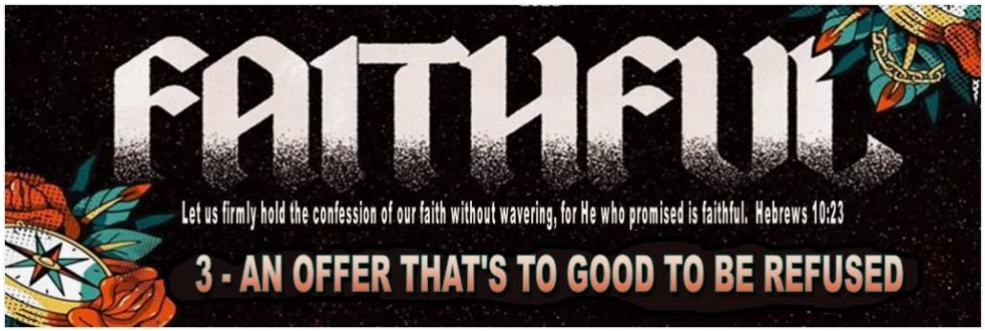

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. **Hebrews 4:14**

I SHOULDN'T REFUSE WHAT JESUS OFFERS ME BECAUSE…

1. **Jesus offers me _____ _____than any other priest.**

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. **Hebrews 4:15** NIV

Every high priest is a man chosen to represent other people in their dealings with God. He presents their gifts to God and offers sacrifices for their sins. [2] And he is able to deal gently with ignorant and wayward people because he himself is subject to the same weaknesses. [3] That is why he must offer sacrifices for his own sins as well as theirs. **Hebrews 5:1-3**

- **Jesus _____, _____and _____ testify to Christ's compassion.**

2. **Jesus offers me _____ _____than any other priest.**

Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. **Hebrews 4:16** NIV

There were many priests under the old system, for death prevented them from remaining in office. [24]But because Jesus lives forever, his priesthood lasts forever. [25]Therefore he is able, once and forever, to save those who come to God through him. He lives forever to intercede with God on their behalf… **Hebrews 7:23-25** NLT

3. **Jesus offers _____ _____for me than any other priest.**

For every high priest taken from among men is appointed on behalf of people in things pertaining to God, in order to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sin… **Hebrews 5:1** NIV

Unlike those other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices every day. They did this for their own sins first and then for the sins of the people. But Jesus did this once for all when he offered himself as the sacrifice for the people's sins. **Hebrews 7:27** NLT NIV

According to the Law of Moses, those people who become unclean are not fit to worship God. Yet they will be considered clean, if they are sprinkled with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a sacrificed calf. [14] But Christ was sinless, and he offered himself as an eternal and spiritual sacrifice to God. This is why his blood is much more powerful and makes our consciences clear. Now we can serve the living God and no longer do things that lead to death. **Hebrews 9:13, 14** CEV

We have seen how the law is simply a shadow of the good things to come. Since it is not the perfect form of these ultimate realities, the offering year after year of these imperfect sacrifices cannot bring perfection to those who come forward to worship. [2] If they had served this purpose, wouldn't the repetition of these sacrifices have become unnecessary? If they had worked—and cleansed the worshipers—then one sacrifice would have taken away their… sin. [3] But these sacrifices actually remind us that we sin again and again, year after year. [4] In the end, the blood of bulls and of goats is powerless to take away sins. **Hebrews 10:1-4** VOICE

4. **Jesus offers me _____ _____than any other priest.**

And no one can become a high priest simply because he wants such an honor. He must be called by God for this work, just as Aaron was. [5] That is why Christ did not honor himself by assuming he could become High Priest. No, he was chosen by God… **Hebrews 5:4, 5** NLT

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, [6] and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father —to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen. **Revelation 1:5, 6** NIV

But you are a chosen people, set aside to be a royal order of priests, a holy nation, God's own; so that you may proclaim the wondrous acts of the One who called you out of inky darkness into shimmering light. **1 Peter 2:9** VOICE

5. **Jesus offers me _____ _____than any other priest**

Even though Jesus was God's Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. [9] In this way, God qualified him as a perfect High Priest, and he became the source of eternal salvation for all those who obey him. **Hebrews 5:8, 9** NLT

*And God designated him to be a High Priest in the order of Melchizedek***.**
Hebrews 5:10 NLT

This Melchizedek was ***king*** *of Salem and* ***priest*** *of God Most High*.
Hebrews 7:1 NLT

Additional Notes:

Reflecting on today's message…

What touched my heart?

What is God asking me to do?

What should I change this week?

Who else needs to hear this message?