

Small Group Discussion Questions

Series: Hebrews: "Greater"

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Message: Our Great Sympathizer

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Memory Verse: Hebrews 1:1-2a NIV

Long ago in many ways and at many times God's prophets spoke his message to our ancestors. But now at last, God sent his Son to bring his message to us.

The goal of these questions is to foster meaningful discussion and to encourage participants to reflect on God's Word to lead to heart transformation. Feel free to modify or expand upon these questions based on the dynamics and needs of your Small Group.

Big Idea: We hold fast to Jesus because He sympathizes with us and gives us strength to endure.

Read Hebrews 5:1-10

1. High priests are appointed by God for service to the people. How do you serve God by serving His people? Are there any service opportunities you would like to learn more about at New Covenant? If so, what are they and who should you contact?
2. What role did suffering and submission play in the life of Jesus? How does Scripture portray the purpose of suffering? What suffering are you glad you went through and why?
3. Read 1 Peter 2:4-10. What does it mean that as believers we are considered to be a royal priesthood? In what ways are you living out your duties as a priest? In what areas do you need God's help to be obedient?



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Read Hebrews 5:11-14

4. In the analogy of milk and solid food, what does "milk" represent in our Christian walk? What are some examples of "solid food?" How can we move from one to the other?
5. The author encourages us to become teachers ourselves. When you think of yourself as someone who can teach others, how does that make you feel? Do you feel comfortable sharing your faith with others? What are some ways you can overcome fear or insecurity and become a better witness for Christ?
6. Think about someone in your life who might be "dull of hearing" to God's word. How can you approach them in a loving and sensitive way about deepening their relationship with Christ? How would you explain the importance of moving beyond the basics of the Christian walk?
7. This passage emphasizes the importance of teachers. Who are some spiritual mentors you've had in your life? How can you, in turn, become a mentor for others on their faith journey?
8. Share about a time when you had to discern between right and wrong. What helped you make the right decision? How can you develop and exercise discernment in your choices? What role does Scripture and prayer play in this process?



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