

HEBREWS 9 March 19, 2017 We will discuss the questions that are bold and underlined.

**1. Read Hebrews 9:1-5. What words in these verses describe the earthly tabernacle? What two titles are given to the different chambers in this description of the tabernacle?**

**2. Read Hebrews 9:6-10. What words are used to describe the priests' duties? What were the limitations of the sacrifices the priests offered, in what ways did they fall short?**

3. From your knowledge of the Old Testament, what set God's people apart from all other people in their day? What was their hope?

**4. Read Hebrews 9:11-15. The author describes Christ's Priesthood as "a high priest of the good things that have come" and "thus securing an eternal redemption." What does it mean to you that you are set free to receive this eternal inheritance? How would you describe to an unbeliever today a conscience that is cleansed?**

5. Is it our personal experience that serving God is the outcome of our salvation? Do worship and service go hand in hand?

**6. Read Hebrews 9:16-24. In these verses, the illustration is made that a will is only in effect when there has been a death. Considering Christ's sacrifice, pause and consider what the phrase "on our behalf" means to you.**

7. In verses 23-24 How does the sacrifice of Christ differ from those of the Old Testament priests? In what sense was Jesus "qualified to appear for us in God's presence?"

**8. Read Hebrews 9:25-28. Read this passage out loud. Which phrases in this passage are meaningful to you and why?**

9. What difference would it make to those steeped in Old Testament religion to know that Jesus once and for all offered his own blood, rather than offering animal blood (vs 25-26)?

**10. Why is the teaching of this passage so important for Christians today to understand?**

**11. How would you encourage someone to face eternity with hope and peace, based on what you learned in this chapter?**