

Hebrews 9:15-28

A Mediator (Hebrews 9:15)

God no longer writes his will on tablets of stone; he moves, by his Spirit, in our hearts and makes the will of God part of what we love.

A Will (Hebrews 9:16-23)

What did Christ accomplish on the cross?

1. The death of Christ bought a people
 “Christ did not come to put man in a redeemable position but to redeem to himself a people.” John Murray on John 6:36-40
2. The death of Christ was for you.
 “By his wounds you have been healed” (1st Peter 2:24)
3. The death of Christ reconciles us to God.
 “And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him” (Colossians 1:21–22).

An Appearance (Hebrews 9:24-28)

He has appeared (v. 26)

He now appears (v. 24)

He will appear (v. 28)

Old Covenant	New Covenant
sinful condition	sinful condition
yearly sacrifice offered	perfect sacrifice offered
2nd chance	2nd Adam
<u>new start</u>	<u>new heart</u>
model to follow	substitute to trust
salvation <u>earned</u>	salvation <u>purchased</u>

“Rend your heart and not your garments” (Joel 2:13).

Discussion Questions:

- Which contrast between the Old and New Covenants stands out most to you?
- The Gospel is not opposed to effort but earning. What is the difference in that?
- We ended with an emphasis on heart connection over behavior modification (Joel 2:13). What does it look like for you to engage relationship with God instead of following the ritual of religion?

