

**Christ Is the Minister and Mediator
of the Perfect Sacrifice for Sins (Part II)
Hebrews 10:01–18**

**1 *The powerlessness
of the old sacrifices***

a. The old covenant, the law,
was only a shadow;
it was not the real,
perfect thing

b. The sacrifices for sin
were repetitious;
they did not remove
feelings of guilt

c. The sacrifices for sin
were actually a reminder;
they never erased sin

d. The sacrifices for sin
were powerless;
they never removed sin

**2 *The perfect sacrifice:
Jesus Christ Himself***

a. The perfect sacrifice is
God preparing a body

b. The perfect sacrifice is
Christ doing the will of God

c. The perfect sacrifice required
that God take away
the old sacrificial system
and establish the new

1 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.

2 If it could,
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.

3 But those sacrifices are
an annual reminder of sins,

4 Because it is impossible
for the blood of bulls and goats
to take away sins.

5 Therefore, when Christ came into the world,
he said: “Sacrifice and offering
you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for me;

6 With burnt offerings and sin offerings
you were not pleased.

7 Then I said, ‘Here I am —
it is written about me in the scroll —
I have come to do your will, O God.’”

8 First he said,
“Sacrifices and offerings,
burnt offerings and sin offerings
you did not desire,
nor were you pleased with them”
(although the law required them to be made).

d. The perfect sacrifice
is the sanctification of men
through the sacrifice
of Christ's body

**3 *The contrast between
the old and new sacrifices***

- a. The old stands;
the new sits — eternally
- b. The old offers many sacrifices;
the new made one sacrifice —
forever
- c. The old never takes away sin;
the new triumphs over
all enemies — hereafter
- d. The old fails to perfect man;
the new perfects man —
eternally

**4 *The witness
to the perfect sacrifice:
The Holy Spirit***

- a. He puts power within
— spiritually
- b. He imparts the knowledge
of God's will
- c. He forgives eternally
— once-for-all
- d. He eliminates
the need for more sacrifice

9 Then he said, "Here I am.
I have come to do your will."
He sets aside the first to establish the second.

10 And by that will,
we have been made holy
through the sacrifice of the body
of Jesus Christ once for all.

11 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.

12 But when this priest had offered for all time
one sacrifice for sins,
he sat down at the right hand of God.

13 Since that time he waits for his enemies
to be made his footstool,

14 Because by one sacrifice
he has made perfect forever
those who are being made holy.

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

16 "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."

17 Then he adds:
"Their sins and lawless acts
I will remember no more."

18 And where these have been forgiven,
there is no longer any sacrifice for sin.