

In Hebrews 9:11-14, we are shown 4 ways Christ's work is better than the Old Covenant system.

- I. Christ is a better Offeror (v. 11a).
- II. Christ work's in a better offering place (vs. 11b, 12a).
- III. Christ is a better Offering.
 - A. His own blood (vs. 12b, 14a)
 - B. His own blemish-free body (v. 14b).
- IV. Christ provides a better outcome.
 - A. Animal blood only provides external purification (v. 13).
 - B. Christ's blood provides:
 1. Eternal redemption (v. 12c).
 2. Internal purification (v. 14c, d).
 3. Service to the living God (v. 14e).

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

In preparation for Sunday, October 18, 2020

Passage: Hebrews 9:11-14

Memory Passage: Hebrews 9:11-14

DAY 1 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Heb. 9:11-14.** The adversative “But” that begins v. 11 tells us a contrast is about to be given. What did you learn last week that is about to be contrasted?

(b) What are the “good things that have come” (v. 11; cf. 10:1)?

(c) Explain what is meant by “the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation)” (cf. 8:2; 9:24; Mark 14:58).

(d) What makes this tent “greater” and “more perfect?”

DAY 2 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Hebrews 9:11-14.** With what is Jesus being contrasted by the phrase “once for all,” and why is this important?

(b) With what is Jesus being contrasted by the mention of “by means of the blood of goats and calves” (see Lev. 16:11-16)?

(c) Explain the phrase, “by means of his own blood.” Does it mean He carried His own blood into the heavenly realm to make an offering? Does it mean He needed to cleanse Himself first? Something else?

(d) What is “eternal redemption” and how did Christ secure it (v. 12)?

DAY 3 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Heb. 9:11-14.** Explain the OT ritual of “sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer” (cf. Numb. 19).

(b) What does “purification of the flesh” mean, and how did these OT sacrifices accomplish this?

(c) What does the “if” (v. 13) prepare you for?

DAY 4 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Heb 9:11-14.** Why is the concept of “blood” so central to these verses?

(b) What does v. 14 teach you about the work of the Holy Spirit?

(c) Why is it so important for Christ to be “without blemish?”

(d) Why did Christ “offer himself to God?”

DAY 5 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

(a) **Read Heb. 9:11-14.** What does “purify our conscience” mean, and how does it contrast with the result/outcome of offerings of the blood of bulls & goats & heifers?

(b) What are the “dead works” from which our consciences are purified?

(c) How do “dead works” differ from “serving the living God?”

(d) In what ways has Christ’s purifying work produced the good work of serving the living God? In what ways must you repent of sin and change your priorities in order to increase the good works in your walk?

(e) Meditate on the fact that you have partaken of Christ’s “eternal redemption.” How does this fact help you persevere in the Christian life? How does it help you fight doubts about your salvation? How does it help you grow in your daily gratitude toward God? In what ways do the truths found in 9:11-14 help you fight your sin and glorify God?

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