

# *Mt. Lebanon Church/ Big Isaac Community Church*

Sunday School Lesson

5.31.2026

Please look up and read all verses in their entirety. I have only written partial verses.

Make your own notes, write down other scriptures that you run across while studying, write down questions that you may have or comments as well. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what he would have you to see through the study of God's word.

Christ Sacrifice Once for All

## Hebrews 10: 1 - 10

Christ sacrifice was not temporary but eternal, therefore it does not need to be repeated. Likewise, our salvation is not temporary, our eternal life cannot be lost, revoked, or undone. Once God grants salvation it lasts. We are sealed with the Holy Spirit, securely now in the hands of God. So, Christ offering of atonement was flawless and infinite, completely paying humanities debt of sin, and permanently making those who accept his saving grace holy before God. So, there is nothing that we can add to what Christ has already done, for we are called to rest in his finished work, which makes our salvation whole and complete. Because Christ was sinless, he did not have to offer up sacrifices for his own guilt, for he owed no debt for sin of his own, and for this reason he could offer up himself a perfect sacrifice, paying for the sins of all mankind. Likewise, as believers, even though we are far from perfection, we now owe no debt of sin, for Christ has already assumed that debt, all that we must do, is by faith, believe.

**1 Peter 3: 18,....**for Christ also hath once offered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the spirit....

Righteous for unrighteousness, Christ took the punishment that we deserved, so that we can be permanently reconciled unto God. The ultimate goal of Christ suffering demonstrates the depths of Gods love. It removed the spiritual barrier, which was caused by sin, restoring mankind's broken relationship with the Father. This in turn assures us as believers that our present suffering is not meaningless, therefore, our trials will ultimately lead to Gods glory. Christ, who was the perfect sacrifice, suffered once for sin, offering himself once and for all, accomplishing what the sacrifices under the law could not do, so that as believers we need not live in worldly fear or guilt, nor do we need to attempt to earn Gods favor through repeated rituals, for the cross was enough.

**Hebrews 10: 1 – 4,....**for the law having a shadow of good things to come....can never with those sacrifices....make....thereunto perfect....for then would they not have ceased to be offered....worshippers once purged should have....no more conscience of sins....but in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again....of sins....for it is not possible that the blood of bulls....of goats should take away sin....

So, the law, even though it was given as Gods will, it was powerless to save anyone. Therefore, if the sacrifices under the law could bring deliverance, there would be no reason to continue to make them. Under the law, when restitution by sacrifice was made for one's sin, it still did not provide a right standing with God. Only Christ death and resurrection could ever provide restation through faith. Therefore, Christ was the payment for sin that had been passed over or postponed, for it had already been truly dealt with.

The law, which lacked detail, life, and substance, pointed toward the ultimate reality in Christ Jesus. Now, the law was not useless, it was just that its true purpose was not that of eternal salvation. The sacrifices under the law could not fully cleanse mankind so that we might one day stand before God. The New Covenant however did offer transformation for mankind, allowing us to be complete and mature in the eyes of God. So, through Christ death and resurrection, as believers, we have received absolute forgiveness and permanent spiritual peace.

**Romans 5: 1,....**therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Often time as believers, we are unaware of the abundant blessings that became ours when we were saved, for it takes time to become aware of the fulness of the gifts of God's grace that has been given unto us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Now, sin separates us from God, and his wrath is on everything that is sinful. But even though this knowledge might seem devastating, there is a glorious truth, and that truth is that the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. We are justified by faith, we are made righteous by faith, we are at peace with God through faith, and we have been placed in an eternal relationship with God by our faith in his Son Christ Jesus. Every person who has accepted Gods free gift of salvation now has peace with him. However, our peace in God is a state that changes from time to time throughout our life as a believer, for it is dependent upon our spiritual walk and placing out our trust in him. It is then that we will experience the peace of God which passeth all understanding, which shall keep our hearts and our minds through Christ Jesus.

**Hebrews 10: 5 – 7,....**wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body thou hast prepared me....then said I, I come....to do thy will, O God....

God provided a way for all of humanity to be permanently forgiven and made holy through our obedience to his word. Christ took on a human form to live a sinless, perfect life, for it was Gods true desire that one could offer a single, permanent sacrifice to redeem all of mankind. Christ came to the earth, not only to die, but to submit his will to the Fathers will through all things. Christ willingly offered himself on the cross, which means that by his sacrifice, as believers, we are permanently set apart, made holy, and received unto him, no longer needing to rely on manmade sacrifices for forgiveness.

**Hebrews 10: 8 – 10,....**sacrifice and offering....for sin thou wouldest not....which are offered by law....then said he, lo, I come to do thy will, O God, he taketh away the first, that he may establish the second....by the which....we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all....

Christ willingly laid down his own life as a perfect offering. His obedience demonstrated the need for one's own desire to accomplish Gods redemptive plan. The first represents the law of the Old Covenant, which God set aside because it was temporary, for it was only meant to point the way to his real solution for sin. The second represents the New Covenant, which is sealed by the blood of Christ, and through his death and resurrection, God established a way for us to come boldly into his presence. So, the burden of sacrifice of trying to atone for our sins is gone, replaced by an everlasting relationship with God, because of his grace.

Now, sanctification is not based upon human effort, it is an accomplishment of Gods will, for his purpose was to reconcile mankind to himself through the willing obedience of his Son Christ. So, as a believer, in Gods eyes, we hold a position of holiness that is permanently established. Therefore, we are to rest in the finished work of Christ, with the absolute assurance that we are complete in him. Gods plan was always to use the Old Testament sacrifices as a temporary measure, pointing toward a New Covenant in Christ, which by faith would be secured in each one's heart and mind. Gods saving grace, the salvation of our soul, comes only by the shed blood of Jesus Christ.

Let us Pray

If anyone has any questions, comments or would just like to discuss any of the scriptures, feel free to call, text or email me. Keep praying for each other and all the God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.

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