

“Death and New Life Through the Cross of Christ”

Hebrews 9:11-28

The Book of Hebrews

Theme: Christ’s better sacrifice is the death of the Old Covenant and the inauguration of the New

Outline:

1. But when Christ appeared... (v.11-14)
 - a) Christ **entered** in where we could not go (v. 12)
 - b) Christ **offered** himself without blemish (which we could not do) (v.14)
 - c) Christ **secured** an eternal redemption, and purifies us to serve the living God (v. 12, 14)
2. Christ is the Testator of the Old Covenant, and the Mediator of the New (v. 15-22)
 - a) Because his death has been established, the inheritance has been made available (v. 16-17)
 - b) Christ’s blood purifies us, bringing forgiveness and ushering us into New Covenant life
3. Christ’s once for all offering of Himself is a better and lasting atonement, giving us secure hope (v. 23-28)
 - a) Christ offers his own blood before God (v. 24-26)
 - b) His sacrifice puts away sin (v. 26)
 - c) His death was judged to be sufficient (v. 27-28)
 - d) His return will not be to deal with our sin again (v. 28)

What does this mean?

-The death of Christ ended the Old Covenant. It is **Finished**, so don’t go back.

-Christ’s once for all offering bore our sins; there is no need for Him to bear them again.

-Eagerly await His return, knowing He is coming to save.

-Gather to Remember... Unlike the Old Covenant with its very tangible, recurring, and insufficient pictures, we gather to be reminded of a once for all, sufficient sacrifice. The Lord’s Table is our celebratory exclamation of our redemption and new life.

-We gather and partake, not to please God, but because God is pleased with us in Christ!

