SERVICE WITH A CLEAN CONSCIENCE

Hebrews 9:1-14

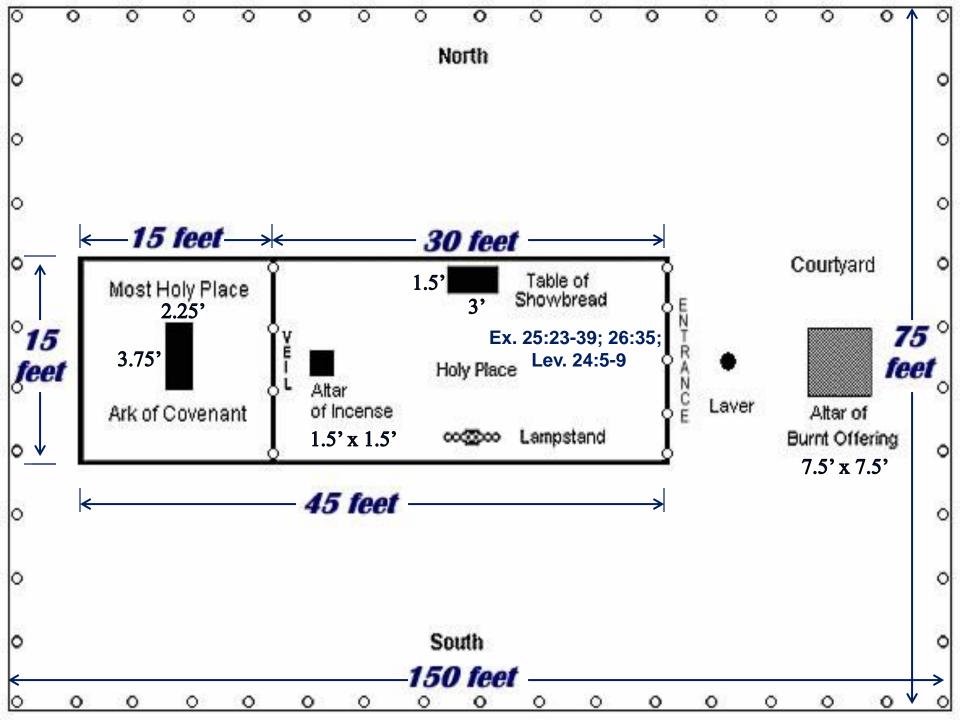
OUR OUTLINE

I. Imperfect Service in the Tent of the Mosaic Covenant (v.1-10)

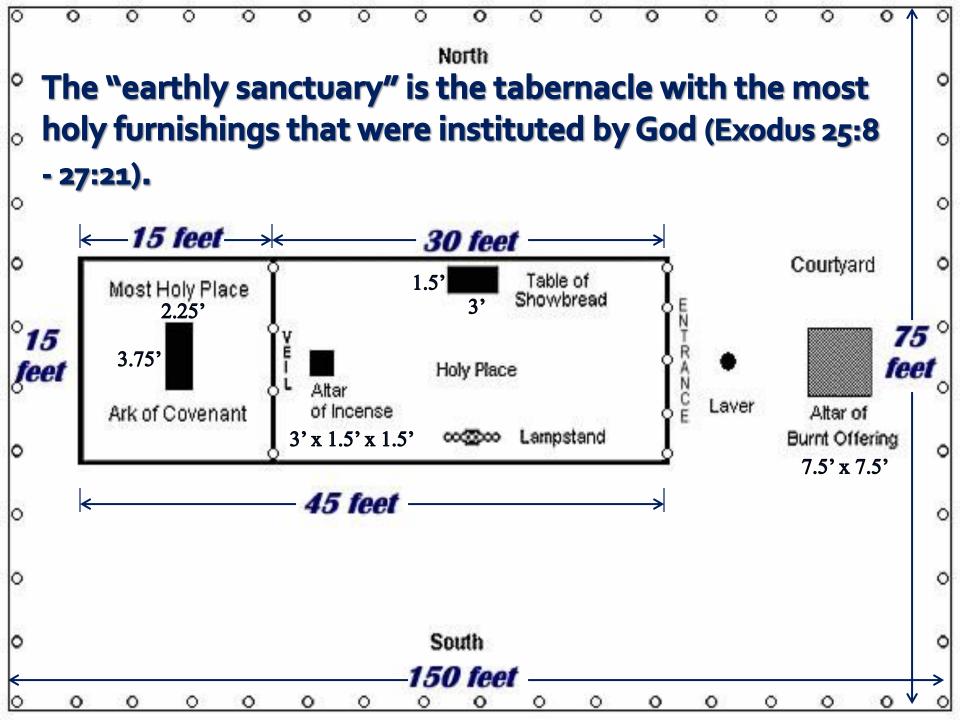
- A. Divine Ordinances for Service & the Earthly Sanctuary (v.1)
- B. Ten Furnishings & Two Compartments (vv.2-5)
- C. Daily Entry (First Compartment)/Yearly (Second) (vv.6-7)
- D. Significance of the Outer (First) Compartment (vv.8-10)
 1. The Way to the Second is Restricted/Hidden

