

# The Supremacy of Christ: In Ministry Heb 8:1-12:3

HEBREWS: THE “BETTER” LIFE:  
SHEDDING OF BLOOD  
9:22-28

## Message so far...

- JESUS: BETTER IN MEDIATION [4:14-7:28]
- JESUS: BETTER IN MINISTRY [8:1-12:3]
  - 8:1-6 – introduction of 5 “betters” ... all expanded
  - Better Covenant – 8:7-13
  - Better Sanctuary – 9:1-12
  - Better Sacrifices – 9:13-10:18
  - Better Promises – 10:19-12:3

## Tabernacle built (19-21)

- Vs 21 – when all was built, consecrated again
  - Ex 40; Le 8 gives preparations... a great study!
  - Do we prepare to go into the Lord's presence...
  - In the Name of Jesus...
  - Vessels of Ministry... 2 Cor 4:7; 2Tim 2:20,21
  - Holy Spirit vessels...

# The Blood...

## ○ The Blood of the Covenant

- Some things required washings... Ex 19:10; 32:30
- Other things fire... Nu 16:46; 31:23
- But for all else... the blood! Ox, lamb, goat, birds...
- Lev 17:11

## ○ Blood sealed the agreement and was the payment

- Jesus is the **ONLY** source of the Blood for our covenant
- Mt 26:28 – poured out for forgiveness of sins.

# His Blood Alone

- ⊙ All other means of pardon are not only worthless, but an insult to the giver of the new promise.
  - Since we have this kind of promise...
  - How blessed a people we are...
- ⊙ Necessary for “copies” to be cleansed (23)
  - Why would the Heavenly items need cleansing?
  - Because imperfect sinful man was approaching them!
  - Everything man approaches or touches - in Christ's blood
  - Even as the creation was made thru the WORD...

## His cleansing (24)

- ...it is ALL now perfected in the BLOOD of the WORD
  - Nothing is presentable before God without this BLOOD
- Christ entered a tabernacle not made with hands (9:11)
  - Not copies, but the real! Not earth, but Heaven itself
  - What did he think of his calling temple “copy”?
  - He enters the presence for us... Ro 8:34; 1Jo 2:1; He 7:25
  - Since He is at the Right hand... Jn 14:12-14

# ONCE for all...

## ○ When is it enough?

- Jewish feasts and festivals... daily sacrifices and offerings
- How could something so long ago still be valid and effective?
- High priest went in with blood of bulls, sheep, goats
- No personal investment for those in need...

## ○ The Eternal Gift (26b)

- Jesus dies ONCE for the consummation of all things in Him
- Jesus death was a manifested death – out in the open

# His Eternal gift

- It REQUIRED the sacrifice of HIMSELF, not just blood
  - “to put away sin” - atonement - (2x 7:18 – abolition, rejection)
  - "The sacrifice of Christ dealt with sin as a principle: the Levitical sacrifices with individual transgressions" (Vincent).
- This one act of God was enough for all and every sin
  - As He was in Creation, so in Salvation

# One Chance...

- It has been appointed (*apokeimai*), reserved
  - Man dies... this is a fact of creation and the effects of sin
  - Man dies once (*hapax*) – opps, there goes reincarnation!
  - No second chance, no repetition, no other destinations...
  - Another issue is also put to rest.. Death is NOT the end...
- Judgment (*krisis*) separation, condemnation, punishment
  - The FACT of a reckoning cannot be avoided... Jn 5:25-29
  - Many are hoping on a stay or continuance...

- John 5:25 "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. 26 "For just as the Father has life in Himself, even so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself; 27 and He gave Him authority to execute judgment, because He is [the] Son of Man. 28 **"Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, 29 and will come forth; those who did the good [deeds] to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil [deeds] to a resurrection of judgment.**

# Christ's promise

- As He was offered
- As He bore the sins - every act
- “many” – without faith, no application of covenant
- He “will appear” again, not for sin...
- “those who eagerly await” Rom 8:19,23,25; Ph 3:20; 1Cor 1:7
- HE IS COMING BACK!!!

- Ro 8:19 For the anxious longing of the creation waits <553> eagerly <553> for the revealing of the sons of God.
- Ro 8:23 And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting <553> eagerly <553> for [our] adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.
- Ro 8:25 But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait <553> eagerly <553> for it.
- 1Co 1:7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, awaiting <553> eagerly <553> the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- Ga 5:5 For we through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting <553> for the hope of righteousness.
- Php 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly <553> wait <553> for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;