



THE NEW COVENANT In Jesus' Blood

Hebrews 10:19-25

Introduction

- In Christ we have been given every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places (Eph. 1:3).
- We are freed from the condemnation of sin and made alive to God (Eph. 2:4).
- We have an inheritance reserved in Heaven for us (1 Pet 1:4).
- The vehicle by which God grants us access to all of this is *the New Covenant*.
- Therefore, it is vital that we define our understanding of Jesus' sacrifice and our salvation in Him through the lens of the New Covenant.

Foreshadowed By the First Covenant

- Heb. 9:9 (symbolic), 24 (copies), 10:1 (a shadow).
- Ex. 19:5-8: Based on promises and obligations.
- Gal. 3:19-20: A Mediator (go-between).
- Heb. 9:18: Dedicated with blood (offering of life) (Ex. 24:3-8).
- Heb. 9:23: Priesthood and articles of services sprinkled clean for service.
- Heb 10:1, 11: Sin offerings to be made, year after year, day after day (Lev. 4-7).

Significance of the High Priest

- Mediation, sin offerings, and cleansing all required something that could only be illustrated in the Old Testament—**entrance to the presence of God.**
- Mount Sinai: Moses went near for the people (Ex. 24:16ff).
- Tabernacle: The mercy seat covering the ark of the covenant, behind the veil (Ex. 25:22; Lev. 16).
- There, the high priest went to intercede for the people to obtain mercy for his own sins and theirs through the offering of blood (life). (Heb. 9:7)

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- Heb. 10:1-3; 12-14: What the Old Covenant could only illustrate, and animal sacrifices could only foreshadow, Jesus fulfilled through His death and resurrection!
- Matt. 26:28: “*The is My blood of the New Covenant which is shed for many for the remission of sins.*”

In One Act of Self-sacrifice Jesus...

- Ratified the New Covenant in His blood.
 - As Moses at the Mountain, Jesus calls us with promises through His gospel, offering the remission of sins.
 - With His promises, He expresses our obligation—obedience by faith (Matt. 28:20).
- Made an offering for sin, one time for all time (Hebrews 10:12-14).
 - We do not make sin offerings daily, we have the One Sacrifice of Jesus for our sins (1 John 2:1).
 - But we are to live daily as belonging not to ourselves, but to Christ! (Gal. 2:20; 2 Cor. 5:14-15).

In His Resurrection Jesus...

- Entered into the presence of God in heaven as our High Priest (Heb. 6:19-20).
- Took the offering of His own blood (or the power of that offering) into the presence of God for the remission of our sins (Heb. 9:24-26).
- Therefore, in Christ, through the offering of His blood AND His resurrection, we now have access to the Most Holy Place—the true presence of God in Heaven!

Through the Gospel We...

- Are able to enter into a covenant relationship with God in Christ.
- Are declared the promises and obligations of that New Covenant (Jer. 31:3-34; Luke 24:46-47).
- Are asked to make a choice...
 - Will you enter into a covenant with God?
 - Will you offer your life in service to Him as Christ offering His in service to you?
 - Will you come near to the living God by faith in the sacrifice and resurrection of Jesus Christ?

Conclusion

- Hebrews 4:14-15: Therefore, let us come boldly to the throne of grace.
- Hebrews 6:19-20: The presence behind the veil.
- Hebrews 10:19-25: Having boldness to enter the Holiest by a new and living way which He consecrated for us.