

## A CLEANSED CONSCIENCE ~ Hebrews 9:1-14

→ Scripture Reading - Heb. 9:9-14 NLT

### INTRODUCTION

→ Picture - Easy Bake Oven

### THE TABERNACLE AND THE FURNISHINGS ~ Hebrews 9:1-5

[1] Now the first covenant had regulations for worship and also an earthly sanctuary.

→ Pictures of Tabernacle (wide view - then close up cut away)

[2] A tabernacle was set up. In its first room were the lampstand, the table and the consecrated bread; this was called the Holy Place. [3] Behind the second curtain was a room called the Most Holy Place, [4] which had the golden altar of incense and the gold-covered ark of the covenant. This ark contained the gold jar of manna, Aaron's staff that had budded, and the stone tablets of the covenant. [5] Above the ark were the cherubim of the Glory, overshadowing the atonement cover. But we cannot discuss these things in detail now.

### THE OLD COVENANT REGULATIONS ~ Hebrews 9:8-10

[6] When everything had been arranged like this, the priests entered regularly into the outer room to carry on their ministry. [7] But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and NEVER without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance. [8] The Holy Spirit was showing by this that the way into the Most Holy Place had not yet been disclosed as long as the first tabernacle was still standing. [9] This is an illustration for the present time, indicating that the gifts and sacrifices being offered were not able to clear the conscience of the worshiper. [10] They are only a matter of food and drink and various ceremonial washings--external regulations applying until the time of the new order.

#### THE SANCTUARY OF THE OLD COVENANT WAS INFERIOR BECAUSE IT WAS... Constable

- an **EARTHLY** sanctuary v. 1
- only a **SHADOW** of something Greater v. 2-5 (type)
- **INACCESSIBLE** to ordinary people v. 6-7
- **TEMPORARY** v. 8
- focused on the **EXTERNAL NOT** the **INTERNAL** v. 9-10

### CHRIST CAME AS HIGH PRIEST ~ Hebrews 9:11-14

[11] When Christ came as high priest of the good things that are already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not man-made, that is to say, not a part of this creation. [12] He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption.

**1 Peter 1:18-19 (NIV)** For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were REDEEMED from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, [19] but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

[13] The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. [14] How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, SO THAT we may serve the living God!

#### BY THE BLOOD OF JESUS WE... Life App St Bib

- have our consciences CLEANSED - Heb. 9:14
- are freed from Sting of DEATH - 1 Cor. 15:55-57
- are freed from the POWER of SIN - Rom. 6:6-7

## APPLICATION

**Numbers 15:30-31** (NIV) 'But anyone who sins DEFIANTLY, whether native-born or alien, blasphemes the Lord, and that person must be cut off from his people. [31] Because he has despised the Lord's word and broken his commands, that person must surely be cut off; his guilt remains on him.

**Psalms 51:1-4** (NIV) Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. [2] Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. [3] For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. [4] Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge.

**Psalms 51:10-12** (NIV) Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. [11] Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. [12] Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

**Psalms 51:16-17** (NIV) You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. [17] The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

**1 John 1:7-9** (NIV) But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. [8] If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. [9] If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

## TAKE AWAY ??

**Titus 2:11-14** (NIV) For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. [12] It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, [13] while we wait for the blessed hope--the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, [14] who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.