

The Blessings from Christ's Sacrifice

Text: Hebrews 10:10-18

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I. The Blessing of _____ - Sanctification (Heb. 10:10).

This phrase 'we are sanctified' is a perfect participle with a finite verb "which shows in the strongest way the believer's continuing and permanent salvation" (MacArthur 254). The better rendering would be 'having been sanctified' and speaks of a state the believer will enjoy forever.

God has set us apart to do His work for Him. It is God's will that we be set apart for God. Those who believe in the Lord Jesus have been placed into that positional standing in Christ.

Truly, it is always on the basis of obedience that the way to God is opened.

II. The Blessing of _____ - Removal of Our Sins (10:11-12).

Jesus Christ's sacrifice was completely and wondrously effective. So much so that He only had to offer one sacrifice for sins. He never had to repeat it. And the author reminds us that He then sat down.

The sitting down by Christ indicates His work is complete.

Christ will never have to stand again to sacrifice!

The contrast is clear: many priests to One Priest. Many sacrifices to One sacrifice. Undone versus Done. Standing versus sitting. Ineffective versus effective. Temporary versus permanent. Incomplete and repetitive verses complete and finished.

III. The Blessing of _____ - Destroying His Enemies (Heb. 10:13)

Jesus Christ will one day have all foes in subjugation to Himself. Jesus Christ's sacrifice once for all rendered the defeat of His enemies:

- Sin – I Cor. 15:54-57
- Death – I Cor. 15:25-26
- Devil – Heb. 2:14
- Principalities and powers/fallen angelic beings – Col. 2:15
- World – Phil. 2:10
- All enemies/nations – Psalm 2:2; 8ff: Rev. 19:11-16

All the enemies' defeat has been guaranteed at the cross, but the defeat has not been fully executed at this time. One day that it will be complete!

IV. The Blessing of _____ - Perfecting of the Saints - (Heb. 10:14)

hath perfected: This phrase (Greek: *teleioo*) means *to make complete, perfect, to finish*.

This perfecting means that God will complete is work of sanctifying us.

II Cor. 5:21: "For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." "One could not be more perfect or complete than to be clothed in the righteousness of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Sumner 246).

V. The Blessing of _____ - Holy Spirit's Testimony (Heb. 10:15-17)

God promised the New Covenant. Jesus Christ inaugurated the New Covenant. The Holy Spirit testifies of the New Covenant provisions.

VI. The Blessing of _____ - It is Finished (Heb. 10:18)

Where Jesus Christ sacrificed and brought forgiveness of sins as attested by the Holy Spirit, there is no longer needed another offering for sin.