

Hebrews 9:11 "the good things that are already here" (NIV) "the good things to come" (NKJV) point to Faith in God to send a Redeemer, a Saviour, a Messiah. Or in deed having sent the Redeemer/Messiah/Saviour. Prior to the Cross it was the "hope" (the evidence of things not (yet) seen) of good to come. After the Cross it is the good that has come.

Hebrews 9:12 Again, the author of Hebrews is speaking to believers of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The believers in the God of Moses and the Giver of the Law. And how this God put an end to the old system of sacrifice by replacing the flawed high Priest's with endless sacrifices that led only to atonement of past sins, and installed a Perfect High Priest who is eternal. This High Priest's sacrifice was of His own blood and once and for all. Not to Abolish what God considered perfection but to fulfill God's requirement of perfection.

Matthew 5:17-18 New International Version

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The Fulfillment of the Law

(Moses) (all the other Books)

17 "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. 18 For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished.

After all that's what Israel asked for, and what we used to ask for; to have God tell us what we can do in order to achieve, to earn, His respect. And so God told them what they needed to do to achieve perfection (the Law) and when they repeatedly failed miserably He showed them through the Man Jesus Christ. Who being fully Man was able to sin in all things, being tempted in all things, yet chose not to because it would disappoint His Father. Jesus was also fully God but He only used His Divinity to help others, NEVER Himself.

Hebrews 9:13+14 Doing their best in the Old system of the Law, and obeying the rituals thereof (including sacrifices) got them to feel outwardly clean and earned them a seat in Paradise but it never could sanctify them. (14) But now we are considered truly clean and definitely sanctified because of the perfect sacrifice of sinless blood offered up to God on our behalf. The last verse tells us to now serve God, without distraction, knowing that we have been redeemed.

Hebrews 9:15-22 (sub-title: Without the shedding of blood it is impossible to please God/satisfy God): Jesus was the facilitator of (22) the New Covenant. This New Covenant is indeed a Living Will in which the Father has left everything to the Son and now the Son has willed all things to His people. But just like any other living will it does not hold any value until the One who made it dies. Also, between the time when God had to shed the blood of two animals to cover Adam and Eve until the shed blood of Jesus Christ on the Cross covenants were sealed with blood.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 New International Version

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Hebrews 9:23-27(only) "Heavenly things to be purified" I believe points to restoration of all things back to when God could still walk on this perfect sin free planet and be in the presence of His creation. The sanctuary (Holy of Holies in the tabernacle and later in the temple) was only a picture of the sanctuary in Heaven. As such an earthly sacrifice could never be used in a heavenly sanctuary. I am also convinced that the whole sanctuary concept did not come about until man had fallen. I believe that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit then created the heavenly sanctuary to save lost mankind when the time had come. I also believe the heavenly sanctuary is eternal as a remembrance to all of how much God loves us, so much so that while we were yet sinners God sent His Son to die for us. (Romans 5:8) And that God so loved the World that He sent His One and only Son to die for us, so that whoever shall believe shall be saved. (John 3:16) Hebrews 9:28 Jesus is alive! Jesus has paid-it-in-full! Jesus is coming back for us so that we will forever be with Him, our Father, and our Holy Spirit. Notice: for those who are "waiting for Him". People only wait for people that they know are coming!

Hebrews 10:1-4 A shadow is only a shaded outline of an object. An image of something solid. It only vaguely resembles that solid object and it can never be picked up or handled. (23)

A shadow can not bring any satisfaction and neither could the endless sacrifices. And how could they? Some innocent animal had to die for what I did. It was the furthest thing from worship! Year after year it was people coming to God and saying, "Here are all the animals that had to die because I did what was right in my own eyes, not Yours." - verse 3 tells us that there was no hope of ever being freed from the "guilt of their sins". The problem is the definition of a sinner. We are not sinners because we sin. We sin because we are sinners. We have a High Priest who paid not only for our past, present, and future sins but more importantly for our whole sin nature. We are no longer sinners even though we still occasionally sin! "There is therefore now no condemnation for those that are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1 - The Holy Spirit chapter). Hebrews 10:5-7: A Messianic Psalm of David; God the Son conversing with God the Father about His redemption sacrificial mission) see print out for verses 1-10.

Hebrews 10:7 (alone): Obedience is better than sacrifices; Jesus/Law
1 Samuel 15:22 So Samuel said, "Has the LORD as great a delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold to obey ^{is better} than sacrifice."
Psalms 51:16+17 For You do not desire sacrifices, or else I would give it, You do not delight in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart.
Jeremiah 7:22-23 "For I did not speak to your fathers, or command them in the day that I brought them out of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices, But this is what I commanded them saying, 'obey My voice and I will be your God, and you shall be My people.'
Hosea 6:6 "For I desire mercy and not sacrifice, and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings."

Amos 5:21-24 "I hate, I despise your feast days, and I do not savor your sacred assemblies. Though you offer Me burnt offerings and your grain offerings, I will not accept them, nor will I regard your fattened peace offerings. Take them away from Me the noise of your songs, for I will not hear the melody of your stringed instruments."
Michah 6:6-8 With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before the High God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings? With calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, ten thousand rivers of oil? ... The LORD requires of you but to do justly, to have mercy and to walk humbly with your God.