



Hebrews: The Whole Way

A Bible Study with John N. Oswalt at the Francis Asbury Society

SESSION 8

Hebrews 9:11–10:18

A Better Sacrifice

1. Look up Exodus 24:8. What was the point of that act there? Compare this statement with that of Jesus in Matthew 26:28. What is the point there?
2. How many times does “blood” occur in this passage? Why is there so much emphasis on this? Notice the final statement in Hebrews 9:22. Why is this true? Compare with your answer to question 1 above.
3. According to verses 12–14 what does Jesus’ blood do that the blood of bulls and goats cannot do?

Why is this so?

4. How does the writer understand the nature of the old covenant (vv. 16–20)? Why was it then necessary to seal the covenant with blood? However, in verses 21–22, he assigns a further purpose for the blood. What does it accomplish in these cases?
5. What has Christ done (vv. 23–28)? How many times was it necessary? Why? (cf. Heb. 7:26–28)
6. In what ways do the Old Testament sacrifices foreshadow New Testament realities (Heb. 10:1)? Why did God command sacrifices if he was not “pleased” with them (Heb. 10:6)?

