"Better SACRIFICE"

(The FULL REDEMPTION of Jesus Christ)

Hebrews 10:10-18

Introduction; What do all religions have in common? A need for sacrifice
In the OT there were Passover Sacrifices (Lev. 23:4-5; Exod.12:1-13); Yom Kippur Sacrifices (Day of Atonement) (Lev. 16:1-34); Burnt Offerings (Lev. 1:1-17); Meal Offerings (Lev. 2:1-16); Peace Offerings (Lev. 3:1-17); Sin Offerings (Lev. 4:1-5:13; cp. 6:25-30); Trespass Offeringd (Lev. 5:14;6:7).
"It is estimated that at Passover as many as 300,000 lambs would be slain within a week" (MacArthur, p. 246). Yet all 300,000 could NOT take sin away.

Our Redemption has been "paid in full"

**** All of the lambs, bulls & goats sacrificed in the Old Testament could not accomplish what Christ's sacrifice did!***

I. With a BETTER SACRIFICE,
Jesus has provided for our holiness (v.10)
(Christ's finished sacrifice provides complete sanctification)

"By the which will" - In fulfillment of God's will (desire) Christ was sacrificed that we might be sanctified.

[NOTE: In contrast to the teaching of the Unification Church of Rev. Moon, it was not a failure for Christ to die, rather He fulfilled His will!]

"Sanctified" - set-apart (positionally) from the rest of fallen humanity; made holy in God's sight; to achieve a position of sainthood.

II. With a BETTER SACRIFICE,
Jesus has secured our future (v.11-14)
(Christ's finished sacrifice provides absolute eternal security)
V. 11
"Standeth" - as opposed to Christ having *"sat down"* (v. 12).
There were no chairs in the Tabernacle because the priests' job was never over.
V. 12
"For ever" - for all time; into eternity; perpetually.
V. 14
The reason Christ can remain seated until His return is because His one offering for sin is sufficient, enough, fully capable to "perfect" those who have been sanctified **forever**! No additional work is needed.

"Perfected" - (a past action of perfecting us with on-going continual results). The same word Jesus used on the cross when He said, **"It is finished." (John 20:28)**
It refers to completeness; Christ has imputed to us a complete perfection. He has brought us to God's goal for righteousness.

III. With a BETTER SACRIFICE,
Jesus has forgotten our sin (v.17)
(Christ's finished sacrifice provides permanent forgiveness)

V. 17
"Sins" - Every time we missed God's standard (we came short of God's mark of righteousness).

"Iniquities" - every time we disregarded God's Law and acted lawlessly (rebelliously).

Sin is man's greatest problem; therefore, forgiveness is man's greatest need! Psychiatry and drugs may cover the symptoms of man's deepest problem, but only Christ (the Great Physician) can remove the problem.

Call His name "Jesus" the angel said, because *"He shall save His people from their sins"* (Mt. 1:21).

"Remember no more" - God will never recall our sins and hold them against us.
The omniscience of God would prevent Him from losing anything from His memory; but the grace and mercy of God will prevent Him from throwing our sin back into our face.

IV. With a BETTER SACRIFICE,
God requires NO MORE OFFERING for Sin (v.18)
(Christ's finished sacrifice eliminates the need for any more sacrifice for sin)

V. 18
"Remission" - forgiveness. If something is forgiven, a repayment for the wrong committed is unnecessary.

To "forgive" means to release the sinner of his debt; to forget about requiring payment for the damage done.

1 John 5:11-13 – RECEIVE HIM TODAY