

Let Us Draw Near

HEBREWS 10:19-22

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God
Dwells
WITH US

I. Let us draw near to Christ, who secures our _____ to God.

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh ... vv. 19-20

OLD COVENANT	NEW COVENANT
Limited access	Confident access
High priest only	Every believer
Once a year	Any time
Blood of animals	Blood of Jesus
Curtain blocking the way	Curtain torn, opening the way
Symbolic cleansing	Cleansed conscience
External washings	Heart sprinkled clean
Many imperfect priests	One perfect High Priest
Repeated sacrifices	Once-for-all sacrifice
Sins covered	Sin removed
Fear and distance	Assurance and nearness
Could not bring near to God	Brings us near with confidence

II. Let us draw near to Christ, who sustains our _____ before God.

... and since we have a great priest over the house of God ... v. 21

Draw near ...

... let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. v. 22

WITH A TRUE HEART: Come _____, not trying to manage your image.

IN FULL ASSURANCE OF FAITH: Come _____, not trying to be acceptable.

HEARTS SPRINKLED, BODIES WASHED: Come _____, not trying to clean yourself up.



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HOME GROUP

Lesson + Devotional

Before you begin, ask the Holy Spirit to teach you and guide your study.

1. Read Hebrews 10:19-25. Which "holy places" (v. 19) do Christians have confidence to enter? Compare this to the access Israel had to the tabernacle in the wilderness. What are the implications for us?
2. The Greek word for *confidence* (v. 19) referred to the citizen's right to speak freely in democratic assemblies. It means *freedom to speak unreservedly*, and *cheerful courage, boldness and assurance*. Why does Jesus' blood give us this confidence?
3. So how should we relate to God, according to vv. 22-23?
4. What are some reasons why we don't draw near to God?
5. How do I regard the fact that God wants to spend time with me? Does it change anything in my life?
6. How do we balance being God's friend with maintaining the proper reverence?
7. Take a brief spiritual inventory. Prayerfully consider how well you ...
 - draw near to God with a true heart in full assurance of faith (v. 22)
 - hold fast to the hope you profess (v. 23)
 - stir up one another to love and good deeds (v. 24)
 - meet together with other Christians to encourage them (v. 25)
 What commitments does this self-examination move you to make?

FOR FURTHER STUDY: THE HEAVENLY TABERNACLE

The book of Revelation mentions furnishings in the heavenly tabernacle, paralleling the furnishings of the earthly tabernacle we studied. Read these passages to get a heavenly glimpse:

- altar (Rev 6:9-11)
- throne (Rev 4:2)
- cherubim (Rev 4:6-7)
- altar of incense (Rev 8:3-5)
- elders/priests (Rev 4:4-5)
- basin/"sea" (Rev 4:6)
- lamps (Rev 4:5)

HELPFUL Quotes

No old covenant worshiper would have been bold enough to try to enter the Holy of Holies in the tabernacle. Even the high priest entered the Holy of Holies only once a year. The thick veil that separated the Holy Place from the Holy of Holies was a barrier between people and God. Only the death of Christ could tear that veil (Mark 15:38) and open the way into the heavenly sanctuary where God dwells. - Warren Wiersbe

The way to God is both 'new' and 'living.' It is 'new' because what Jesus has done has created a completely new situation, 'living' because that way is indissolubly bound up with the Lord Jesus himself. - Leon Morris

YOUR NEXT STEP AT Christ Chapel



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New or returning, fill out a Connect Card and experience life together at Christ Chapel.

Together in Prayer

We want to pray with and for you this week as we go to God together.



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Upcoming Events

Join in to grow your faith, make disciples, and reach those who do not know or walk with Jesus.



A WONDERFUL Offer

Being a Christian isn't based on membership in a local church or keeping a set of rules. It involves a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and an understanding of who He is and what He has done to provide man with a way to experience God's love for us. Here's how to know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior:

1. Admit that you're a sinner, separated from a holy and perfect God.
(Romans 3:23; Isaiah 53:6)
2. Understand that the penalty for your sin is death – eternal separation from God and all that is good.
(Romans 6:23; Hebrews 9:27)
3. Believe that Jesus Christ took the penalty for your sin by dying in your place and conquered death by rising from the dead.
(Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21)
4. Receive the free gift of salvation by trusting in Christ alone as your Savior from sin and death and your provider of true and eternal life.
(Romans 4:4-5; Ephesians 2:8-9)

You can use this prayer to express your decision to God:

Dear God, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for me and rose from the dead. I trust in him alone as the only way to be reconciled to you. Thank you for the forgiveness of sins and the eternal life I now have. Amen.



We'd love to know about your decision. Scan the QR code to learn more about following Jesus!