

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS

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PART 13: THE TABERNACLE AND THE TEMPLE

In the ninth chapter of the epistle to the Hebrews, Paul was determined to make sure that every Jewish person knew that temple sacrifices had been cancelled with the final sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

THE TABERNACLE

When God entered into covenant with the children of Israel, He directed them to make a tabernacle (tent) that would be used during their wandering in the wilderness. Since they were going to be on the move, the tabernacle had to be constructed in such a way that it could be taken down, moved and then erected again. **Exodus 25:1-10; 26:1-6**

God promised to meet His people in the tabernacle as the priests made their sacrifices in the outer court. **Exodus 25:22**

The tabernacle had an outer court, a sanctuary and the holy of holies. Once they entered into the Promised Land, the tabernacle was moved with the army of the Israelites as they tried to clear the land of the Canaanites. Later Joshua selected Shiloh to become the permanent place for the tabernacle. **Joshua 9:27; 18:1**

During the judgeship of Eli (around 1050 B.C.), the children of Israel attacked the Philistines and lost, Shiloh was taken and the tabernacle was destroyed. **1 Samuel 4:10-17**

THE TEMPLES

The temple of Solomon was finished around 940 B.C., 110 years after the tabernacle had been destroyed. The temple lasted 354 years until it was destroyed in 586 B.C.

A second temple was built in 516 B.C. which lasted for 586 years until it was destroyed in 70 A.D.

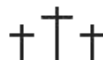
TEMPLE SERVICES

The apostle Paul gave a brief teaching of how temple services were carried out, first in the tabernacle and later in the two temples. **Hebrews 9:1-10**

Jesus has become a high priest of a better temple which is located in heaven. **verses 10-11**

When Jesus entered the temple in heaven, He did not carry the blood of animals; instead, He carried His own sacrificial blood and was able to obtain eternal salvation for mankind. **verses 12-14**

Jesus is now the mediator of a new testament. **verses 15-17**



The first testament was dedicated by blood and so was the second testament. **verses 18-21**

There is no remission of sin without the shedding of blood. **verse 22**

Jesus entered into heaven to purify all things which had become defiled by the rebellion of Lucifer, his angels and mankind. **verse 23**

Jesus is not doing this on a yearly basis like the Levitical priesthood had to do; He entered in heaven once to present Himself before God. **verse 24-26**

THE JUDGMENT

Every human being must at some point die and face judgment from God. **verse 27**

All unbelievers are held in hell after death where they are in torment awaiting judgment. **Luke 16:19-31**

All unsaved people at the end will be resurrected with a shameful body. **Daniel 12:1-2**

All unsaved people will be taken to the Great White Throne, where they will be judged and be taken to their final punishment in the Lake of Fire where they will pay eternally for their sins and rejection of Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. **Revelation 20:10-15**

CHRIST WAS OFFERED ONCE AND FOR ALL

Let's not forget that Jesus was sacrificed once and for all and He will never return to earth to be sacrificed again. **Hebrews 9:28**

When He comes back a second time, it will be as the King of kings and Lord of lords. **Revelation 19:11-21**

Are you saved and ready to meet Jesus?

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?

