
 - 3. The Priesthood of Jesus**
 - 4. The Priesthood Jesus inaugurated**

The Superlative Priesthood

- Why a priesthood?
- Sin
 - God's answer to sin?
 - Death

The one who sins is the one
who will die. Ezk. 18:4

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Unless you repent, you will all
perish. Jesus Lk. 13:3, 5

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²¹The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.

Gen. 3:21

The Superlative Priesthood

The highest standard of ritual purity
and personal holiness.

Lev. 21, Num. 8:5-26

The Superlative Priesthood

Instructed the people in God's Law

Nehemiah 8; Deut.10:33; Lev. 10:10; Etc.

The Superlative Priesthood

Helped determine God's will.

Ex. 28:30; Lev. 8:8; Num. 27:21, etc.

The Superlative Priesthood

They led the people and other priests in
musical worship of God.

2 Chronicles 5:12

The Superlative Priesthood

They conveyed God's
blessing to the people.

Numbers 6:22-27

The Superlative Priesthood

They offered sacrifices
for the sin of the people.

The Superlative Priesthood

Most importantly, the High Priest offered a sacrifice on the Day of Atonement for all Israel. Lev. 16

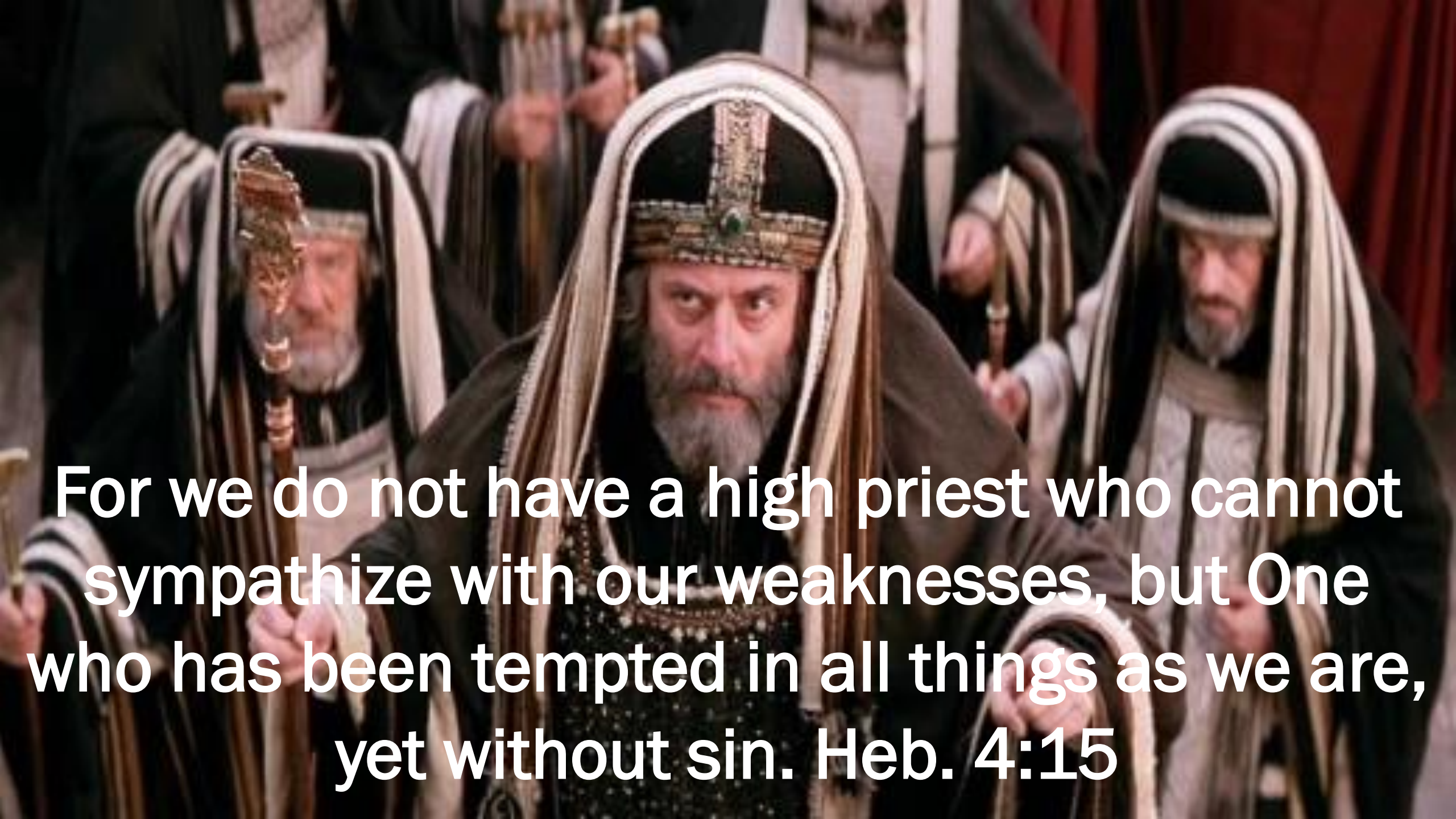
The Priesthood the Hebrews Knew

²⁶ Her priests do violence to my law and profane my holy things; they do not distinguish between the holy and the common; they teach that there is no difference between the unclean and the clean; and they shut their eyes to the keeping of my Sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them.

Ezekiel 22:26

The Priesthood the Hebrews Knew

- Sadducees
- Rich
- Appointed by Rome
- Catered to Rome
- Didn't care about, and not able to relate to the people!



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. Heb. 4:15

THE HIGH PRIESTHOOD OF JESUS

- A High Priest who tasted death for us.
Heb. 2:9
- A merciful High Priest. Heb. 2:17
- He was a faithful, worthy High Priest.
Heb. 3:1-3
- He *can* sympathize with us. 4:15
- He was tempted, but without sin. 4:15
Compare to the high priest of 5:3

THE HIGH PRIESTHOOD OF JESUS

- Entered the *veil* of Heaven. 4:14
- Perfect, He is the source of salvation.
Heb. 5:9
- He is a Priest of Melchizidekian order
Heb. 5:10

THEREFORE . . .

**We can “draw near with confidence
to the
throne of grace . . .”**

Heb. 4:16