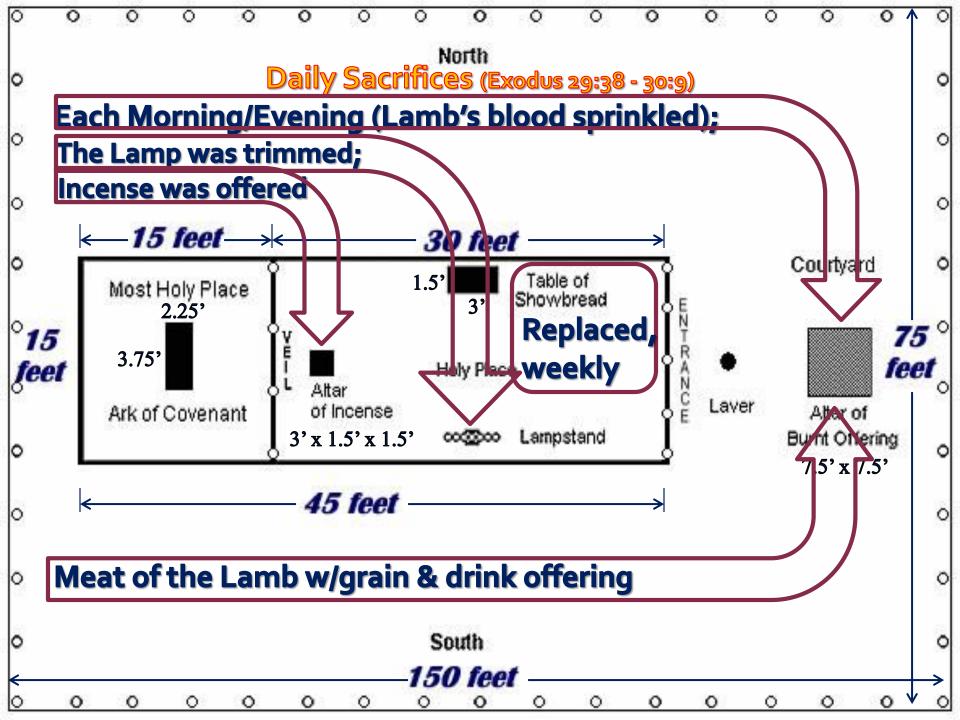
II. Christ's Entry into God's Holy Realm (vv.11-14)

- A. Christ the Perfect High Priest/Perfect Tent (vv.11-12)
- B. Sanctification/Purification (vv.13-14)

