Introduction

Glacier Point in Yosemite National Park
(Include the three pictures I sent you)

In Chapter 10 we come to the high point in the book of Hebrews.
This is the gospel in Hebrews.

I. The Limits of the Law. Hebrews 10:1-4

“The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming.”

The law and the tabernacle were designed to teach us about God and our sin.

- God is holy.
- Man is sinful and separated from God.
- The penalty for sin is death.
- Only one who was innocent, without spot or blemish could pay the penalty for our sins.

The problem with the law was that it could not make us holy. The blood of bulls and goats could never take away our sins.

The law pointed forward to a greater reality. That reality is Christ.

We have a problem with sin and rituals cannot make us right with God or cleanse our conscience from sin.

II. The Superior Sacrifice of Christ. Hebrews 10:5-9

The problem of sin has been dealt with in the person and work of Christ.

What God desires more than sacrifice is a life lived in obedience to his will.

“Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams.” 1 Samuel 15:22

“I have more than enough of burnt offerings, of rams and the fat of fattened animals; I have no pleasure in the blood of bulls and lambs and goats...Stop bringing meaningless sacrifices!” Isaiah 1:11-13
Jesus came to do the will of his Father in heaven.

- “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work.” John 4:34
- “I came down from heaven not to do my will, but to do the will of him who sent me.” John 6:38
- Jesus was obedient even unto death. Philippians 2:5-8

God desires that kind of loving obedience from us.

III. The Finality and Sufficiency of Christ’s Sacrifice. Hebrews 10:10-18

Day after day, the Levitical priests stood and offered sacrifices for sins. The sacrifice of Jesus was once for all. And when it was done, he sat down.

What is Christ doing now? He is:

- Waiting for the day when the Father will put all things under his feet.
- Waiting for the day when everyone will acknowledge that He is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:11
- Interceding for the saints, according to the will of the Father. Romans 8:34

“By his one sacrifice, he has made perfect forever, those who are being made holy.”

That verse speaks of our justification and our sanctification.

“Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” Philippians 1:6

“Thereir sins and lawless acts, I will remember no more.”

Conclusion

Think of what Christ has done for us.

- Our debt has been paid in full.
- We are clothed with his garments of righteousness.
- We are welcomed into his family forever.