

Greater Than Any Other Sacrifice

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

What We Are Learning in this Series!

1. Jesus Christ is better than anything this world has to offer!
2. We please our Lord when we express our faith in action.

The Sacrifice of Jesus as the High Priest

¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. ¹⁴ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

Hebrews 10:11-14

⁵⁰ And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. ⁵¹ At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split

Matthew 27:50-51

	High Priest	Jesus Christ
When	Day after day	At the Cross
Position	Stands	Sat down
How Often	Again and again	Once
The Offering	Same sacrifice	Himself
Result	Sin covered	Sin erased

¹⁷ Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more. ¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary.

Hebrews 10:17-18

Because of Jesus we have:

1. Confidence

“Therefore, brothers and sisters, since **we have confidence** to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body.” Hebrews 10:19-20

“Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with **confidence**, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.” Hebrews 4:16

2. A Great High Priest

“And since **we have a great priest** over the house of God.” Hebrews 10:21

“Therefore, since we have a **great high priest** who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.” Hebrews 4:16

Because of Jesus we are to:

1. Draw near to God

“Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.” Hebrews 10:22

2. Hold unwaveringly to hope

“Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.” Hebrews 10:23

“We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain,” Hebrews 6:19

“being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” Philippians 1:6

3. Spur one another on

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.” Hebrews 10:24

a. Meet together

“not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing..

b. Encourage one another

“but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” Hebrews 10:25