Hebrews Part 2 Jesus, Our High Priest Forever

Chapters 9, 10 Cleansing and Worship

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Jesus' sacrifice is sufficient
No need to go back to the
Old Covenant
The new is better

Understand this is the foundation for obedience to the last chapters of instructions. Thus exhortation

Main point Regulations of divine worship

Hebrews 9 Tabernacle Worship

[1-5]

Describe the tabernacle What was in it

Hebrews 9 Tabernacle Worship

[6-10]

Priests performed duties of divine worship Worshiper not perfect in conscience

Hebrews 9 Tabernacle Worship What does Christ's offering accomplish for those who truly worship Him? Eternal redemption Cleansed conscience

Isaiah 6:1-8

Isaiah—vision of God on His throne in the temple
Stresses God's holiness, glory
As he saw God

Isaiah 6:1-8

Isaiah realized his own and his own peoples' uncleanness Cleansing: burning coal from altar

Isaiah 6:1-8

Isaiah's lips were unclean The coal touched his lips Then his mouth was clean To take God's message to his people

Numbers 19 Red heifer slaughtered in priest's presence Its ashes were kept Mix with water Purification from uncleanness

Numbers 19 Unclean—touch or too close to corpse Or being in war Water used to purify

Numbers 19 Death caused uncleanness For the living of Israel Unclean people could not go into the court of the tabernacle

Numbers 19 Couldn't go before God in uncleanness Priests—sacrifice for own sins Prior to entering Holy of Holies

Hebrews 9 True believers Have a clean conscience Because of Jesus' sacrifice And His cleansing of us

Death and blood inaugurate a covenant Without shedding blood There's no forgiveness

Christ entered heaven
Offered his own blood
Once for all sins

Result True worshipers Eternal redemption Clear conscience

Result

Ability to serve and...

Ability to worship the living God

We can eagerly await His return

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Worshipers conscious of their sins Yearly reminder Complete forgiveness impossible under the Old Covenant

Old Covenant Unable, powerless, weak [5-9]

OT references which Jesus quoted about Himself

He [Jesus] came to do Father's will Die for sins of world

Believers sanctified by God's will Through Jesus' offering Sanctified: "to make holy" Comes from root word meaning

"Purify, or consecrate" Combining definition, tense, mood Consecrated at a point in the past And continue to be holy

Jesus perfected for all time Those who are sanctified By one offering

Perfected

Jesus perfected us at a point in the past And it continues "Perfected" = "maturity" Heb. 6:1

Heb. 10:14

A continuous action
Those who are being sanctified
Sanctification of Christians

Heb. 10:14

Process

Has a definite beginning

Heb. 2:17; Heb. 9-10

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To make propitiation for the peoples' sins

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"To make propitiation" "to appease" Jesus—merciful high priest Paid for our sins We don't have to pay the penalty of death Law required death for disobedience

Rom. 3:25

Jesus was displayed as our propitiation By faith we are sanctified By His blood His offering

1 Jn. 2:1-2; 4:10

When believers sin We still have an Advocate Jesus Christ the righteous The propitiation for all sins For all time

1 Jn. 2:1-2; 4:10

God's love He died for sins Rose again To give eternal redemption

Heb. 4:14-16 and Forward

Who has been the focus? Jesus, the great high priest Who passed through the heavens Therefore

Heb. 4:14-16 and Forward

We can draw near With confidence To the throne Of grace

Heb. 4:14-16 and Forward

To receive mercy
To find grace to help
In time of need

Therefore

Because of who Jesus is And what He has said and done Those who are cleansed are to...

If we go on sinning willfully

No longer remains a sacrifice for sins

Remember the former days

Don't throw away your confidence

Draw near With a sincere (cleansed) heart Hold fast Stimulate one another to love and good deeds

But Endure Those who have faith Preserve their souls