

# GREATER THAN

A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

**HEBREWS**  
**10:1-18**

## ONCE FOR ALL

**1**For the Law, since it has only a shadow of the good things to come and not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near.

**2**Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, because the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have had consciousness of sins?

**3**But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins year by year.

**4**For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

**5**Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says,

"SACRIFICE AND OFFERING YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED,  
BUT A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR ME;

**6**IN WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND sacrifices FOR SIN YOU HAVE TAKEN NO PLEASURE.

**7**"THEN I SAID, 'BEHOLD, I HAVE COME (IN THE SCROLL OF THE BOOK IT IS WRITTEN OF ME)

TO DO YOUR WILL, O GOD.'"

**8**After saying above, "SACRIFICES AND OFFERINGS AND WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND sacrifices FOR SIN YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, NOR HAVE YOU TAKEN PLEASURE in them" (which are offered according to the Law),

**9**then He said, "BEHOLD, I HAVE COME TO DO YOUR WILL." He takes away the first in order to establish the second.

**10**By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

**11**Every priest stands daily ministering and offering time after time the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins;

**12**but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD,

**13**waiting from that time onward UNTIL HIS ENEMIES BE MADE A FOOTSTOOL FOR HIS FEET.

**14**For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

**15**And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us; for after saying,

**16**"THIS IS THE COVENANT THAT I WILL MAKE WITH THEM  
AFTER THOSE DAYS, SAYS THE LORD:

I WILL PUT MY LAWS UPON THEIR HEART,  
AND ON THEIR MIND I WILL WRITE THEM,"

He then says,

**17**"AND THEIR SINS AND THEIR LAWLESS DEEDS

I WILL REMEMBER NO MORE."

**18**Now where there is forgiveness of these things, there is no longer any offering for sin.





# DIGGING IN

Read Hebrews 10:1-18

## DISCUSS

- In what way is the law a shadow of the good things to come? For example, in the law what is the shadow of Jesus' sacrifice?
- What can the law not do?
- So what could the law do?
- How does verse 2 prove the conclusion in verse 1 that the law cannot make perfect those who draw near?
- What does verse 3 say is a reason for those continual sacrifices?
- Why does God not desire sacrifices? What does He desire then?
- What do you think God did (and does) take pleasure in?
- What could be a similar thing in the modern church that we think God is pleased in, but He might not be depending on our hearts?
- What does the following phrase mean: "He takes away the first in order to establish the second?"
- Verse 10: By what will?
- What is the significance that Christ sat down at the right hand of God after His sacrifice?
- What is He waiting for? Why is He waiting? Why not subject all enemies to Himself now? What does He want to accomplish first?
- Explain the importance of the phrase: "perfected for all time those who are sanctified."
- How can we better allow God's law to be on our minds and heart? Is there anything we can do to make this process easier?
- Can God literally forget our sins?