“Draw Near ... to the Throne of Grace”

Intro: Having been __________ against the error of hardening our hearts against the voice of God concerning the Supremacy of Christ Jesus as Savior and Lord, and being warned of the sure ability of God through His Word to expose the true nature of our hearts by which the unbelieving will be ________, so are we now ____________ that in coming to Jesus in faith believing that He is our Great High Priest we will receive ________, finding the grace of God.

I. We have a Great High ____________, __________ the Son of God.

A. ___________ ____ _____ ______ and only great High Priest, the High Priest of all high priests.

B. Jesus is our great _______ priest because He alone passed through the ____________.

1. Jesus is ____ a ________ or foreshadow of that which is to come, as were the high priests of Old, _____. He is the fulfillment, the very substance, the present _____________ of whom those many high priests represented.

C. Jesus is our Great High Priest because He is the _______ of God; God, ______ ______.

D. Because Jesus is our Great High Priest we should be careful to make every effort to ______ _______ our confession.

1. If we ______ to hold fast to Christ as the confession of our faith how then will we be saved? Who will make the necessary sacrifice for our sins and who then will _____________ ___ before the Holy God?

E. Jesus our Great High Priest can and does _________________ with our weaknesses.

1. Beloved, _________ being fully God and fully man experienced humanity and at once _______________ the human frame and all our weaknesses.

2. Though Jesus was _______________ in all things as we are, yet He was _______________ _____.

3. It was necessary that Jesus be ____________ _____ for if He had sinned how then could He pay the penalty due us for our sin? If He was to _________ _____ He would have to be the perfect, spotless Lamb of God taking our sin upon Himself.
4. Christ Jesus does _______ __________ sin but rather in sympathizing with our weaknesses He is quick to forgive when we confess our sin. You see, the one who cannot sympathize is the one who will be slow to forgive. _______ the one who is compassionate and has experienced the trials and weaknesses of humanity Himself is also very willing to _______________ the repentant soul.

II. How shall we ______________ to the Great High Priest?

A. Let us __________ _______ with confidence to the throne of grace - that throne where the fountain of unmerited favor flows.

B. Draw near! ______ to the throne of grace! While it is today, make haste! Get yourself to the throne of ____________ for there the flood gates of God’s unmerited favor are opened and poured out _______ _______ who believe!

C. He understands what it is to be a person of humanity. And perfect __________ _______ out all ______! So, we can draw near to the throne of grace with great _______________ in Jesus, your great and compassionate High Priest.

D. We who trust ___________ can confidently draw near to the throne of grace knowing that it is there that we may _______________ ________ and find grace to help in the time of need.

Closing: In the heavenly throne room of God the High Priest Christ _______ intercedes for us, and there as we confess our sins trusting in Him and His completed work of redemption does the __________ of God touch us and the __________ of God wash us, and though our sins were as scarlet they are made whiter than snow, washed away by the blood of God’s Lamb, removed as far from us as the east is from the west! There at the throne of grace, though satan would accuse us, there are we by the sovereign grace of God mercifully clothed in the __________ ________ of Christ’s righteousness!

What great need do you have? The High Priest Christ Jesus is greater! Believe in Jesus! Cling to Jesus and He will be __________ Great High __________. And in the throne room of God there, He, in all sympathy for your human weaknesses will intercede for you. And if ______________ intercedes for you, you can be confident that the Heavenly Father will greet you with mercy and grace!

Won’t you today, with heart bowed low, draw near to the throne of grace ______________ ________ in Christ?

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