Hebrews 9:23-28 "He Put Away Sin"

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Hebrews 9-Better Sanctuary-Tabernacle, Holy of Holies, shadows, copies, "it is all about the blood"

"And according to the Law one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness." Hebrews 9:22

Prayer-Then read Scripture Hebrews 9:23-28

"Therefore, it was necessary for the copies of the things in the heavens to be cleansed with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ did not enter a holy place made with hands, a mere copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; nor was it that He would offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the holy place year by year with blood that is not His own. Otherwise, He would have needed to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now once at the consummation of the ages He has been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. And since it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment, so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him." Hebrews 9:23-28

Preparation- (Read again-Option) may be favorite "Therefore"

Verse 23- "Therefore"- "it was necessary" –comparison, conclusion- <u>Emmaus-confused by Hisdeath</u>

Copies (Tabernacle, Temple) Cleansed with blood of Calves, Goats

Heavenly Things Better Sacrifices (Christ's suffering)

"O foolish men and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken. Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and to enter into His glory?" Luke 24:25-26

Verse 24, 25 –Better Sanctuary, Heaven itself, right hand of Majesty on High, For Christ-His action, His obedience to the Father, His initiative, His faithfulness, His grace, His mercy, His sacrifice, His mediation, His Advocacy, His Priesthood

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Verse 26- Not suffer often, but once (Chapter 10) Pure Gospel

• "Otherwise, He would have need to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now once at the consummation of the ages He has been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself." Hebrews 9:26

Consummation-NASB-completion, perfected, end, parables, great commission, ages, greatest event in history, manifested, once, <u>put away sin.</u>

<u>Put away sin</u>-Cancelled, removed, Spurgeon-example, "No longer bone of my bone, flesh of my flesh", In the eyes of Gone-it is put away, "All about the Blood"-written in blood. Sin nature still. Struggling —even that sin.

- "As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us." Ps. 103:9
- "I, even I, am the One who wipes out your transgressions for My own sake, and I will not remember your sins." Isaiah 43:25
- "All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; but the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him." Is. 53:6
- "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world" John 1:29

Spurgeon-Prince of Preachers said it so well on this passage

"What Christ meant to do on the Cross, He actually did. I always take that for granted. He did not die in vain. He did not leave any part of His work undone. Whatever was His intent, by the laying down of His life, He accomplished it, for, if not, dear friends, He would come here again! If any of His work were left undone, He would return to the earth that He might finish it, for He never did leave a work incomplete, and He never will! Christ effected the redemption of His people by one stroke—coming here, living, and dying—He put away sin! He did not merely try to do it, but He actually accomplished the stupendous work for which He left His Glory-Throne above. He did not die to make men salvable-He died to save them. He did not die that their sin might be put away by some effort of their own-He died to put it away. "Once in the end of the world has He appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself." (KJV) There was one death, one sacrifice, one Atonement, and all the work of man's redemption was forever accomplished!"

Reformed view-Biblical view. He didn't die to give us an opportunity to be saved, He died for us. It is His unconditional election that we are saved. Pastor's sermon on God's thoughts two weeks ago.

• "Christmas began in the mind of this One triune God." "Christmas began with God's thought of creating man."

• "From eternity, the Lord has loved His people. Christmas is the visible demonstration of it; Calvary, the cost of it; resurrection and ascension, the triumph and effectiveness of it." Tabletalk magazine

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He not only thought of you but chose you before the foundation of the world, He had your name on His mind as He hung on the cross, He had your name in mind when He said it is finished. His better and perfect covenant of grace. I have paid your debt, I have put away your sin.

- "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you, I have called you by name, you are mine! Is.
 43:1
- "Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass." I Thess. 5:24

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- "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with
 every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places with Christ, just as He chose us in Him
 before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him.
 In love He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself,
 according to the kind intention of His will, to the praise of the glories of His grace
 which He freely bestowed upon us in the Beloved." Eph.1:3-6
- "But by His doing are you in Christ Jesus...." I Cor. 1:30

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By Faith alone in Christ Alone-Redeemed, forgiven, cannot be counted against us, (jail) all charges are dropped in court of heaven, (Christ served sentence) Reformation-spoke against= license to sin. Yet the reformers knew that this truth was set them free but also power to overcome sin. This was a truth they were willing to die for and many did. Do we want to have greater victory over sin in our Christian walk-Truth-- He has put away our sin. ("It is all about the blood." He has bled it out of existence.) (Power in the blood-Hymn.)

Passage to encourage first century Hebrews- believers today. Concern over those who claim to know Christ yet show no repentance-professor but not possessor. Jesus said there would be pretenders and look a like. Goats and sheep-Wheat and Tares. Christ knows His people, Christ knows who He died for, they know faith / repentance go together.

• "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature, the old things passed away; behold new things have come." 2 Cor. 5:17

- "Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing the kindness of God leads you to repentance? Romans 2:4
- "Well then, God has granted to the Gentiles also the repentance that leads to life."
 Acts 11:18

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Closing verse-verse 28

"And since it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment"

Sobering statement- Truth that man can't distort. We all face death. Science-freeze-not. DO NOT HAVE CURE FOR SIN! Also eliminates the belief of reincarnation and the belief that physical death is the end of personal existence.

Solemn thoughts-Heed God's warning, Receive God's provision-His Son

Privilege-CBM testimony-Surety of God's Promise-Put Away the sin

- "Truly, truly, he who hears My Word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life." John 5:24
- "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life." I John 5:13

Surety of Christ return and His salvation

"...so, Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him." Verse 28b

Under the old covenant on the Day of Atonement, people would eagerly await the High Priest coming out of the Holy of Holies, knowing that when he did they felt the sacrifices on their behalf had been accepted. Even more so, as believers should we not be waiting eagerly for the One who is returning from the Tabernacle not made with hands, Heaven itself. Knowing His sacrifice has been accepted, Christ's death has satisfied God's justice and turned away His wrath. As sure as it is appointed for men to die and face judgment, Christ will return for His people, those for whom He died and put away sin.

- "I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also"
 John 14:3
- "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done." Revelation 22:12

Closing thoughts as we eagerly await His arrival, we have passed out of the judgment seat of sinners, but we will face the Lord regarding how we built on lives on Christ-fruit and works, "His reward is with Me."

"Each man's work will become evident, for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work. If any man's work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire." I Cor. 3:13-15

Christ did not save us that we would simply be saved but singed, we have been called

- "...those called according to His good purpose." Romans 8:28
- "You did not choose Me, but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My Name He may give it to you." John 15:16 (same slide)

Are we bearing fruit in our Christian lives? Are we laying up treasures in Heaven? Do we treasure the One who has "put away" our sin?

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:19-21

As we eagerly wait for His Return-What Fruit has our faith produced, what treasures-rewards will be ours when He arrives to welcome us home. Standing before our Savior

- Dying to self, living by the Spirit (That sin)
- Personal Holiness
- How much time was spent with Him in prayer
- Represent Him-Honor and Glorify Him
- Love for others especially those of His family
- Serve Him and His church
- Giving to His cause
- Making Him known to others

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<u>New Year-</u> Leadership devotional-first love. Individual life reflects "sin has been put away." World, proclaiming Christ-Message of hope and truth. People looking for both-Gospel is both

<u>Unbeliever challenge-</u> "Today He has put away my sin"

Closing Prayer-

Benediction- He has put away your sin.

"Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless (He has put away your sin) with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen!" Jude 1:24