

Dig Deeper @Home – “Under a New Covenant”

Complement to lesson on 9/21/2025 – “A Better Cleansing”

ICE BREAKER – Questions to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

1. Name a restaurant you love to eat at over and over? What do you like to eat there?
2. Who do you know that can learn to do something (like make pizza or build a bird house), then do it better than the way they learned it?

MEMORIZE – Hebrews 9:13-14

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. **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!

READ – Hebrews 9:1-28

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. Re-scan the text and consider...
 - a. What did the Holy Spirit draw your attention to as you read?
 - b. How is the old way of sacrifice the same and different than the new way of Jesus' sacrifice?
 - c. What are the verses revealing about God? What are the verses saying about people?
 - d. In light of these, what needs to change in your life? What are you already doing well?
2. According to Hebrews 9, what were some of the main features and limitations of the old covenant's sacrificial system?
3. In verses 11-14, what does the writer say is different about Jesus' sacrifice compared to the sacrifices of goats and bulls?

4. The same word in Greek can be translated as “worship” and “service.” How are these related and how are they both empowered by Jesus’ sacrifice?

5. The preacher said Jesus’ sacrifice is “decisive and complete.” What does it look like to live as if you really believe your forgiveness is total and eternal?

SING (or listen to)

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus - https://youtu.be/vKF0Dn2_XZk

Better - <https://youtu.be/cgpvCVkrV6M>

Who You Say I Am - <https://youtu.be/k-rjczm7uCo>

All my Boast is in Jesus <https://youtu.be/lHFavEvdYBI>

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us, for this week.

Sending prayer based on the message:

Father, Jesus, Holy Spirit, thank you for your extravagant love and unfathomable forgiveness. So great is your love and forgiveness, that it seems foolish to us. Help me to receive this love and forgiveness and to love and forgive ALL others to the point where it too looks foolish.