

JESUS IS **BETTER**

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Introduction:

Hebrews 9:1-2

Hebrews 9:3-5

Hebrews 9:6-8

Hebrews 9:9-10

Leviticus 1:3-4

Leviticus 17:11

Leviticus to Hebrews...Three Realities

1. God accepts a _____ of substitution

“...it will be accepted on his behalf...”

2. God affirms the _____ of sin

“...to make atonement for him.” (resulting in
AT-ONE-MENT)

3. God alludes to the _____ of a Savior

Hebrews 9:11-12

Hebrews 9:13-14

Hebrews 9:15

SMALL GROUP Q'S

Think:

1. In the days of the Tabernacle and Temple, worshipers had to approach God according to a very particular set of rules and rituals. Why do you think God gave the Israelites so many physical things to “do” in order to deal with the sin that disrupted His relationship with them?
2. In the past couple of messages, it was emphasized that those who champion the grace of God are truly the ones who actually respect the radical demands of God’s Law, because they understand the abject inability of humanity to impress God by our own efforts. Share your own thoughts about what it actually means to live under grace rather than law...

Feel:

3. Review the three major points discussed in the weekend message:
 - God accepts a system of substitution to pay for sin
 - God affirms the seriousness of sin through both Old and New Covenants
 - God alludes to the sacrifice of a Savior when giving the Law

Which of these realities is the most challenging for you to wrap your mind around and why?

If you could ask God one question about why He set things up the way He did with regard to dealing with sin, what would you ask Him?

Do:

4. When you think about the process of living as a disciple of Jesus, what does it mean to trust the Father the way Jesus did? Are you typically more focused upon “pleasing” God or “trusting” God?

Can you see how the first (pleasing God) often leads to legalism and self-righteousness, while the second (trusting God) leads to true surrender and obedience from the heart? Explain...

5. If you feel stuck in a particular area of your life (a wrong behavior, pattern of thinking, habit of choosing, etc.), would you be willing to begin to radically trust God with the issue...believing that as you fix your eyes on Him instead of your sin, the more freedom you will experience from it?