

# **Hebrews 10**

## **Hebrews 10.1-10**

**V1** – The writer is pulling together all the arguments that he has thus far used in this book and is heading toward the climax (that the blood of Christ is available to us today)

-**In what sense was the law a shadow?** The Tabernacle was a shadow of heaven

-**What is the evidence that the Old Law could not permanently forgive sins?** They had to keep making sacrifices year after year

**V2** – Answer to argument in *v 1*: They had to continually offer sacrifices

**V3** – There were the yearly sacrifices (Day of Atonement, etc.) to remind people of their sins

**V4** – **What was impossible for the blood of animals to do?** Permanently remove sins

**V5** – Quote from *Psalms 40.6*

-**What is the meaning of that quote?** God never liked the animal sacrifices

-**What had God the Father prepared for the Son?** A body (through Mary)

**V6** – Quote from *Psalms 40.6* – another statement that God did not like the animal sacrifices (suffering, etc.)

**V7** – Quote indicating that Jesus came to do the will of God

**V8** – Another restating of the fact that God did not like the animal sacrifices (He is not sadistic and cruel)

**V9** – **What is the conclusion from this verse from the Old Testament?** Christ came to take away the Old Law

**V10** – Jesus sacrificed Himself once for all (no more sacrificing of the animals)

## **Hebrews 10.11.18**

**V11** – **Why was it futile and useless to go back under the Old Law?** The blood of animals will never permanently take away sins

**V12** – **What has Christ now done?** He has sat down at the right hand of God

-Interesting: Christ was standing when Stephen died in *Acts 7*

-**Why?** To show his concern over the death of one of his faithful servants

**V13** – **What is Christ waiting for now?** For the final defeat of Satan (*Psalms 110*)

**V14** – **How are we “perfected”?** Because the blood of Christ covers our sins

**V 15** – Who else supports the conclusion of the writer of *Hebrews*? The Holy Spirit

**V 16** – Read Jeremiah 31.31-34

-What did Jeremiah prophesy? That a new age was coming

-What would be the characteristic of this new age? God would write his will on the hearts of his people

**V 17** – What else did Jeremiah prophesy? That God would remember their sins no more (because of Jesus Christ)

**V 18** – What can be said about those who reject Christ? There is no other offering for sins (they are lost)

## **Hebrews 10.19-25**

**V 19** – What is the Holy Place now? Heaven

-How can we ever possibly go there? Only because of the blood of Jesus

**V 20** – How did Christ arrange for us to approach God? By the tearing of His flesh (and remember the veil that was torn in the temple at the time of the death of Christ on the cross)

**V 21** – We now have a great high priest for us in heaven

**V 22** – What allows us to approach God? Hearts cleansed from an evil conscience and bodies baptized (washed)

**V 23** – What else should make the Hebrew Christians more faithful? They made the good confession

**V 24** – What should we be doing to each other in the church? Encouraging one another and trying to get our fellow Christians to do good works

**V 25** – What was a very serious problem with the Hebrew Christians? Unfaithful attendance

-Is it always a sin to miss the services of the church? No, it says “forsaking”

-Example: missing because of sickness is not forsaking the assembly

-What does it mean to *forsake*? To miss when we could have been there

-What should we do for each other as the day of worship gets near? Encourage each other

## **Hebrews 10.26-31**

**V 26** – When does the sacrifice of Christ not forgive us of our sins anymore? When we sin willfully after we learn the truth

-What specific sin is he talking about? Forsaking the assembling of ourselves together

**V 27** – What will be the punishment that will come on those who willfully sin? Fire and a

terrifying judgment

**V 28 – What happened to people under the Law of Moses who committed a sin worthy of death?**

They were stoned to death immediately, upon the testimony of two or three witnesses

**V 29 – What would we expect with the New Covenant? More severe punishment**

-**Why will it be more severe?** Because Christ was so much better than the animals, and when we willfully sin, we are trampling Him under our feet

-**What else happens when we willfully sin?** We are insulting the Holy Spirit

**V 30 – What does the Bible say about the punishment of God? Vengeance belongs to God - He will judge His people**

**V 31 – Is this a negative verse? (thought question)**

-**Why was this verse put into the Bible?** Some people can be scared into obeying the gospel

**Read 2 Corinthians 5.11**

-The gospel of Christ is deadly serious business

-If the New Testament is right, then all people had better get their lives right with Christ today (this very minute)

## **Hebrews 10.32-39**

**V 32 – What had happened to the Hebrew Christians after their baptism? They had been persecuted**

**V 33 – How had they been persecuted? Public scorn and mistreatment because they were friends of Christians**

**V 34 – What else had the Hebrews Christians done? They had taken care of Christian prisoners and those who had lost their property**

-**What helped them compensate for the loss of their property?** The greater reward waiting for them

**V 35 – What does the writer of *Hebrews* urge them to do? Not to lose confidence in Jesus Christ**

**V 36 – What was the greatest need that Hebrews Christians had? For more endurance**

**V 37 – Quote from *Habakkuk 2.3***

-**In what sense did Christ come in a very short while?** In death

**V 38 – What is the key to being a good child of God? Having faith**

**V 39 – What will happen to those who desert the Lord? Destruction**

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