

THE CHIASTIC STRUCTURE
(PARALLELISM)
HEBREWS 5

- "A The old office of high priest (5:1)
- B The solidarity of the high priest with the people (5:2-3)
- C The humility of the high priest (5:4)
- C' The humility of Christ (5:5-6)
- B' The solidarity of Christ with the people (5:7-8)
- A' The new office of high priest (5:9-10)"⁴

In order to qualify for the high priesthood in Israel, one had to be, first, a male ("taken from among men"). The high priest