



Jesus' Last Will and Testament, Part 1

Senior Pastor, Kevin Hurt

Hebrews 9:15-28

April 30, 2017

What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book - Jesus is "Better" ...
- The Outline of the Book of Hebrews ...

A Better Person: Jesus (1-6)

- 1) Jesus is better than all the O.T. Prophets
- 2) Jesus is better than Angels
- 3) Jesus is better than Moses
- 4) Jesus is better than Aaron's Priesthood

A Better Priesthood: Jesus (7-10)

- 1) Because Jesus is a priest like Melchizedek — chp. 7
- 2) Because Jesus provides a better covenant — chp. 8
- 3) Because only Jesus cleanses our dirty conscience — chps. 9-10

What we are going to learn today in our study ...

Hebrews 9:15-28

The theme of redemption, by blood, is pervasive in the Bible

- The death angel passed through Egypt and **SPARED** those who applied the blood (Exodus 11:4-6).
- The blood of Christ **SAVES** those who believe (Romans 3:25).

An inheritance, by the blood of Christ, through a last will and testament (Hebrews 9:15-28)

- Romans 8:16-17 "*heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ*"
- Ephesians 1:11-17 "*We have obtained an inheritance*"
- 1 Corinthians 3:22-23 "*all things belong to you, and you belong to Christ; and Christ belongs to God.*"

I. THE PURPOSE OF THE NEW COVENANT/WILL vs. 15-17

The Transition v. 15 } The key verse summarizing vs. 1-14

The Terms vs. 16-17 } The making of a will

"covenant" (NASB)	"will" (ESV)	"testament" (KJV)
----------------------	-----------------	----------------------

- 1) "covenants" are made between **LIVING** people.
- 2) "wills" or "testaments" don't go into effect until someone **DIES**.

A lesson from Genesis 15:9-18

Why the cutting of the animals?

Why didn't Abraham walk through the covenant pieces?

The Point of Hebrews 9:15-17 — In order for the New Covenant (Will or Testament) to be of any benefit to you, it was **NECESSARY** for Christ to die.

II. THE PROMISES OF THE NEW COVENANT/WILL vs. 18-28

"Therefore ..."

We have total **FORGIVENESS** by Christ's blood. (vs. 18-26)

"blood" — 7x's (vs. 18,19,20,21,22,25)

"Christ has entered, ... heaven itself, now to **appear** in the presence of God **on our behalf**." v. 24

"... He has **appeared** once for all at the end of the ages **to put away sin** by the sacrifice of Himself." v. 26

Today's Growth Point — How does this passage apply to you today?

- 1) To refuse Christ is to turn your back on the **ONE** place sin can be **FORGIVEN**.
- 2) God's love for His people has never **BEGAN** and will never **END**.