



Christian Faith Fellowship

- We are not a perfect church**
- We are not a perfect people**
- We are here because we know we need God's help and He has provided this help through Jesus Christ our Lord!**



CFF is called to:

Radiate the love of Christ

Reach the Lost and the Saved in order to

Restore them into fully mature followers of Christ

Accountability Questions

- **Did you spend 5 minutes a day at least 5 days last week reading the Bible?**
- **Did you share a God story with a non-believer this week?**
- **Did you spend time alone with God this week (With no personal agenda)?**
- **Do you know what the Holy Spirit is saying to you?**
- **Are you giving as God has asked?**

- I want to clarify something with you today that I have been receiving a few questions about
- I love that people are asking questions about the Bible and what it says as that means you are reading it
- When I (or anyone) refers to the Old Testament Law or Torah – the reference is NOT to the entire O.T. but that portion found in the 1st 5 books of the Bible that specifically talk about the requirements God gave for Israel.
- The rest of the O.T. has some expectations etc. but they are NOT the Law.

- So, when I say the Christian Does NOT keep the Law – nor are we required too – I am referring to the O.T. Law or Torah that is specifically found in Genesis-Deuteronomy
- We learn much from it but the Law CAN NOT SAVE ANYONE! – That’s why Jesus came
- This is also why there are so many references in the N.T. epistles about the fact that we Don’t follow the Law for we are in the New Covenant
- The Book of Hebrews is the best place for understanding of the O.T. Law and the N.T. Grace

Hebrews 10 1 The old system under the law of Moses was only a shadow, a dim preview of the good things to come, not the good things themselves. The sacrifices under that system were repeated again and again, year after year, but they were never able to provide perfect cleansing for those who came to worship. 2 If they could have provided perfect cleansing, the sacrifices would have stopped, for the worshipers would have been purified once for all time, and their feelings of guilt would have disappeared. 3 But instead, those sacrifices actually reminded them of their sins year

after year. 4 For it is not possible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. 5 That is why, when Christ came into the world, he said to God, “You did not want animal sacrifices or sin offerings. But you have given me a body to offer.

- We see here the explanation of how the Law **FAILED** to purify and cleanse the worshiper... there was only a temporary covering of the sins or brokenness of the people!
- When we read further in the chapter we find the difference in the “final sacrifice” of Jesus!

Hebrews 10 11 Under the old covenant, the priest stands and ministers before the altar day after day, offering the same sacrifices again and again, which can never take away sins. 12 But our High Priest offered himself to God as a single sacrifice for sins, good for all time. Then he sat down in the place of honor at God's right hand. 13 There he waits until his enemies are humbled and made a footstool under his feet. 14 For by that one offering he forever made perfect those who are being made holy. 15 And the Holy Spirit also testifies that this is so. For he says,

16 “This is the new covenant I will make with my people on that day, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.” 17

Then he says, “I will never again remember their sins and lawless deeds.” 18 And when sins have been forgiven, there is no need to offer any more sacrifices.

- V16 is a quote from Jeremiah 31- This was a prophetic promise from God for what He was going to do – which is done in Christ and what we experience here today!!!
- Jesus Christ was the FINAL SACRIFICE!!

Hebrews 10 19 And so, dear brothers and sisters, we can boldly enter heaven's Most Holy Place because of the blood of Jesus. 20 By his death, Jesus opened a new and life-giving way through the curtain into the Most Holy Place. 21 And since we have a great High Priest who rules over God's house, 22 let us go right into the presence of God with sincere hearts fully trusting him. For our guilty consciences have been sprinkled with Christ's blood to make us clean, and our bodies have been washed with pure water.

- There was a barrier (curtain/veil) between God and ALL humanity!

Old Testament Tabernacle



- The separation between God and His holiness and humanity and their sinfulness was torn down thru the death of Jesus Christ – the final sacrifice!

Mark 15 37 Then Jesus uttered another loud cry and breathed his last. 38 And the curtain in the sanctuary of the Temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

- We have been given an open invitation into the presence of God to deal with our sin – to bring to Him our needs... to engage in a personal relationship which was NEVER possible before the cross!
- This is why the Hebrew writer goes on and states:

Hebrews 10 23 Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise. 24 Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. 25 And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

- You can Trust God for His promises & the relationship you can have with Him thru Jesus Christ!
- (v25) We come to church to be motivated to live and share the Good News & to be encouraged!

Action Steps

- **Are you living in the N.T. Grace Covenant?**
- **Are you relying on ANYTHING other than Jesus Christ for your salvation?**
- **Have you been struggling with bringing portions of the Law into the New Covenant?**
- **Will you take full advantage of the New Covenant and boldly enter the presence of God on a regular basis?**