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Review:

W1: Greatest messenger
W2: Greatest Leader
W3: Greatest High Priest
W4: Greatest Sacrifice

WHY A SACRIFICE?

God created humanity in His image to know, love, and obey Him. Humanity chose sin, and sin brought death. Because God is holy and just, evil cannot simply be ignored. Yet God is also loving, merciful, and gracious. His plan was to send Jesus - God the Son - to become one of us, live the perfect life we could not live, and die the death we deserved. Jesus became our substitute: the sacrifice in our place.

VERSES: Hebrews 10:10, Romans 3:25, 2 Corinthians 5:21

THE LAW SHOWS OUR NEED

We naturally underestimate our need for a Savior. God gave His people the law to reveal sin, remove our excuses, and point us toward salvation. The sacrifices given with the law foreshadowed Christ. The law could expose the problem, but it could not make anyone right with God. We are made right with God by grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

VERSES: Romans 3:19-24

HEBREWS:

THE SHADOW POINTED TO JESUS

The old sacrifices pointed forward to Jesus.

ONE SACRIFICE FOR ALL TIME

Jesus offered Himself once for all sin.

THE BLOOD OF JESUS OPENS THE WAY

Jesus' sacrifice gives us access to God.

JESUS PAID THE SENTENCE

Jesus paid our penalty. We are saved through faith in Him.

THE BIG QUESTION

Are you trusting Jesus' sacrifice or trying to save yourself?

VERSES USED: Hebrews 10:1–3; Hebrews 10:11–14; Hebrews 10:19–25; Hebrews 10:26–29; Romans 3:24–25

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Why do you think it's important to understand the seriousness of sin in order to understand the significance of Jesus' sacrifice?
2. Romans 3 says the law shows us how sinful we are. How can recognizing our inability to save ourselves actually lead us toward freedom rather than shame?
3. Hebrews 10:1–3 says the Old Testament sacrifices were only a "shadow" of what was coming. What were the sacrifices meant to teach people about sin and their need for a Savior?
4. Imagine living under a system of sacrifice after sacrifice, day after day and year after year. What does that repetition teach us about what those sacrifices could—and could not—accomplish?
5. Read Hebrews 10:11–14. Why is it significant that the priests continually stood and offered sacrifices, but after Jesus offered Himself, He "sat down"? What does that tell us about what Jesus accomplished?
6. Hebrews 10:19–25 says that because of Jesus' blood we can boldly enter God's presence. Do you tend to approach God confidently because of what Jesus has done, or do you sometimes feel like you need to earn your way back to Him? Why?
7. What are some ways people even Christians still try to "pay for" their own sin through guilt, good works, religious performance, or trying to prove themselves to God? How does the finished sacrifice of Jesus change that?
8. The big question of this message is: "Are you trusting Jesus' sacrifice or trying to save yourself?" What would it look like practically for you to trust more fully in what Jesus has already done for you this week

