

15. Jesus is Our Advocate and High Priest

An advocate is one who pleads the cause in a court of law, like a lawyer. An advocate is one who is on our side and supports us. Advocates offer counsel and speak on our behalf when necessary. Jesus is our advocate. He is on our side, supports us, helps us, is sympathetic to our needs, pays for our sins, and represents us before the Father.

Jesus is Able to Help Us

“The Son did not come to help angels; He came to help the descendants of Abraham. Therefore, it was necessary for Him to be made in every respect like us, His brothers and sisters, so that He could be our merciful and faithful High Priest before God. Then He could offer a sacrifice that would take away the sins of the people. Since He Himself has gone through suffering and testing, He is able to help us when we are being tested.” (Hebrews 2:16–18 NLT)

Jesus Responds to Our Requests

“A leper came to Him, imploring Him, and kneeling said to Him, ‘If You will, You can make me clean.’ Moved with pity, He stretched out His hand and touched him and said to him, ‘I will; be clean.’ And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.” (Mark 1:40–42)

Jesus Understands Us

“Since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet He did not sin. So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive His mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.” (Hebrews 4:14–16 NLT)

Jesus Alone is Able to Pay the Price for Our Sins

“My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the One Who is truly righteous. He Himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.” (1 John 2:1–2 NLT)

Jesus Prays for Us

“Who then will condemn us? No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and He is sitting in the place of honor at God’s right hand, pleading for us.” (Romans 8:34 NLT)

“Because Jesus lives forever, His priesthood lasts forever. 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 7:24–25 NLT)

Jesus Answers Our Prayers

“Whatever you ask in My name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.” (John 14:13–14)

“Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done.” (Philippians 4:6 NLT)

“This is the confidence that we have toward Him, that if we ask anything according to His will He hears us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of Him.” (1 John 5:14–15)

Come Into His Presence with Singing

What Child is This

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ, the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

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3. So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come, peasant, king to own Him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
Let loving hearts enthrone Him.

2. Why lies He in such mean estate,
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.

This, this is Christ, the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

Give Thanks unto Him

Thank You for saving us completely.

““Because Jesus lives forever, His priesthood lasts forever. Therefore He is able, once and forever, to save those who come to God through Him.” (Hebrews 7:24)

Thank You for forever praying for us.

“He lives forever to intercede with God on their behalf.” (Hebrews 7:25)

Thank You for understanding us

“This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet He did not sin.” (Hebrews 4:15 NLT)

Thank You for helping us when we need it most.

“Let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive His mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.” (Hebrews 4:16 NLT)

Thank You for atoning for all of our sins.

“He Himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.” (1 John 2:2)

Bless His Name: Jesus is Our Advocate and High Priest

“Since we have a great **High Priest** who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. This **High Priest** of ours understands our weaknesses.” (Hebrews 4:14–15)

“If anyone does sin, we have an **advocate** who pleads our case before the Father. He is **Jesus Christ, the One Who is truly righteous**. He Himself is the **sacrifice** that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.” (1 John 2:1–2)

“He could be our **merciful and faithful High Priest** before God. Then He could offer a sacrifice that would take away the sins of the people. Since He Himself has gone through suffering and testing, He is able to help us when we are being tested.” (Hebrews 2:17–18)