

# Sermon Outline

## **Our Merciful High Priest**

In His incarnation, suffering and death, Jesus 1) destroyed Satan, 2) set us free from the fear of death, and 3) helps us when we are tempted.

Hebrews 2:14-18

**Introduction:** Kierkegaard and the fear of death

Slavery and Deliverance

**Exposition: Why did Jesus have to taste death?**

Context: chapter 1 – the deity of the Son

chapter 2 – the humanity of Jesus

vs. 14 – Jesus took hold of flesh and blood  
to destroy the devil's dominion

vs. 15 – to deliver us from slavery to the fear of death

vs. 16 – who are the “seed of Abraham?” (Gal 3:7, 29, Rom 9:6)

vs. 17 – He had to made like his brothers  
in every respect

that he might be a merciful faithful high priest  
to make propitiation

vs. 18 – help in temptation

**Application:**

1. Christ empowers us to resist temptation (Romans 6:7-14).
2. Christians have no fear in death (1 Corinthians 15:50-56).