

An Analysis of the Logic of Hebrews 10:1-18

Thesis

9:26 Messiah has appeared once for all to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Explanation 1

10:1 **For:** "The law ... can never ... make perfect those who draw near."

Reason

10:2 **Since:** They would have ceased, but they did not.

Explanation

10:4 The blood of beasts cannot take away sins.

Inferences

10:5 **Wherefore:** Messiah came to replace the first covenant with the second.

This was foretold in Psalm 40:6-8.

10:10 "We have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

Explanation 2

10:11 **And:** "The same sacrifices ... can never take away sins."

Contrast

10:12 **But:** "Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins."

Explanation

10:14 **For:** "by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified."

10:15 **And:** The Holy Spirit testified to this in Jeremiah 31:33 and 34.

10:18 **And:** "There is no longer any offering for sin."