



Jesus-Centered Family on Mission with Him

Hebrews 4

**Citizens Church exists to be a
Jesus-Centered Family on
Mission with Him.**

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Jesus is our Great High Priest

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“Well, because week after week you forget it, because week after week you walk in here looking like a people who don't believe the gospel. And until you walk in

looking like people who are truly
liberated by the truth of the gospel,
I'm going to continue to preach it to
you."

Martin Luther

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Since then we have ^da great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

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Then bring near to you ^xAaron your brother, and his sons with him, from among the people of Israel, to serve me as priests—Aaron and Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.

Exodus 28:1

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They shall be holy to their God and not profane the name of their God. For they offer the Lord's food offerings, the bread of their God; therefore they shall be holy. They

Leviticus 21:6-8

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shall not marry a prostitute or a woman who has been defiled, neither shall they marry a woman divorced from her husband, for the priest is holy to his God. You shall

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sanctify him, for he offers the bread of your God. He shall be holy to you, for I, the Lord, who sanctify you, am holy.

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Aaron shall make atonement on its horns once a year. With the blood of the sin offering of atonement he shall make atonement for it once in the year throughout your

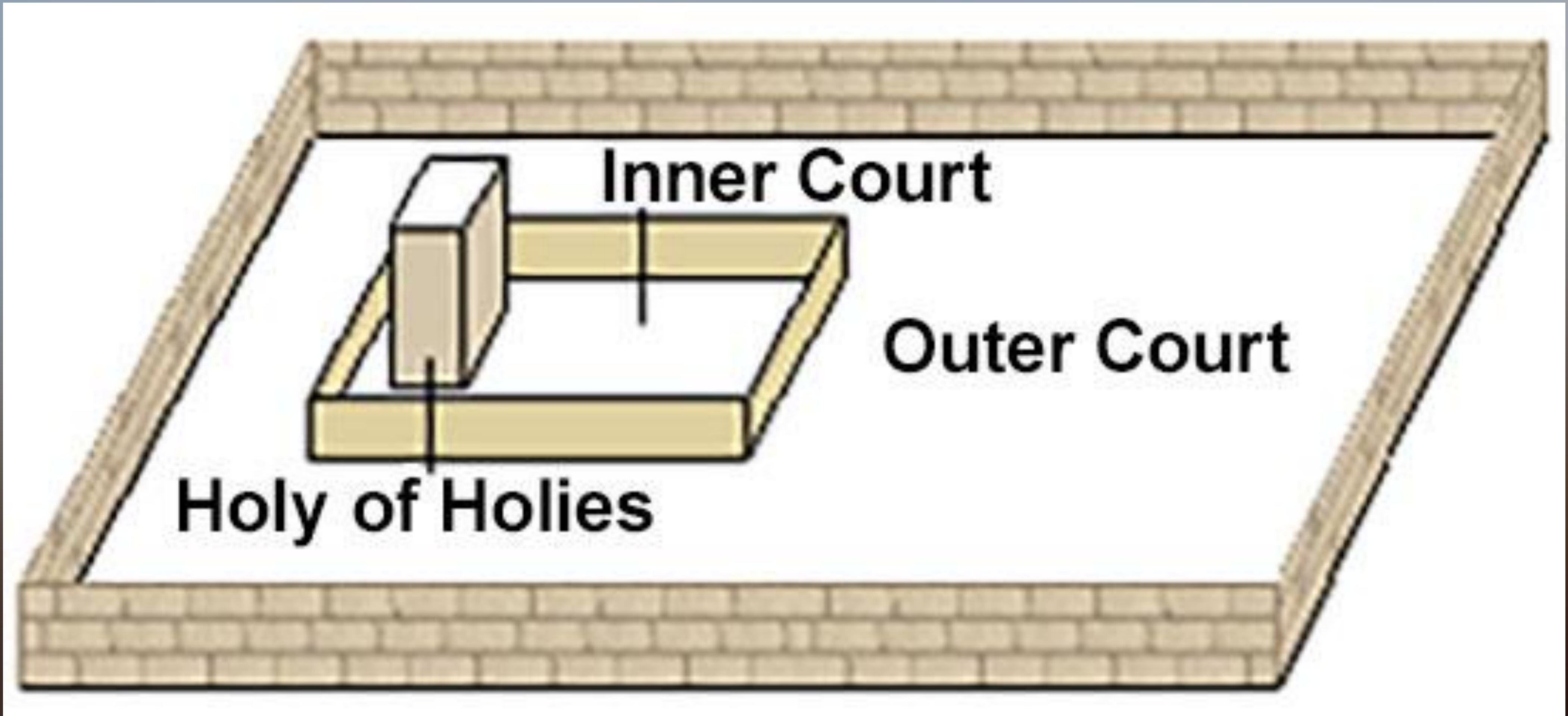
Exodus 30:10

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generations. It is most holy to the
Lord.

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High Priest:

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- A man who enters the presence of God to atone for the people.

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this

Romans 9:11-14, 26

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creation) he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.

Romans 9:11-14, 26

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For if the blood of goats and bulls,
and the sprinkling of defiled
persons with the ashes of a heifer,
sanctify for the purification of the
flesh, how much more will the

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blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God...But as it is,

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he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

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For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Hebrews 4:15

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Jesus as High Priest:

1. Jesus is our mediator
2. Jesus is our sacrifice
3. Jesus is our friend

No man knows how bad he is till he has tried very hard to be good. A silly idea is current that good people do not know what temptation means. This is an obvious lie. Only

those who try to resist temptation know how strong it is. After all, you find out the strength of the German army by fighting against it, not by giving in. You find out the strength

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of a wind by trying to walk against it, not by lying down. A man who gives in to temptation after five minutes simply does not know what it would have been like an hour later. That is

why bad people, in one sense, know very little about badness — they have lived a sheltered life by always giving in. We never find out the strength of the evil impulse inside us until we try to fight it: and Christ,

because He was the only man who never yielded to temptation, is also the only man who knows to the full what temptation means — the only complete realist.”

C.S. Lewis

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**Jesus is our perfect savior and
friend.**

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Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16

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“Jesus can sympathize with all our weaknesses because He lived as a human being and experienced the things that we experience.

According to John Owen, Christ’s sympathy with us means three

things. First of all, it means that He is concerned for us. Christ is concerned for us when we are hungry. He is concerned for us when we are in trouble. He is concerned for us when we are

tempted. Secondly, Christ's sympathy with us means that He can relieve our suffering. He can provide for our daily needs. He can save us when we are in trouble. He can help us avoid engaging in sin. And thirdly, Christ's sympathy with

us means that He can experience what we feel emotionally, insofar as our emotions are not sinful. He rejoices with us when we rejoice for good and godly things. He mourns

with us when we mourn over the
loss of good and godly things.”

Ligon Duncan

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