

Sermon Title- **When worry becomes worship**

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Hebrews 10:1-18

The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. ² Otherwise, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins. ³ But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins. ⁴ It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

⁵ Therefore, when **Christ** came into the world, **he said:**

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for me;

⁶ with burnt offerings and sin offerings
you were not pleased.

⁷ Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—
I have come to do your will, my God.’”

⁸ First he said, “Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them”—though they were offered in accordance with the law. ⁹ Then he said, “Here I am, I have come to do your will.” He sets aside the first to establish the second.

¹⁰ And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. ¹⁴ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

¹⁵ The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says:

¹⁶ “This is the covenant I will make with them
after that time, says the Lord.

I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds.”

¹⁷ Then he adds:

“Their sins and lawless acts
I will remember no more.”

¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary.

→ **Our journey in Hebrews has shown us that Christ is sufficient and supreme over the Old Covenant through Moses. In Chapter 10, we are shown that Christ’s sacrifice, made once and for all, was far superior to that of animals (bulls & goats) which were associated with Moses and the Old Testament.**

Study Questions-

1. Also, in the verses above we see Jesus modeled worship that pleased God Our Father, not just singing songs of praise, but a life offered to do God’s will. Does that change (or deepen) your view of what worship is? If so, please share how it does?
2. One of our Core Values as a church is – **We believe worship is a lifestyle**. What is an area of your life that you hadn’t considered being a form of glorifying God that you can begin to do so?
3. What is something that you worry about or something that causes you to be anxious? This is something all of us deal with even Pastor DJ who wrote this sermon and these questions.
Have you tried in those anxious moments to begin to praise God and say something like, “Father, here I am. I choose to praise You. I offer you my life. In Jesus’ Name?” (Consider taking a moment to practice that as group).
4. **Christ is our High Priest = permanent bridge to God**. Read verse 12 again above. Now, when Jesus offered His life to God it made salvation available to the world. Similarly, when we offer our lives to God, we do point others to Jesus and His love for them (He, of course does the “saving”). How can you be better (more intentional) at pointing people to Jesus?