

Unshakable Faith

Part 3-Unshakable Obedience

Hebrews 10:1-18

A Major Issue: IMPERFECTION

The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins. But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins. It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. Hebrews 10::1-4 NIV

1. Imperfect CLEANSING.

*“I hate, I despise your religious festivals;
your assemblies are a stench to Me.
Even though you bring Me burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them.
Though you bring choice fellowship offerings,
I will have no regard for them.
Away with the noise of your songs!
I will not listen to the music of your harps.
But let justice roll on like a river,
righteousness like a never-failing stream! Amos 5:21-24 NIV*

2. Imperfect CONSCIENCE.

...it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. Hebrews 10:2 NIV

The Solution: When God INTERCEDES.

● The Divine CONVERSATION.

Therefore, when Christ came into the world, He said:

*“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for Me;
with burnt offerings and sin offerings
you were not pleased.
Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—
I have come to do your will, my God.’” Hebrews 10:5-7 NIV*

- **The Divine DECISION**

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Two Results of Perfection...

Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God, and since that time He waits for His enemies to be made His footstool. For by one sacrifice He has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. Hebrews 10:11-14 NIV

1. EMPOWERMENT.

The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First He says:

*“This is the covenant I will make with them
after that time, says the Lord.
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds.” Hebrews 10:15-16 NIV*

*“This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel
after that time,” declares the LORD.
“I will put my law in their minds
and write it on their hearts.
I will be their God,
and they will be my people. Jeremiah 31:33 NIV*

2. FORGIVENESS.

Then He adds:

*“Their sins and lawless acts
I will remember no more.”*

And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary. Hebrews 10:17-18 NIV

Will you let the power of Christ live through you?