



## The Sufficiency of Christ

### STUDY SERIES

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CLASS 11 - THE BETTER SACRIFICE

*“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.” - Revelation 2:7*

### Understanding the Earthly Sacrifices

- **Hebrews 10:1-4** *“For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect. 2 For then would they not have ceased to be offered? For the worshipers, once [a]purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins. 3 But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year. 4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.”*
- “shadow” - a foreshadowing - a template but not the actual article; a revelation of “good things to come”
- These sacrifices has the same problem/shortcoming as the first covenant - “make those who approach perfect” - clean (sanctification - spiritual cleansing esp of one consciousness of sin)
  - If the sacrifices of the OT would have been sufficient for sanctification then they would have only needed to offer sacrifices ONCE and be done
    - The results would have been: Purification and Cleansing spiritually
  - The purpose of the OT sacrifices were never intended to sanctify or to cleanse but to show us the penalty of the righteous requirements of the law of sin and death
  - “reminder of sins” - this was the only things those sacrifices did for them - show them that they could not meet God’s righteous standard on their own
    - **Micah 6:6-7** *“With what shall I come before the Lord, And bow myself before the High God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, With calves a year old? 7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, Ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, [c]The fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”*
    - **Romans 10:1-4** *“Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for [a]Israel is that they may be saved. 2 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. 3 For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. 4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.”*

## Understanding the Heavenly Sacrifice

**Hebrews 10:5-10** “Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: “Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. 6 In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You had no pleasure. 7 Then I said, ‘Behold, I have come—In the volume of the book it is written of Me—To do Your will, O God.’ ” 8 Previously saying, “Sacrifice and offering, burnt offerings, and offerings for sin You did not desire, nor had pleasure in them” (which are offered according to the law), 9 then He said, “Behold, I have come to do Your will, [b]O God.” He takes away the first that He may establish the second. 10 By that will we have been [c]sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.”

- HE[Son of God] “sacrifices and sin offerings You did not desire” - Messianic Psalm 40
  - The “will” of the Father is: **John 3:16-17** “16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.”
  - **2 Peter 3:9** “9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward [c]us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.”
  - **Hebrews 9:22** “22 And according to the law almost all things are [h]purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no [i]remission.
  - **Hebrews 10:18** “18 Now where there is [e]remission of these, there is no longer an offering for sin.”
- **Hebrews 10:19-21** “19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness[f] to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, 21 and having a High Priest over the house of God”
  - “enter the Holiest” - church doesn’t automatically mean that you’re behind the veil - some of us are still in the outer-court!
  - “let us” - 1. Stay in the sanctification process [vs 22] - 2. Hold fast and do not waiver [vs 23] - 3. Remember it’s not just about you [vs 23-24]
- **Proverbs 16:11** “You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.”
- **Psalms 91:1-2** “He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of the Lord, “He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust.”

## Destiny Points:

- Our earthly sacrifices [work for the Kingdom] is important but not the most important
- The sacrifice that God wants is our HEARTS
- The most important thing we must safeguard is our faith!