

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for February 28, 2016

Christ's Sacrifice Takes Away Sin
Hebrews 10:11-18

As the author brought the superiority of Christ's offering section to a conclusion in Hebrews 10:1-18, he revisited certain themes that he has already introduced within this section.

The sacrifices prescribed by the Law could not take away sin (Hebrews 10:1-4).

Christ's sacrifice did take away sin (Hebrews 10:5-10).

The sacrifices prescribed by the Law, though repeated, could never take away sins but the one singular sacrifice of Christ did (Hebrews 10:11-14).

The fact that the repeated sacrifices prescribed by the Law could never take away sins was communicated in Hebrews 10:11.

The fact that Christ's one sacrifice did take away sins was clearly communicated in Hebrews 10:12-14.

The author in Hebrews 10:12-13 quoting from Psalms 110:1 drew a contrast between the standing posture of the Levitical priests and the sitting posture of Christ.

The author in Hebrews 10:14 declared that Christ's once for all sacrifice perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Those who are sanctified, or in other words, Christians who have exercised faith in Christ have been forever made acceptable to God in Christ.

The new covenant confirms the finality of Christ's sacrifice (Hebrews 10:15-18).

In support of this assertion concerning the finality of Christ's sacrifice, the author in Hebrews 10:16-17 went on to supply a loose rendering of two different portions from Jeremiah 31:31-34.

The first portion emphasized the transformative inward change under the new covenant (Hebrews 10:16; cf. Jeremiah 31:33).

The second portion emphasized the fact that sins and lawless deeds would be remembered no more under the new covenant (Hebrews 10:17; cf. Jeremiah 31:34).

May we by the grace of God understand that because of Christ's superior sacrifice we will always have access to God, for we have been forever made acceptable to God in Christ.

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