

**Sermon Quotes**  
**June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006**  
**Study of Hebrews- Jesus As Priest and Sacrifice**

**Leviticus 16:20-22** ESV “And when he has made an end of atoning for the Holy Place and the tent of meeting and the altar, he shall present the live goat. (21) And Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, and confess over it all the iniquities of the people of Israel, and all their transgressions, all their sins. And he shall put them on the head of the goat and send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a man who is in readiness. (22) The goat shall bear all their iniquities on itself to a remote area, and he shall let the goat go free in the wilderness.”

“Under the Old Covenant the Lord was set forth to the people as dwelling apart, within the veil. A thick tapestry hung before the most holy place, and thus concealed the light which symbolized the presence of God. Within the inner sanctuary Jehovah dwelt apart, and none entered the sacred precincts save one man, and he but once a year. The great teaching was—God is hidden from men; sin has made a division between man and God; the way of approach is not yet made manifest. Yet even then there was a hint given that an entrance would be made possible; for the division was not a wall of bricks, nor even an arrangement of cedar overlaid with gold: it was a veil which, once in the year, was solemnly lifted, that the high priest might pass beneath. This hinted that sinful men were yet to be permitted to draw near unto the Most Holy God, through the Christ of God...364 days in the year the teaching was, ‘No admission.’ One day out of the 365 the teaching was, ‘A way of access will yet be shown.’”

—Charles Spurgeon

“Now think of the psychological effect of the constant repetition of these ritual acts of seeking atonement for sin. Though it beautifully sets forth the need for atonement, it was inadequate to give us a sense that sins had been dealt with, once for all. That’s the beauty of the once-for-all sacrifice of Christ. **It needs no repetition.** I am freed from my sins by that once-for-all sacrifice. It is not capable of being repeated; whereas the Old Testament sacrifices had to be constantly repeated year after year.”

—Ligon Duncan

“The entrance of our Lord once for all into the holy place has secured the entrance of his people. It was once, and it cannot be twice, because it was so effectual; and this is set forth by the Gospels, for when our Lord entered the holy place, the veil was torn. The holy of holies was laid open: its enclosure was thrown down...Had our High Priest merely lifted the veil and passed in, we might have supposed that the veil fell back again: but since the veil of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom, there can be no need for a new entrance; for that which hinders is taken away. No veil now hangs between God and his chosen people: we may come boldly to the throne of grace.”

—Charles Spurgeon