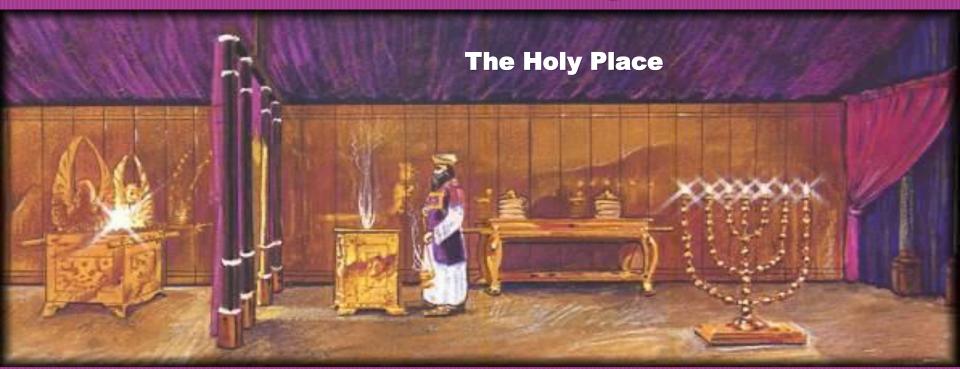


- *"Therefore, indeed, also the first had regulations of worship and an earthly sanctuary."*
- This verse serves as the heading for this section.
- Two items for us to consider:
 - An Earthly Sanctuary (2-5);
 The Regulations of Worship (6-10)





"Specifically, the tent was furnished: the first, in which was the lampstand as well as the table and the presentation of the loaves, which is called the Holy Place..."



HOLY OF HOLIES or THE MOST HOLY PLACE: where Yahweh's Presence dwelt; only the high priest could enter

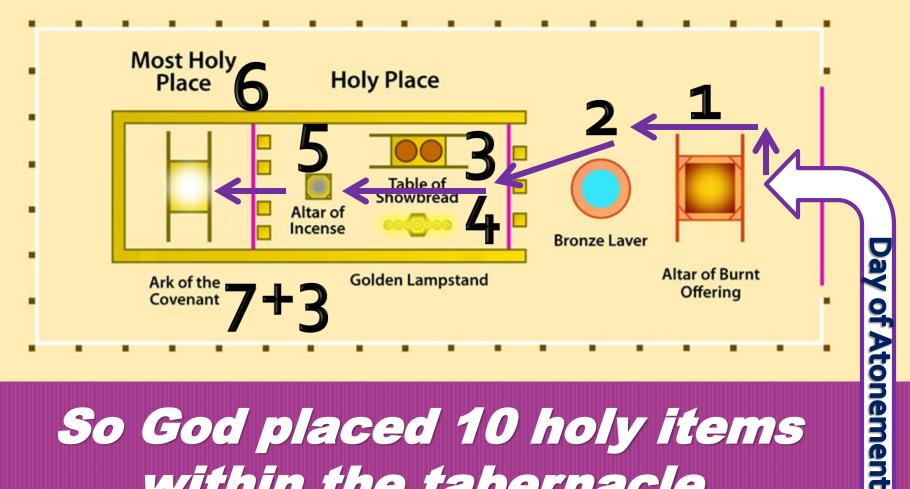
Veil separating Most Holy Place from Holy Place: this is the veil that Yahweh tore after Christ died

ARK OF THE COVENANT: the gold box symbolizing Yahweh's throne; only the high priest could look at it in an uncovered state

THE HOLY PLACE: where various sacred rituals were performed to honor Yahweh; only regular priests & the high priest could enter

