

# Treasure Hunt

- Michael: What does it mean (10:20) to “consecrate a way”?
- Nate: How do we know that the road to heaven is safe?
- Elijah: What is the “house of God” in the NT?
- Caitlin: What does the title “over the house” mean?
- In what way is our Lord “a high priest over the house of God”?
- Ben: What does it mean to do something “with a true heart”? (What is the alternative?)
- Faith: With whom is 10:22 comparing us when it says we are “sprinkled ... and ... washed”?
- To what does the washing refer?
- What is “the profession of our faith,” and what will happen if we do not “hold fast”?

## Epistle to the Hebrews

1:1-10:25, The Person and Work of **the Son**  
1:1-4, Introduction

1:5-2:18, His Person: the Son & the Angels  
1:1-14, **Higher** than the Angels  
2:1-4, **Warning**: Neglect  
2:5-18, **Lower** than the Angels

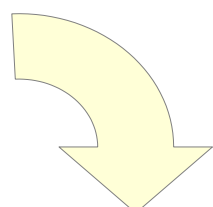

3:1-10:25, His Work: the Son & the Priests  
3:1-6 A **Faithful** High Priest  
3:7-4:13 **Warning**: Unbelief  
4:14-10:25, A **Merciful** High Priest

10:26-13:19, The Life of **the Sons**

13:20-25, Epistolary Close

## Structure of 4:10-10:25

Heb. 2:17 Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a **merciful and faithful high priest** in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.



4:14-10:25, A **Merciful** High Priest  
4:14-16, Opening: Hold Fast & Draw Near  
5:1-10, *Similarities* to other Priests  
5:11-6:12, **Warning**: Stagnation  
6:13-10:18, *Differences* from other Priests  
10:19-25, Closing: Draw Near & Hold Fast

# Inclusio around ch. 4-10

	ch. 4	ch. 10
What we Have	14 Seeing then that <b>we have a great high priest</b> , that is <b>passed into the heavens</b> , Jesus the Son of God,	19 <b>Having</b> therefore, brethren, <b>boldness to enter into the holiest</b> by the blood of Jesus, 20 By a new and living <b>way, which he hath consecrated for us</b> , through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; 21 And <b>having an high priest</b> over the house of God;
What we should Do	<b>let us hold fast our profession.</b> 15 For we have not an <b>high priest</b> which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. 16 <b>Let us therefore come boldly</b> unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.	22 <b>Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith</b> , having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 <b>Let us hold fast the profession</b> of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) 24 And <b>let us consider one another</b> to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

# Parallelism in 10:19, 20

10:19, Our Entry	10:20, His Entry
having therefore, brethren	which he hath consecrated for <b>us</b>
boldness to <b>enter</b>	a new and living <b>way</b> ,
into the <b>holiest</b>	<b>through the veil</b>
by the <b>blood</b> of Jesus	that is to say, his <b>flesh</b>

Which he hath consecrated: contrast  
Isa 40:3 The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, **Prepare ye the way of the LORD**, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

a new and living way (road):

Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.



Would you boldly enter on this road?

Hussaini bridge, Hunza valley, Pakistan

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# Over the House of God

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the house of God:

1Pet. 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

1Tim. 3:15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

Eph. 2:19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; 20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; 21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: 22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

over the house:

Gen. 39:4 And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer **over his house**, and all that he had he put into his hand.

Isa. 22:15 Thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, Go, get thee unto this treasurer, even unto Shebna, which is **over the house**,

Isa. 36:3 Then came forth unto him Eliakim, Hilkiah's son, which was **over the house**, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.

2 Chr 23:18 the priests the Levites, whom David had distributed **in over the house of the LORD**,

Eph. 4:15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, **which is the head**, even Christ: 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

# Our Three Duties

10:19-25	
Having ...	Let us ...
19, boldness through the blood of Jesus	22, Let us draw near in full assurance
20, his obedience in his flesh	23, Let us hold fast without wavering
21, high priest over the house of God	24-25, our responsibility in the house of God

	4:16	10:22
Exhortation to approach	Let us come ... unto the throne of grace	Let us draw near
Confidence	boldly	with a <b>true heart</b> in <b>full assurance</b> of faith
Double Motive	that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.	having our hearts <b>sprinkled</b> from an evil conscience, and our bodies <b>washed</b> with <b>pure water</b> .



## 10:22 **true heart**:

Is. 38:3 Remember, O Lord, how I have walked before thee in truth, with a **true heart**, and have done that which was **pleasing in thy sight**.

Col. 3:22 Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as **menpleasers**; but in **singleness of heart**, fearing God:

10:22 **full assurance**: of faith, 6:11 of hope

Col. 2:2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the **full assurance** of understanding, to the acknowledgement knowledge of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and even of the Christ;

## 10:22 **wash, sprinkle**:

Ex 29:4 And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and shalt **wash** them with water. ... 21 And thou shalt take of the blood that is upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and **sprinkle** it upon Aaron, ... and upon his sons,

Ezek 36:25 Then will I **sprinkle clean water** upon you, and ye shall be clean: ... 27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, ...

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	4:14b-15	10:23
Exhortation to Hold Fast	let us hold fast our profession.	Let us hold fast the <b>profession</b> of <i>our</i> faith without wavering;
Motive: a Characteristic of our Lord	15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was <b>in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.</b>	for <b>he is faithful</b> that promised;

10:23 profession [confession]:

Luk 12:8 Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall **confess me** before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God: 9 But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

he is faithful that promised:

Heb. 4:1 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.