

Born to Die

Once for All- Hebrews 10:1-10
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For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. **-Hebrews 10:4**

I. TYPE AND ANTI-TYPE

- The law of Moses, with its ceremonial and sacrificial requirements, merely shadowed the reality that was to follow in Jesus (Heb. 7:11-9:28; Rom. 3:21-26).
- The law was the type (shadow), Jesus is the anti-type (reality) (Ps. 40:6-8).
- The repetition of sacrifices required under the law was a built-in red flag that pointed to their inadequacy. They could not decisively deal with human sinfulness (Lev. 16).
- The law's role was to show us our sin, not take away our sin (Rom. 7:7-12).
- Although God took no pleasure in the sacrifices themselves, he commanded that they be performed, and he was pleased by the obedience of those who made the offer (vs. 8; Num. 15:13-14; 1 Sam. 15:22).

II. A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED

- The writer of Hebrews interprets Psalm 40:6 as a Hebrew metaphor for creation, a hermeneutic reserved exclusively for the Holy Spirit.
- The words of Psalm 40:6 are said to be the words of Jesus himself (vs. 5).
- The Incarnation was always in the plan of God (Gen. 3:15; Isa. 7:14; 9:1-7).

III. BEHOLD, I HAVE COME...

- Jesus "took up" a body in order to do the will of God. God's will called for his Son to die as a propitiation for our sins (Acts 2:23; 4:27; Rom. 3:25; Heb. 2:17; 1 John 2:2; 4:10).
- By God's will, we have now been sanctified, and are being sanctified, by the physical body of Jesus on the cross, in our place, once and for all (John 19:30; Col. 1:21-23; Heb. 10:14).

KNOW: The death of Jesus was planned. The Incarnation led to the Crucifixion and the Resurrection. There was a purpose in it all.

DO: Accept the once for all sacrifice on your behalf.

Suggested Reading:

For Your Joy, by John Piper

The Cross of Christ, by John R.W. Stott

Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

Please read Hebrews 10:1-10

1. What word does the writer of Hebrews use to refer to the law? What image does that word bring to your mind?
2. What had to occur in the sacrificial system of Judaism that clearly showed it was an inadequate system?
3. What was Pastor Jym's point concerning the writer of Hebrews' interpretation of Psalm 40:6 in verse 5 of our text for Sunday?
4. Does it help you to know that Jesus' death was once for all, that because of his death you have been made holy by his work on the cross? If so, in what ways?
5. What was the main point of the message?
6. What was your main take-away from the message that you can reflect upon this advent season?