

3b. Fully Forgiven: Christ's Sacrifice Once for All
Pre-Read Heb. 5:1-6; Heb.7: 1-28
Class Reading Heb. 10:1-18

Open It

1. *What is one thing you would buy at a very high price if paying that price meant you never had to pay for it again?

Explore It

1. How is the Law compared to the new covenant brought by Christ? (10:1)
2. *In what way was the Law of Moses glaringly inadequate? (10:1-2)
3. How did the author of Hebrews show that the Law was inadequate? (10:2)
4. What function did the annual sacrifices serve? Why? (10:3-4)
5. How successful were animal sacrifices under the old covenant? (10:4)
6. Why wasn't God pleased with the sacrifices and offerings of the old covenant? (10:5-6)
7. What was the attitude of Christ when He came into the world? (10:7)
8. What evidence of the futility and emptiness of the old covenant did the author cite? (10:8)
9. *If God neither desired nor was pleased with old covenant sacrifices, why did the Israelites make them? (10:8)
10. What role does a believer play in earning God's approval? (10:9-14)
11. What did Christ's single act of dying accomplish for those who would trust in Him? (10:14)
12. How did the new covenant change the way God motivates His people to live for Him? (10:16)
13. *What effect did the sacrifice of Christ have on the way God views our sins? (10:17)
14. Why are additional sacrifices for sin unnecessary? (10:18)

Get It

1. What has Christ done for us?
2. How would you contrast the shortcomings of the old covenant with the blessings of the new covenant?
3. Why do Christians still feel guilt when God says He forgives and forgets their transgressions?
4. *How does being cleansed of sin by Christ change us?
5. What do you think prompted or motivated Jesus to make the sacrifice He made?
6. *In what sense have we "been made holy" (10:10) while at the same time "are being made holy" (10:14)?
7. What insights from this passage can we use to show that being saved from sin requires faith in Christ?

Apply It

1. In what specific areas of your life today do you need to follow the example of Christ in saying, "I have come to do your will, O God"?
2. *What can you do this week to show trust in Christ's provision for forgiveness?