

# ONCE FOR ALL SACRIFICE

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**Sermon Theme:** Only the once for all sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ on the cross (the only offering that God the Father desires) is able to perfect believers for all time and empower them to do God's will. Therefore, we should live for God's glory as we look forward and long for Christ's return!

## **I. Shadow of Christ's Sacrifice – Read Hebrews 10:1-4**

- A. How is the shadow language in verse 1 helpful as you think through the O.T. sacrifices versus Christ's once-for-all sacrifice on the cross?
- B. How would you explain the old covenant? What were some of the benefits of the old covenant? How does the old covenant point forward to the new covenant?
- C. What do you think it means to be made perfect? In what ways does the repeated sacrifices being made year after year highlight their inability to make perfect those who draw near?

## **II. Substance of Christ's Sacrifice – Read Hebrews 10:5-14**

- A. In Hebrews 10:5-7, the author attributes a quotation from Psalm 40 to Christ. Explain how the author can rightly attribute the Psalm to Jesus and the significance that brings to the O.T.
- B. God specifically called and commanded Jesus to sacrifice Himself for the salvation of God's people. And Jesus was obedient to do so, saying, "Behold, I have come to do your will." What other passages in the Bible confirm the consistent work of the Trinity in our salvation?
- C. Read Hebrews 10:12-13. Compare and contrast Jesus work as our great High Priest with the O.T. priests. What is the significance of Him sitting down at the right hand of God. Why is it important that He remains seated until His enemies are made a footstool for His feet?
- D. Hebrews 10:14 says, "By a single offering, He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified." How are both the perfection and the sanctification related to Christ finished work? Explain the already-not yet tension that's at work in this verse.

## **III. Application of Christ's Sacrifice – Read Hebrews 10:15-18**

- A. What do you think is the author's argument in Hebrews 10:15-18?
- B. What do you think it looks like to have God's law written on your hearts and minds? What does it look like to live according to God's will saying, "Not my will, but thy will be done?"
- C. In what ways would you like to grow in being amazed by grace and the forgiveness that is yours in Christ? In what ways would you like to grow in obeying God's commands? What is the best way for you to balance delighting in God's grace with obeying God's commands?