

AT ONE WITH JESUS

HEBREWS 9:11-25

How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)

BACKGROUND: “Atonement refers to the basis and process by which estranged people become at one with God (atonement=at-one-ment). When we identify with Jesus, we are no longer at odds with God.” Holman Illustrated Bible Dictionary, p.227. See **Leviticus 17:11, fn 17:11-14**. In God’s economy blood represents death; without death there is no forgiveness (atonement) for sin. (**Hebrews 9:22**)

I OBTAINED ETERNAL REDEMPTION. God’s penalty for all sin is death but God paid the penalty of death for me with the blood of Christ so that I could live. I am at one with him and no longer a slave to sin, and I have eternal redemption and eternal security in Him. (**Hebrews 9:11, 12, fn 9:12, Romans 3:23-25, fn 3:24[2nd], fn 3:25, Ephesians 1:7, fn 1:7, Matthew 20:28, fn 20:28, Romans 5:11-17, fn 5:11**) *Is there any sin (addiction, pornography, bitterness, etc.) that you feel you are a slave to? How could your group help you?*

I HAVE A CLEAR CONSCIENCE. Old Covenant sacrifices could only cover sin, not remove it. When Jesus gave His blood for my sin, He also paid for the guilt associated with it. He totally removed my sin and gave me a new heart with a guilt-free conscience. (**Hebrews 9:13, 14, fn 9:12-14, fn 9:13, 14, Hebrews 10:17, fn 10:17, Philippians 3:12-14, fn 3:13 14, Hebrews 10:21, 22, fn 10:21, 22**) *How could you have a guilt-free conscience?*

I KNOW HE IS ON MY SIDE. Christ’s blood inaugurated the New Covenant, His return to Heaven, and my salvation. As Jesus said when He gave up His spirit on the cross, “It is finished!” He is now in heaven with the Father interceding for me and other believers to accomplish His will for our lives. (**Hebrews 9:22-25, fn 9:24, Hebrews 7:25, fn 7:25, Romans 8:31-39, fn 8:34, I John 2:1, 2, fn 2:2[1st]**) *How could you be at one with Jesus?*

As you daily study the truths about Jesus, in what ways is the presence of the Holy Spirit revealing to you God's majesty and glory?