

SERMON GUIDE

COME TO THE TABLE

Hebrews 9:11-22 | Pastor Tim Prince

July 9, 2023

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SERMON NOTES

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OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Col. 1:19-20 (God's Character) For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

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The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Monday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

**S**cripture that stands out to you while you read

**O**bservations you are making about a passage

**A**pplications that connect the verses to your real life and relationships

**P**rayer that invites God to participate in all that you do

## Conversation Questions

**Getting to Know Me:** How does the sight of blood affect you?

**Note About the Passage:** If you'd enjoy learning more about Old Testament sacrifices and their relationship to Jesus, here's a great video from The Bible Project that you may find helpful.

Sacrifices: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/sacrifice-and-atonement/>

### Read Hebrews 9:11-22

**S:** What verses, phrases, words, or feelings stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated," surprising, or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?

**O:** One of the most frequently repeated words in our reading today was the word "blood". Blood is a symbol of life. What do you notice about all of the different uses of blood in verses 11-14 and 18-22.

**O:** We don't often think about what a gruesome scene all of this would have been: blood on the floor, blood on the altar, blood on the hands and arms of the priest, blood on his garments, blood on the people... "almost everything is purified with blood" (v.22)

How do you think this use of blood and sacrifice would have impacted the people of Israel who saw blood used in this way?

What do you think God was trying to help Israel understand?

**O:** Why do you think the sacrifice of Jesus is called so much greater than the blood of bulls and goats (v.11-14)?

**A:** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?

**A:** Are there any ways that you are trying to cover your own sin? What does it look like in your life and relationships?

**A:** What does the image of the sprinkled blood of Jesus over you/your sin do for your spirit?

**P:** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction that you need.