

# GREATER than SACRIFICE

## Hebrews 9

“...it is the lifeblood that makes atonement.” -Leviticus 17:11

### A. Animal Sacrifice

9:6-10

We may think blood sacrifice is extreme because we underestimate the weight of sin and the holiness of God.

On *Yom Kippur*, the high priest had to sacrifice for his own sin.

He carried incense before him so that he looked through the smoke, never directly at the “presence of God.” In the Holy of Holies, he sprinkled blood on the seat of atonement.

### B. Jesus' Sacrifice

9:11-28

1. Superior Sanctuary. (v.24)

2. Superior Sacrifice.

3. Superior Sanctification.

Spiritual cleansing. Sacrifice was an external ritual of obedience to God. But it did not change a person's heart or sin nature.

4. Salvation. (v.22)

Everyone will stand before God (v.27):

a. Death. (Hebrews 4:13)

b. Christ's return.