

Open It

What is one service you would be willing to pay a significant one-time price, if it meant that you would never have to pay for the service again?

Consider It

What did the law of God require when an individual became aware of their sin (Leviticus 5:5-6)?

Why were these sacrifices for sin insufficient (10:1-4)? What purpose did they serve?

What makes the daily offering of sacrifice futile (10:11)?

What was Christ's mindset when He came into the world (10:5-7)? When was this mindset most exemplified (Luke 22:42)?

What did Christ's death accomplish for those who would trust in Him (10:14)?

Where were God's laws written under the Old Covenant (Exodus 24:12)? Where is God's word written under the New Covenant (10:16)? What difference does this make (2 Cor 3:3)?

What were people to do when they recognized their sin under the Old Covenant (Leviticus 5:5-6)? What must we do today under the Covenant of Christ to enjoy forgiveness (1 John 1:9)?

Why do some Christ-followers continue to feel unworthy of God's forgiveness? What do they need to hear or believe from this passage?

Live It

Seek: Write out a prayer of thanksgiving to God for providing a perfect sacrifice for sin.

Serve: Encourage someone that is struggling with guilt or shame using the hope offered in this passage.

Share: Take time to share with a family member, coworker or friend the things you have learned from this study.

The Advent of the Lamb of God
"The Perfect Sacrifice"
Hebrews 10:1-18
Sunday, December 15, 2019

The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. ² Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins. ³ But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins. ⁴ It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. ⁵ Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said: "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; ⁶ with burnt offerings and sin offerings you were not pleased. ⁷ Then I said, 'Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—I have come to do your will, my God.' " ⁸ First he said, "Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them"—though they were offered in accordance with the law. ⁹ Then he said, "Here I am, I have come to do your will." He sets aside the first to establish the second. ¹⁰ And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. ¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. ¹⁴ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. ¹⁵ The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says: ¹⁶ "This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord. I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds." ¹⁷ Then he adds: "Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more." ¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary.

Hebrews 10:1–18 (NIV)

Sermon Proposition

The Sin Offering Serves as a Picture of the Lamb of God who Secures our Pardon for Sin.

A Picture of Death

As a penalty for the sin they have committed, they must bring to the LORD a female lamb or goat from the flock as a sin offering

Leviticus 5:6 (NIV)

A Picture of Atonement

In this way the priest will make atonement for them for any of these sins they have committed, and they will be forgiven.

Leviticus 5:6, 10, 13 (NIV)

A Picture of Grace

Anyone who cannot afford a lamb is to bring..

Leviticus 5:7, 11 (NIV)

A Picture of Repentance

When anyone becomes aware that they are guilty in any of these matters, they must confess in what way they have sinned.

⁶As a penalty for the sin they have committed, they must bring to the LORD a female lamb or goat from the flock as a sin offering; and the priest shall make atonement for them for their sin.

Leviticus 5:5-6 (NIV)

A Picture of Jesus Christ

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Hebrews 10:1 (NIV)