

Hebrews Pt 14 “One Time”

Central Question:

What changes when we move from religion to a living relationship with Jesus, the once-for-all High Priest?

Primary Text:

Hebrews 9:11–28 (KJV cited throughout)

Supporting Scriptures:

John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5; Leviticus 17:11; Hebrews 10:12

I. Introduction and Setup

- Welcome, humor, and expectation of many verses
- Confidence in God’s approval over people’s approval
- Personal note about family and transparency

II. Public Reading of Scripture

- Full reading of Hebrews 9:11–28
- Invitation to respond to the Word as it is read

III. Why Hebrews, Why Now

- Audience: Jewish believers tempted to return to the Old Covenant system
- Thesis of Hebrews so far: Christ is superior to angels, Moses, priesthood, tabernacle, and sacrifices

IV. Christ Our High Priest in a Greater Tabernacle (v.11)

- Not made with hands; heavenly, greater, and more perfect
- Jesus’ ministry beyond four walls; ministering in the world, not confined to buildings

V. Religion vs. Relationship

- Religion cannot bring eternal change; only Christ can
- Key scriptures: John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5
- Reframing “old time religion”: desire a fresh anointing and living relationship with Jesus

VI. The Power of the Blood (vv.12–14)

- Not by the blood of animals but by His own blood; eternal redemption
- Contrast: repeated sacrifices vs. Christ’s once-for-all sacrifice
- Application: stop relying solely on others’ prayers; learn to pray and seek God yourself
- Call to be covered by the atoning blood; “I know it was the blood”

VII. The Mediator and the New Covenant (v.15) Christ had to die for us to live; redemption of transgressions

- The promise of eternal inheritance for those who are called

VIII. The Will and Inheritance Analogy (vv.16–17)

- A testament takes effect upon death
- Fulfillment at the cross; confirmation by the empty tomb
- Our inheritance secured when the stone was rolled away

IX. Honest Testimony and Accepting the Call

- Speaker’s journey: early profession vs. real surrender through trials
- Distinguishing spiritual warfare from the pull of the flesh
- God’s power to deliver from addiction, loss, and despair

X. Better Sacrifice, Seated Savior (vv.24–28; Heb 10:12)

- Christ entered heaven itself to appear for us
- One sacrifice for sins forever; He sat down at the right hand of God
- Application: since He is seated (work finished), we should be standing (work engaged)

XI. Get Out of the Four Walls

- We cannot hide behind leaders' prayers or church walls
- Engage the Word, prayer, worship, and real relationship
- Clarify roles: God changes hearts; leaders guide and teach

XII. One Time: A Rallying Call

- Do it one time for God: worship, praise, dance, shout with your whole heart
- The veil is torn; access the throne room anywhere (car, work, home)
- Jesus is your Go-To; come boldly by His blood

XIII. Encourage Yourself in the Lord

- Like David, encourage yourself; reject self-pity
- Form a real, personal relationship with God

XIV. Honor Leadership and Walk in Unity

- Get behind your leadership; they need prayer and support
- Unity strengthens the body and the mission

XV. Response and Altar Call

- Invitation to salvation: come and meet Jesus
- Invitation for believers needing prayer: encourage yourself and come

- No music required; we go together to the throne room

Key Ideas to Remember

- Jesus' blood secures eternal redemption; animal sacrifices cannot
- Relationship with Jesus, not religion, brings true transformation
- The New Covenant gives direct access to God; no waiting on a priest
- Our inheritance is activated by Christ's death and secured by His resurrection
- Accept the call, share your testimony, and serve beyond the church walls

Practical Application

- Enter the throne room daily wherever you are
- Pray and worship with your own voice; don't outsource your faith
- Take one "one time for God" step this week in obedience and witness
- Encourage and pray for your leaders; labor together in unity

Reflection Questions

- Where have you relied on religion or others' prayers instead of seeking Jesus yourself?
- What is one concrete "one time for God" step you will take this week?
- How will you encourage yourself in the Lord when trials arise?
- Who needs to hear your testimony of what Jesus has done for you?

Scripture References for Further Study

Hebrews 9:11–28; Hebrews 10:12; John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5; Leviticus 17:11