

“The High Priest Offers Himself”

Sunday, December 10, 2023 | Text: Matthew 27:45-56

I. The final hours of Christ’s crucifixion (vs. 45-50)

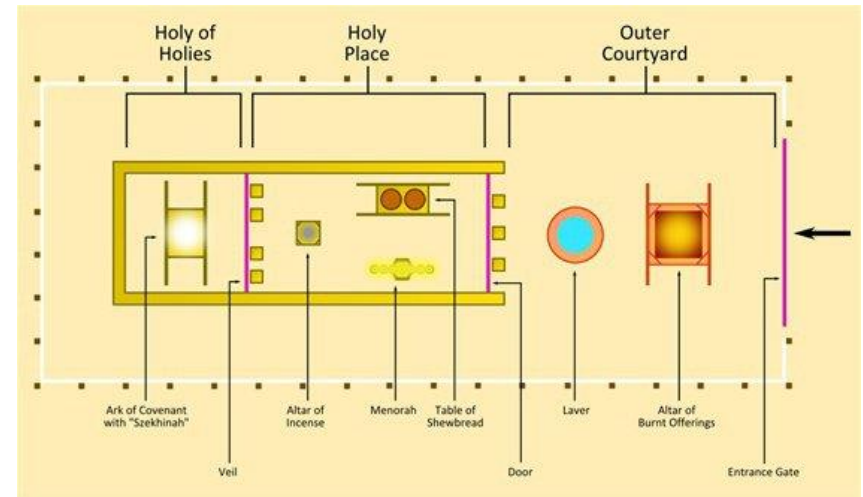
- A. Three hours of darkness (vs. 45-46)
- B. The crowd mocks Christ (vs. 47-49)
- C. Jesus gives up His life to the Father (vs. 50)

II. The immediate ramifications of Christ’s crucifixion (vs. 51-56)

- A. The earth cries out (vs. 51-53)
- B. The eyewitnesses cry out (vs. 54-56)

III. The theological significance of Christ’s crucifixion (Hebrews 9-10)

- A. The symbolic furniture of the tabernacle/temple (9:1-5)
- B. The symbolic actions of the High Priest (9:6-10)
- C. The greater sacrifice of the great High Priest (9:11-15)
- D. The greater blessings resulting from Christ’s sacrifice:
 - 1. Our High Priest’s sacrificial work is done (10:12)
 - 2. Our High Priest instituted a New Covenant (10:16)
 - 3. The debt of sin is paid in full and we have been perfected (10:14)
 - 4. We have direct access to the presence of God (10:19-22; Heb. 4:14-16)



Next Sunday’s Sermon: Matthew 27:57-66

Today’s Key Insight! If you were to share a key insight from today’s sermon with a friend, what would you say? In a sentence or two, write down here what you would say:

Discussion Questions: Is it fitting to study Christ’s crucifixion account during the advent season? Why/why not? Why does Jesus quote from Psalm 22 when He is on the cross? What is the significance of the veil being torn from top to bottom in the temple? Describe the different responses / attitudes of the people witnessing Jesus’ crucifixion. How does the Old Testament sacrificial system point to Jesus?

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