

Hebrews The Superior sacrifice.

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Text : Hebrews 10v1-18

As you read in the book of Hebrews we have seen the author discuss

- (a) Better Promises Hebs 8v7-13
- (b) Better sanctuary Hebs 9v1-28

The author reaches a climax with his discussion with a look at
The Better Sacrifice.

He deals with this already in Hebrews 7v26-27,
Chapter 9v 11-14 and 24-26.

But now there is a clear contrast between the Old sacrificial system compared with the
new.

Chapter 10-v1.

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- (a) Animal sacrifices did not provide true remission of sin.They only covered the
sin.

The law was only a shadow of the good things to come.
Hebrews 10v1a

Hebrews 8v 4-5 says that the gifts and sacrifices were a copy and shadow of the heavenly
things .

They symbolized what actually Jesus would do.
Heb 9v11-12 and v 24.

These good things included such things as
HIS BETTER Sacrifice.

The better Hope.

The Eternal Redemption and the Eternal Inheritance.

2 : The sacrifices did not make the worshippers Perfect

Hebrews 10v1-2

As the repetitive nature of the sacrifices show this.

B : Animal sacrifices provided a reminder of sin.(expand)

- (1) Every year

(2) In addition to daily and monthly sacrifices there were the annual sacrifice on the Day of Atonement

The constant sacrifices reminded them for the need of cleansing.

Even though we don't sacrifice we must cleanse ourselves daily and Keep short accounts .If we don't then sin can creep upon us and ensnare us.Soon our consciences become seared and sin enslaves us.

It was not possible for the blood of Goats and Bulls to take away sin !

Why ? Why ????

1 : There were essential defects in these sacrifices.....

Firstly they were not of the same nature of those who sinned ?

does an animal have a concept of sin. ? No....

They were not of sufficient value to make satisfactory payment for the affronts done to God's justice.(Expand Idolatory sacrifices)

NB Our Sovereign God is a God of Love and Mercy and Justice.

His laws were broken so Justice was demanded !!!!.

The beasts offered up could not consent to put themselves in the sinners place. ILLUSTRATION abattoirs Animals don't go voluntarily to be slaughtered.

The Atoning Sacrifice must be capable of CONSENTING and it Must Voluntary Substitute himself in the sinners Place. JESUS DID SO.

The nature and requirements of Jesus Office as our substitute in his work of redemption through his death on the cross ABSOLUTELY require of him that he has to be divine.Man Could not do it.

ROM 3V23 ALL have sinned

As a candidate for a substitute he must be able to meet at Least
SIX prerequisites or qualifications.

The first of these is that he Must Honour and OBEY the Law which for those Whom he
substitutes are dishonouring and disobeying, as Highly as though it had never been
broken- WHY so that Justice would not be injured

Genesis 18v 25 Ps 40v 7-8 Isa 42v 21 John 8v 46

TWO : the second requirement is that Giving perfect obedience to the Law he must as a
substitute suffer THE FULL PENALTY as though he he had been the supreme criminal
against it. PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER 1. So that Mercy would not be injured by it. The
mercy of God !!!!

Heb 7v 26 Isa 53v3 2Cor 5v 21

He was made to be SIN for US.

Three :

He must do his work as a substitute Voluntary and without the slightest pressure from
within so that himself would not be injured.

He must have no reservations or regrets.

(Heb 12v2 John 10v18.

FOUR :He must have the absolute and inherent right to lay his life down-so that no one
else would be injured.

At this point Man could have achieved the 3 previous points but this point Man Fails. Why ? Simply Man has not the right to take his own life. All Life come from the Creator for it is he that sustains all life.

When Jesus Died , obedient to death (Phil 2v8) he voluntarily dismissed his spirit(Luke 23v46). No man Took his life He laid it down and as creator Took it up again. Man cannot do that. He cannot raise himself Again It is appointed for man to die once then Judgement.,

Think about This No Man or ANGEL Could Qualify on this point alone.

Only someone who had both Divine and Man nature could do this.

ONLY GOD COULD DO THIS

ONLY JESUS COULD DO THIS !!. ILLUS JW 'S

FIFTH : As a substitute he must be able FULLY to represent and answer both God and Man in his work as a substitute so that neither party would be injured.

As God he is able to render to God what is wholly acceptable service fitting unto God. and to man Keeping the Law to the LAST JOT and TITTLE.

In receiving the penalty for SIN no one ought to answer for man's sin but man alone. He was Born of a VIRGIN. The Incarnation .The Virgin Birth.

SIXTH :

His work as a substitute must be such of intrinsic Moral worth as to forever satisfy to the utmost demands of perfect righteousness and Holiness so that the principles of EQUITY. will not be injured,

So in other words Jesus work as a substitute was of such intrinsic Moral worth as to present to God a Value sufficient to cover the Moral needs Not only of His Holy Law in Bringing it up from DISHONOUR ,But also the Whole sinful World.

Only Jesus Could Do This !!.

We Do serve a Holy and Just God. Who should be worshipped in Awe of His Majesty and Divine Truth.

His sacrifice is all sufficient – IT is a SUPERIOR SACRIFICE.....

For it (a) Provides true sanctification HEB 10v 10

(B) Its sufficiency is seen in that He Only had to Offer it ONCE !!!!!.

Compared to Daily sacrifices Heb 10v11

(C) It was one sacrifice for sins FOREVER....Hebrews 10v12-13

Thus by one offering he has provided true sanctification
Hebrews 10v 14

He did what the blood of Goats and Bulls couldn't do
Heb 2 v11 speaks of those who are being sanctified.
It is in the present Tense meaning that it is an on going process

(1) In one sense we have being sanctified
1 cor 2v 1-2 1 Cor 6 v 11 Heb 10v 10 and v 29

(2) In another sense we will be sanctified
1 Thess 5v 23.

This was made possible by the one sacrifice of Jesus
1 John 1v 7-9.

With the remission of sins there is no need for repeated sacrifices
Heb 10v 18

Jesus provided what the Law could not Do.

We Have a new covenant that is SUPERIOR.

For it is based upon better Promises Heb 8v 7-13

It is based upon a better Sanctuary Heb 9v 1-28

It is based upon a better sacrifice Heb 10v 1-18.

Praise be to Jesus.