Ark of the Covenant

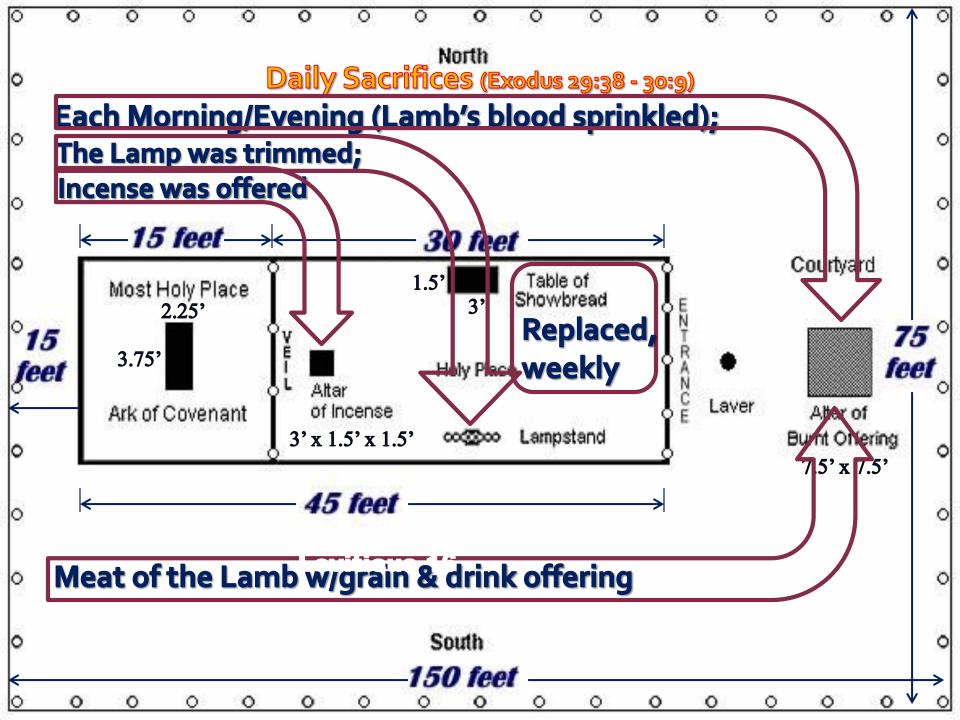


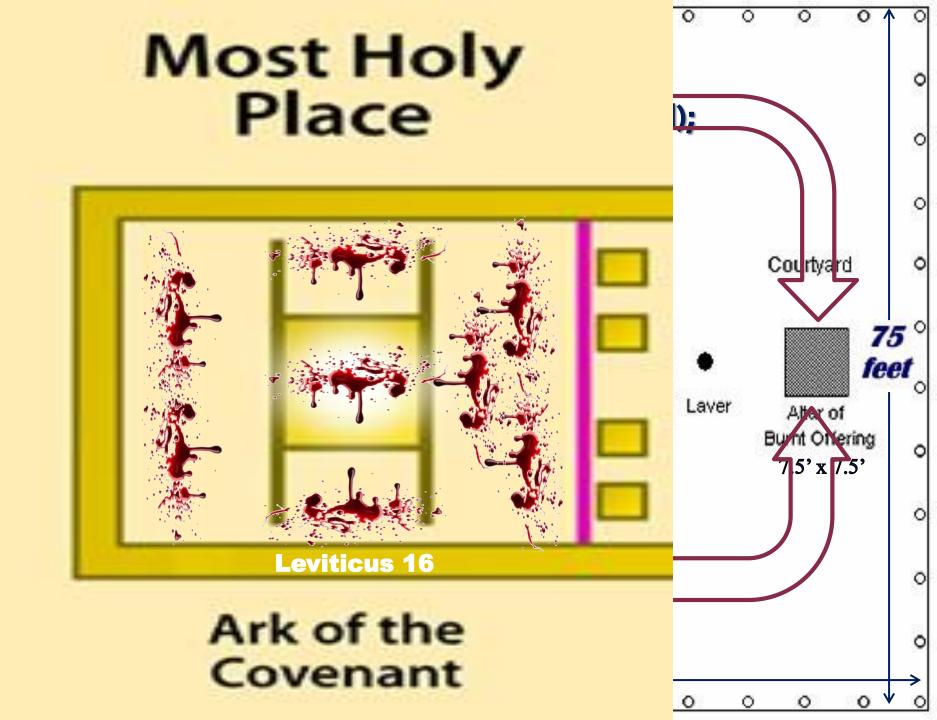


So God placed 10 holy items within the tabernacle. Thus the Liturgical Order is...

