

Book of Hebrews

Jesus Obtained Eternal Redemption

Hebrews 9:11-15

Old Covenant = Outwardly Clean

Limited Forgiveness

Old Covenant Context

Hebrews 9:13

- When an Israelite made the required sacrifice according to the Mosaic Law for a prescribed sin the Scripture clearly says that atonement had been made for him and he is forgiven. *Leviticus 5:1-10*
- When the Israelite did what was required by the Mosaic Law he was restored to full participation in the nation of Israel. From this point of view an Israelite could be considered outwardly clean and yet not be truly be forgiven by the God of Israel.

New Covenant Interpretation

- The teaching passages of the New Covenant era seem to be quite clear that the sacrifices of the Old Covenant era did not pay for sins and satisfy the wrath of a holy God. *Hebrews 9:14, 10:1-4, 11*
- The picture/fulfillment model of the bible is seen in the manner of sacrifice under the Old Covenant and New Covenant.

New Covenant = Inwardly Clean

Complete Forgiveness

Redemption Accomplished

- It does seem quite clear that Jesus actually purchased salvation by his death on the cross.
- Therefore the atonement must be of a definite variety since there will be those who will not be in heaven. *Revelation 20:7-10*
- Our sins are not forgiven until we repent and believe the gospel. *Acts 2:38*
- The cross guaranteed that some would be saved though the timing of their belief was set according to God's plan. It is also true that the condemnation of those who will not believe was set when Adam sinned yet the timing of their going to eternal punishment was set according to God's plan.

Assurance and the People of God

- Jesus' death on the cross guaranteed that all who receive the gift of faith will also receive biblical assurance. *Romans 8:15-17*
- Assurance is the Holy Spirit supernaturally convincing the believer that all of his sins are forgiven.

Israel, the Example of Redemption

Part of the Whole

Jesus is said to have died to set free those of the elect who have committed sins under the old covenant. This does not say that he did not die for the sins of those of the elect who were not under the old covenant, but only emphasizes that Israel under the old covenant is the example of God's dealings with his people. *John 3:16, Revelation 5:9-10*

Inheritance, Then and Now

Understanding the Land Promise

- Inheritance for the picture of the people of God from an Old Covenant perspective was the promise land. *Genesis 17:1-8*
- Inheritance for the real people of God is eternity with our God in perfect happiness. *Galatians 3:29*