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The main point of these 18 vss. is that Jesus is the once and for all answer to the problem that keeps us from spiritual intimacy with God.

- Because Js' sacrifice was once & for all, no other/additional sacrifice for sin is necessary/beneficial.
 - There's no where else to turn and nothing else to do.
- It is finished (*tetelestai*). The only thing unfinished is your response to the gift of life His sacrifice makes available to you.

(9:23-28) Once And For All Is Better Than Often For A Few

:23 -wrap up of previous thought

:24 -for us

:25-28a -often vs. once

:28b -incarnation = propitiation for sin : return = salvation (final, ultimate fulfillment of promises

- those who eagerly await = trusting Him & resting in the finished work of the cross (once for all)
- (Philippians 3:20) *For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ...*

- Once and for all is better than often for a few

(10:1-6) The Real Thing Is Better Than A Picture

:1 -shadow vs/ reality

- Trip, pics of loved ones : return, prefer pics?

:2-4 -covered vs. clean (re. last week)

:5-6 -making case by referring to authority of scripture

- Jesus love me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so
- these days you can find a book to back up just about any claim (re. TTP "truth claim")
- the Hebrews based their beliefs (& lives) on One Book, God's Book - and so should we

- Psalm 40:6-10 - (:6) ear/body = LXX

- there was a sacrifice which accomplished the will of God like no animal sacrifice could
- Jesus' offering of Himself is the true & final offering for sin, because it is the sacrifice, which, according to prophecy, God desired to be made

- The real thing is better than a picture

(:7-18) Clean Is Better Than Covered

:7-9 -the first covenant, that only covered sin, was replaced by the new cov. which cleanses from sin.

:10 -will = :9, sanctified = put to intended use (hagios = holy = set apart) : pews, Bibles - intended use

:11-13 -sat down = proof that the work is done

- sin no longer covered & covered again (like painting over a stain that shows through...)
- sin taken away = from around (Heb 12 = *the sin which so easily ensnares/entangles...*)

:15 -perfected forever = made right/clean before God

:16-18 -Jeremiah 31 (again) : remission = release from bondage (cf. Is. 61 - set captives free)

- re. sin, Clean is better than covered, 'cuz clean = free: from consequences & power