VERSES 6 & 7

"Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. ⁷But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance;"





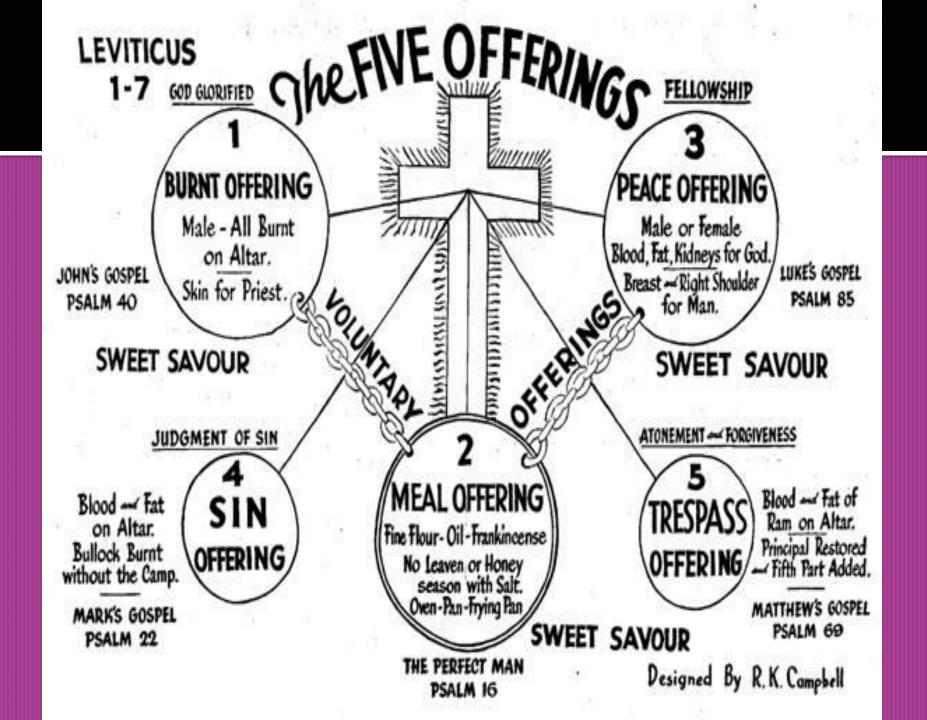
"... the Holy Spirit indicating this, that the way into the Holiest of All was not yet made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing."
The role of the Holy Spirit???

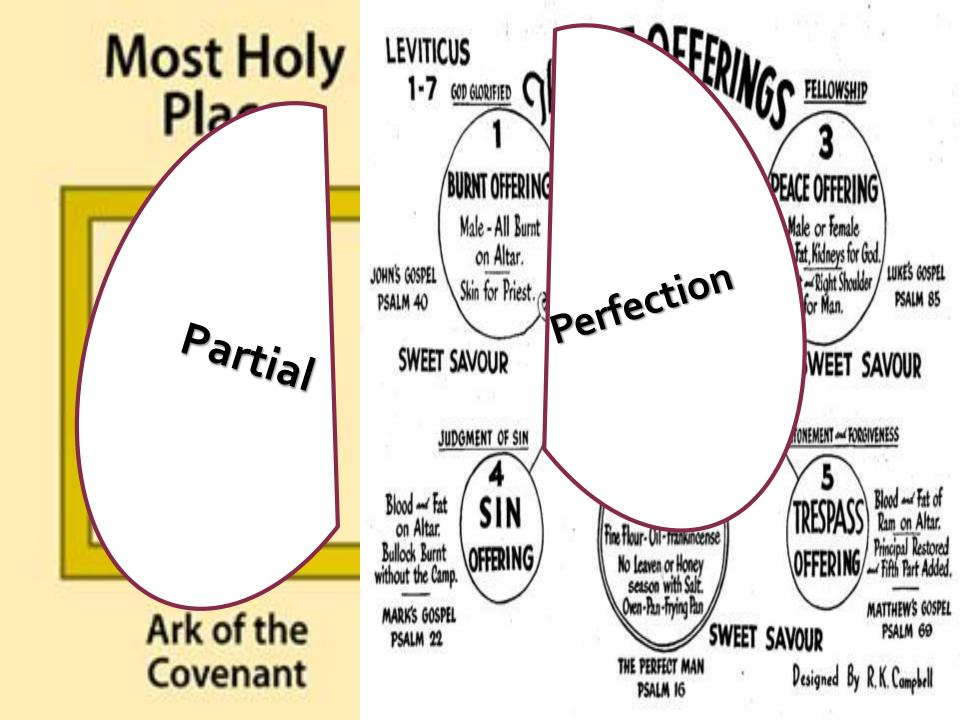
The preacher is explaining that the interpretation comes from the Holy Spirit...not his thoughts or ideas!

