

**Valley Bible Church**  
**Sermon Notes for October 25, 2015**

**The Sanctuary Under the Old Covenant**  
**Hebrews 9:1-10**

Having set forth the superiority of Christ to prophets, to angels, and to Moses, the author then set out to show the superiority of Christ's priesthood over all other priesthoods (Hebrews 5:1-10, 18).

This lengthy section of scripture can be divided into two main segments.

The Son's appointment as high priest according to the order of Melchizedek (Hebrews 5:1-7, 28)

Christ's superior high priestly offering (Hebrews 8:1-10:18)

The superiority of Christ's high priestly ministry (Hebrews 8:1-6)

The superiority of the new covenant offering (Hebrews 9:1-10:18)

The sanctuary under the old covenant (Hebrews 9:1-10)

The author began by identifying two aspects of the old covenant sanctuary (Hebrews 9:1).

The author began with a description of the physical aspect of the old covenant sanctuary (Hebrews 9:2-5).

The author then described the priestly service aspect of the old covenant sanctuary (Hebrews 9:6-7).

The author concluded by highlighting the deeper significance of what he had just highlighted (Hebrews 9:8-10).

The old covenant offerings could not provide access to God (Hebrews 9:8).

The old covenant offerings could not make one acceptable to God (Hebrews 9:9-10).

May God give us the grace as we reflect on the old covenant sanctuary to be reminded of

the superiority of Christ's new covenant, high priestly ministry, and offering.

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