

A New Living Way Hebrews 10.19-25

Introduction.

St. Augustine Said; “Thou hast formed us for Thyself, and our hearts are restless till they find rest in Thee.”

God’s desire for our life is that we enjoy the fellowship with Him & always experience deep joy and peace.

- Sin Separated man from God.
- Man cannot save himself from his sinfulness.

That barrier should be dealt through the blood of Christ.

God taught the Israelites by the law and symbols of the OT the need of blood sacrifices to enter in to the presence of god.

The Tabernacle. Exodus 25 – 40.

The tabernacle has three parts - outer court, holy place and most holy place.

Outer Court.

- The first item in the outer court of the tabernacle was the **altar of sacrifice** Exod.20:24, 25).
- The altar of sacrifice - symbolizing the cross on which Christ died for our sins.
- **The Bronze Laver**

Beyond the altar of sacrifice was the laver - a large vessel full of water for washing –

- Symbolizing both the "washing of water by the word of God" (Eph.5:26) and water baptism.

The Holy Place.

The Golden Table of Bread.

This represents Jesus as the Bread of life and the Word of God as the bread by which we are to live (Matt.4:4).

The Golden Lamp stand.

The lamp stand inside the holy place symbolizes the testimony of our life as well as of the local church. .

The Golden Altar of Incense.

The altar of incense inside the holy place represents prayer in Jesus’ Name (Rev.5:8).Pray without ceasing.

The Holy of Holies. - The Golden Ark of the Covenant

The ark contains:

- the two tablets of stone
- a golden pot with manna
- Aaron's rod (that had come to life and budded).

Therefore, in the most holy place we have God’s presence, promise, provision & power. However, a thick veil separates from the holy place to the Most Holy place.

Only the High priest has been permitted to go to the most holy place on the Day of Atonement.

Through this symbolism, God is teaching that we are not acceptable to Him because of our sins and our need for atonement.

Hebrews 4.16

Now we can approach the throne of god – the holy of holies with boldness ...

How did this accomplished?

This was the result of Christ's atoning work on the cross at Calvary.

How Jesus did it? Hebrews10.19

Three bodies of Christ mentioned in the Scriptures

- Physical Body – Hebrew10.5-7
- Mystical Body – The church. Ephesians.1. 22-23
- Symbolic Body – Communion. John 6.53-58 Luke 22.19 1Cori.11.23-32

Jesus did the Father's will with his physical body.
Hebrews10.7

What was father's will for Jesus?

The same moment Jesus' body was rent on the cross the veil in the temple was divided by the power of God.

When the flesh was broken in death, the veil was rent.

Our Way into the Most Holy Place.

Jesus has inaugurated this new and living way now for us - so that we can walk on it every day (He.10:19,20).

We do not have to do it ourselves any more. But, we need to walk in the way of the cross everyday for experiencing the manifested presence of god.

Our flesh needs to be broken ...

Flesh has three meanings:

- Human beings Rom. 3:20, Isaiah 40.6 KJV
- Physical body 1 Cori.15.39 (Gal. 2:20),
- Sinful nature that we all inherited from Adam (Rom. 7:5).Galatians 5.16-23

Offer your body as a living sacrifice Romans.12.2

Denying one's own will and doing the Father's will is the secret of true spirituality.

Our spiritual life does not depend on our feelings.

This is not just a door through which we enter, once for all. It is a way on which we have to walk all through our life.

How can you continue to walk in this new way?

4 Practical applications. Hebrew10.22-25

1. Let us Draw Near to Him .10.22
2. Let us Hold On Hebrews 10:23
3. Let us Consider one another 10.24
4. Let us Not Give Up Hebrews 10:25