HOW SO? IN TWO VERY SPECIAL WAYS: **1. The Holy Spirit inspired Moses to** write down the ordinances for **Tabernacle worship and the service** that was to be performed; **2. The Holy Spirit now shows the** relevance to the preacher as an inspired interpreter of the sacred text.

Service in the Old Tent required...

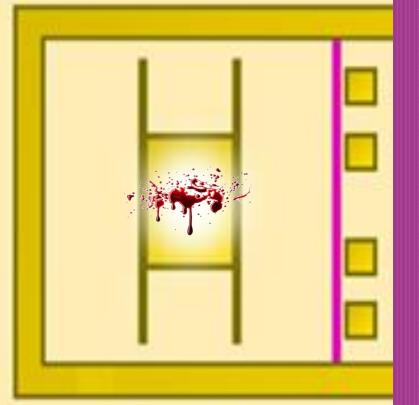
> ...GIFTS And OFFERINGS!





Most Holy Place

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Thus, Service in the Old Tent provide...

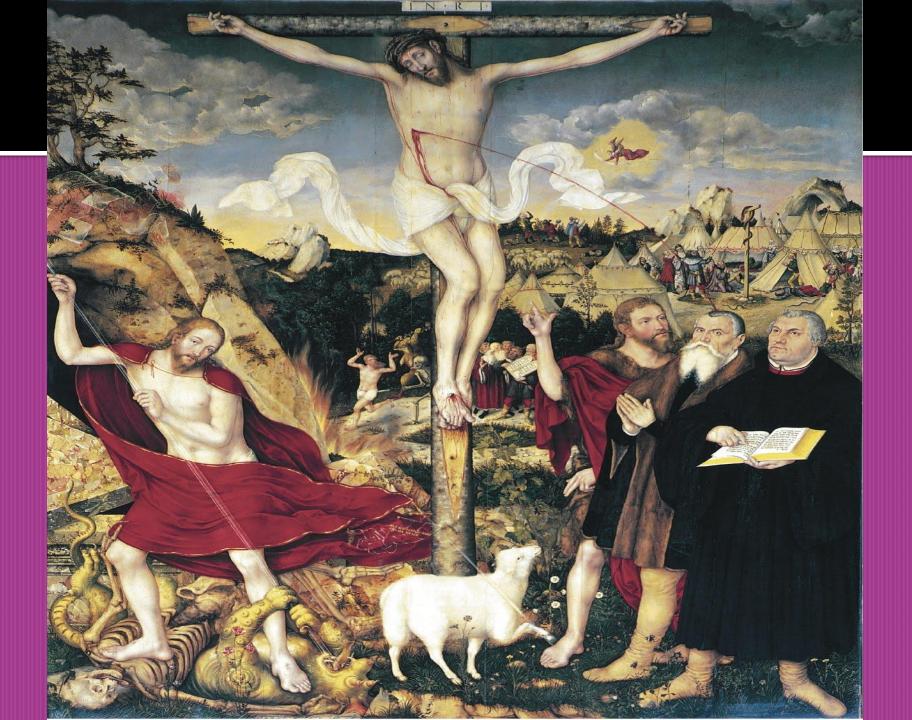
...LIMITED ACCESS TO GOD!

