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November 9 – Hebrews 9:11-28

But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. ¹²Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.¹³ For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, ¹⁴how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? ¹⁵And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

¹⁶For where there *is* a testament, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. ¹⁷For a testament *is* in force after men are dead, since it has no power at all while the testator lives. ¹⁸Therefore not even the first *covenant* was dedicated without blood. ¹⁹For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and goats, with water, scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, ²⁰saying, “This *is* the blood of the covenant which God has commanded you.”²¹ Then likewise he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry. ²²And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.

²³Therefore *it was* necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. ²⁴For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, *which are* copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; ²⁵not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— ²⁶He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. ²⁷And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, ²⁸so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.

OKAY, HERE'S MY TEACHING COMMENTARY

In this portion of Paul's letter he goes into detail explaining how Christ became both the High Priest and the supreme sacrifice offering up his own holy blood to redeem humanity eternally! The difference between earthly high priests and Jesus Christ the Son of God is that the earthly priests needed to constantly offer up the blood of bulls and animals which could never take away the sins of the worshipers. On the other hand, the blood of Jesus Christ was completely

sinless and accepted by God as the ultimate payment for all of our sins. The Bible teaches us here that God required blood to be shed to sanctify the Old Testament temple and was used to create the covenant between God and his people. Apparently, Jesus used his blood to sanctify forever the temple of God in Heaven as well. This is why when Jesus died on the cross his blood was accepted by God as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Jesus was our substitute taking our place on the cross, receiving the penalty for sin in his own flesh when his sinless blood was poured out in our place. He was the perfect sacrifice for our sins. Now the wrath of God and his eternal justice has been forever satisfied for all that repent and believe on Jesus to be saved! That's good news, can you say "Praise the Lord."

Another very important principle that this portion of Scripture teaches us is that there is an appointment for every man to die and after this the judgment. Verse 27 says; "**appointed for men to die once**, but after this the judgment." This means that every person only lives one time on earth and will stand before God on the day of judgment. This also teaches us that reincarnation is a false teaching because nobody comes back as another person to live another life in any form whether human or animal which some believe today. The difference between reincarnation and Christianity is that with reincarnation everybody gets a second chance to improve their life until they get it right and go into a perfect state called Nirvana. This is completely false and goes directly against the teaching of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone.

Friends, we can't earn our salvation and you will not get another chance to come back and make right any sin that you have committed in this life because we will all stand before God and answer on the day of judgment for the life that he gave us to live while on earth. The good news is that Jesus blood cleanses all sinners that repentant turn to him in faith. Thank God, we don't need to earn our salvation by trying to be good enough but rather by simply humbling ourselves saying God be merciful to me a sinner and then the blood of Jesus is applied to cleanse and wash away all our sins giving us the gift of his righteousness!

WHAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE?

- 1) Jesus blood is superior to the blood of bulls and animal sacrifices.
- 2) Jesus is now our High Priest to cleanse us from our sins.
- 3) The blood of Jesus provides eternal redemption for us.
- 4) Only the blood of Christ can sanctify the temple of God in Heaven.
- 5) It's appointed for all people to die once then after this the judgement.
- 6) Believers have the assurance that our sins are forgiven and we are saved through grace.
- 7) Reincarnation is a false teaching and is incompatible with the Christian faith.

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