

**The Chief Cornerstone**

***Our Great High Priest***  
***Part 2***

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**4 Qualifications of a High Priest**  
From Hebrews 5, 7 & 8

1. Be Divinely Chosen & Appointed
2. Must be a human being, one of us (verse 2) "subject to weakness"
3. Must offer sacrifices for sins (His own & the people).
4. Must be totally submitted to doing God's will Hebrews 5:7-9

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**Access to God**

**Jesus Christ is mankind's only access to God!**

**1 Timothy 2:5-7**

\*mediator = a go-between, a reconciler, arbitrator, intercessor

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**Back to the Garden**

Sin (disobedience) changed everything

- Fellowship with God was broken

**Genesis 3:21-24**

**A Veil was put up – to protect man  
"Access Denied"**

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**Very Limited Access**

**The Tabernacle & The Temple**

God instituted "priesthood"

3 parts – Outer Court, Holy Place &  
The Most Holy Place

**A Veil (a divider) was made  
Exodus 26:31**

High Priest could go behind it once a year.<sup>5</sup>

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**When Jesus was Sacrificed**

**Matthew 26:63-65**

- The High Priest could not tear his garments (Leviticus 21:10)
- The table was being set for the transfer of priesthood & power

**Matthew 27:50-51**

- \*The Veil was torn
- \*From "top to bottom"

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What Does This Mean for Us?

**\*Hebrews 10:19-22**

- **\*Thru Jesus we have "access" to God**
- **The veil is gone**

**Jesus said:**

"I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture." (John 10:9)

"I am the way, the truth & the life. No one comes unto the Father but by me." (John 14:6)

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Jesus said, "in my name..."

**Mark 16:17-18 = these signs**

**John 14:14, 26**

**At the end of prayer – "in Jesus' Name"**

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**Access to the Presence of God  
has been granted!**

The only veil left to be removed is the one over our eyes.

- **Before it was death to go in.**
- **Now it is death to stay out.**

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