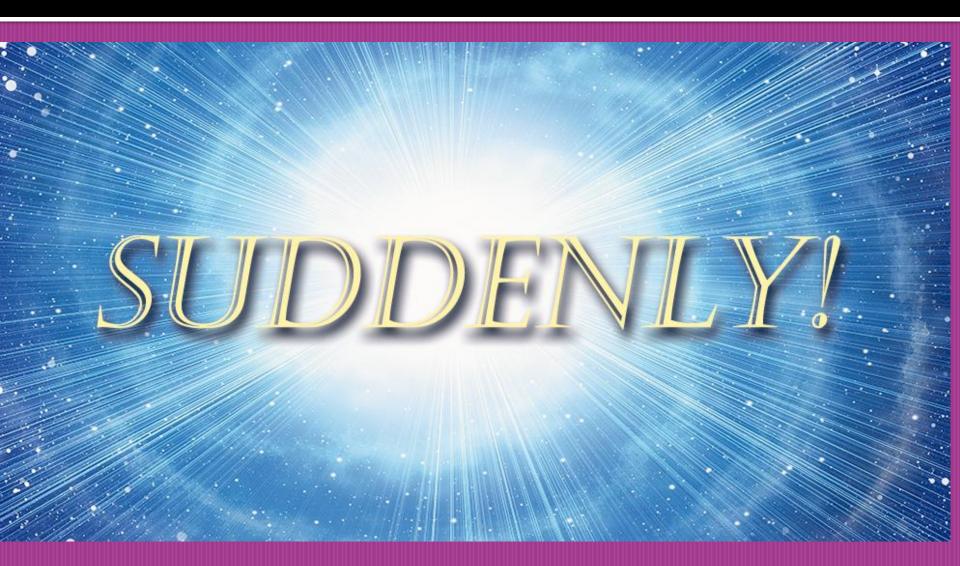
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UNTIL THE TIME OF REFORMATION ?!

What Does That Mean?

"a straightening out!"

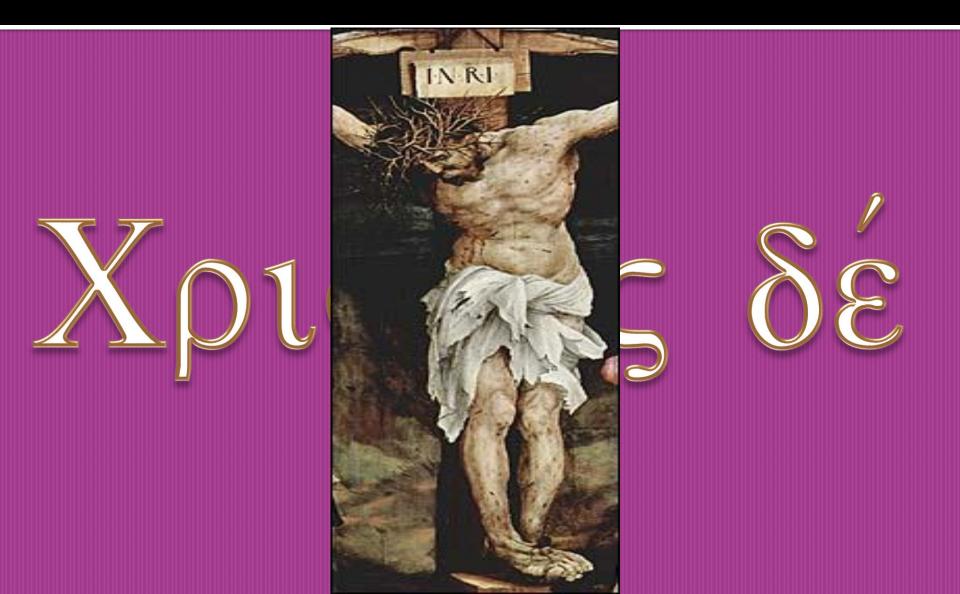






HEBREWS 9:12 "... By his own blood he entered in once into the holy place,





VERSES 13-14

ESV Hebrews 9:13-14

For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls . . . sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ . . . purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Those "works" done by spiritually dead people without any benefit for their spiritual life.



IN SUMMARY

The importance of Chapter 9 cannot be over stated. The preacher is teaching that as the outer shrine of the tabernacle is to the inner shrine; so the earthly tent is to the heavenly tent.

The purity of the flesh for participation in the service of the Old Covenant is to the purity of the <u>conscience</u> for God-pleasing service in the New Covenant!



Your BLOOD Bought Inheritance!