



# *FIXING OUR EYES ON JESUS!*

**In the Old & New Testament**  
*A Study in the  
book of Hebrews*



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JESUS IS OUR IDEAL  
SACRIFICE, A GREATER  
PURPOSE!



# Hebrews

**THE LAW HAS BUT A SHADOW  
OF THE GOOD THINGS TO COME**

Heb 10:1





What was the purpose for the  
Old Testament sacrifices?



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# Only a shadow

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- Anticipated good things to come
- Why were there sacrifices?
- Worship Wars, since the start!
- We approach God on His terms!

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**REJECTED!**



Cain offering fruit of the ground

**ACCEPTED!**



Abel offering a lamb





# So much blood!

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- **King Solomon offered a sacrifice of 22,000 oxen and 120,000 sheep – 2 Chron 7**
- **Imagine Passover in the Temple!**
- **Extravagant love? Or cheap?**

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# How did Solomon manage to sacrifice 144000 animals? - Biblical Hermeneutics Stack Exchange







**"I will not sacrifice to  
the LORD my God burnt  
offerings that cost me  
nothing."**

**2 Samuel 24:24**



# Sacrifice or lavish love?

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- **The Lamb of God! Put away sin!**
- **Innocent, harmless, vulnerable**
- **Soft, white clothing, woolly good!**
- **“it’s better to ask forgiveness than permission”**

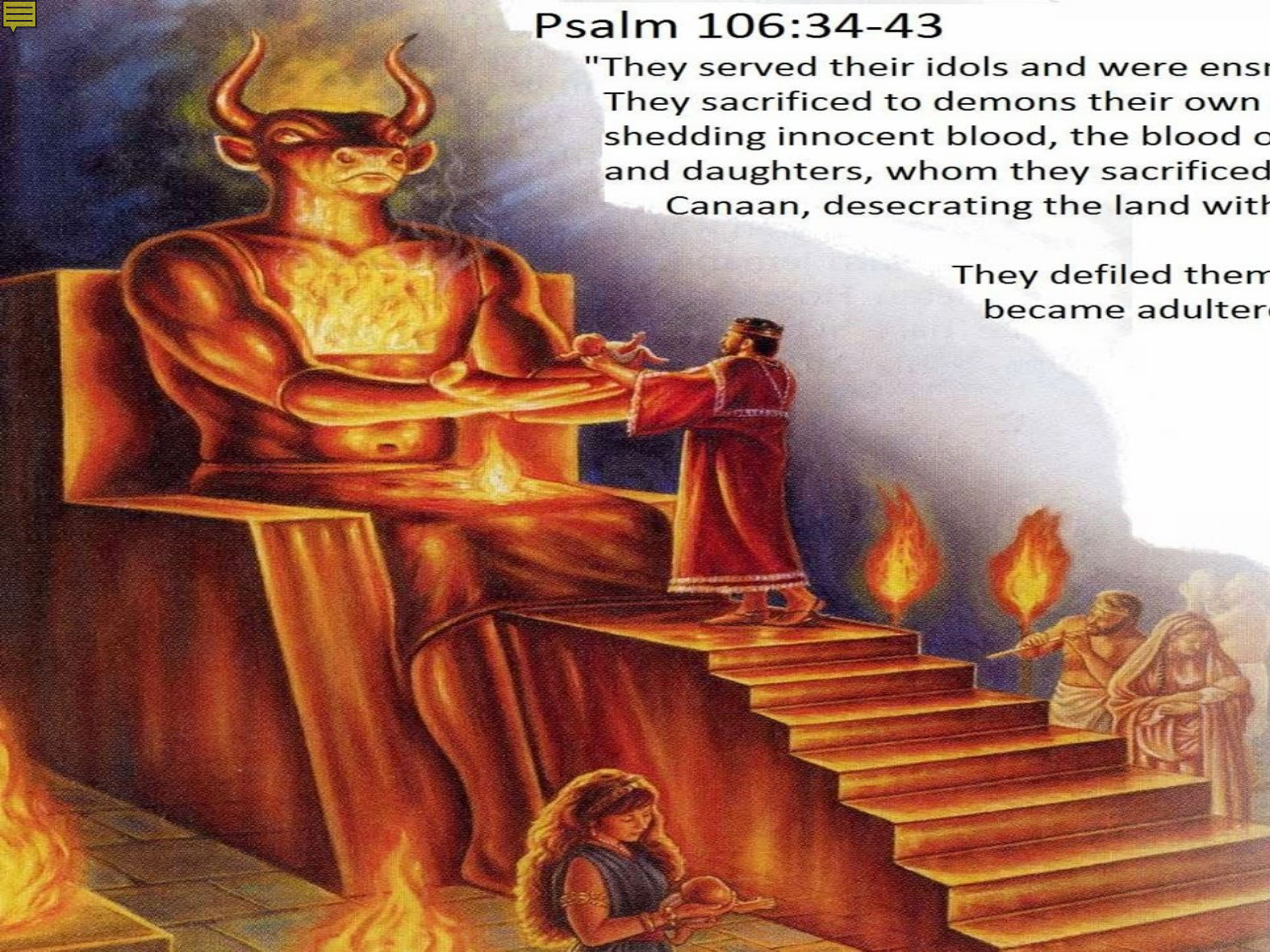
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## Psalms 106:34-43

"They served their idols and were ensnared by them. They sacrificed to demons their own sons and daughters, shedding innocent blood, the blood of their own sons and daughters, whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan, desecrating the land with bloodshed.

They defiled themselves by their actions, became adulterers by their conduct."





# Pseudo sacrifices

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- Ahaz threw his son in the fire!
- Jephthah sacrifices his daughter
- Saul killed the Amalekites BUT . . .
- Rom 12

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GRACE IS NOT  
SIMPLY LENIENCY  
WHEN WE HAVE  
SINNED. GRACE IS  
THE ENABLING GIFT  
AND POWER OF GOD  
NOT TO SIN. ←

GRACE IS POWER,  
NOT JUST PARDON.

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A CHRIST  
CENTERED  
COALITION



# God always wanted . . .

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- Faithfully Obedient Loyalty!
- Love God with ALL!
- Us to be Holy!
- Sincere and repentant sacrifices pointing to His Son!

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# Saved to Serve!

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- **Ex 2:19 – Saved / Rescued / Delivered**
- **Ex 3:12 – Worship / Serve / Work**
- **Ex 3:18 – Sacrifice**
- **Ex 5:1 - Celebrate**

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**LET MY PEOPLE GO**





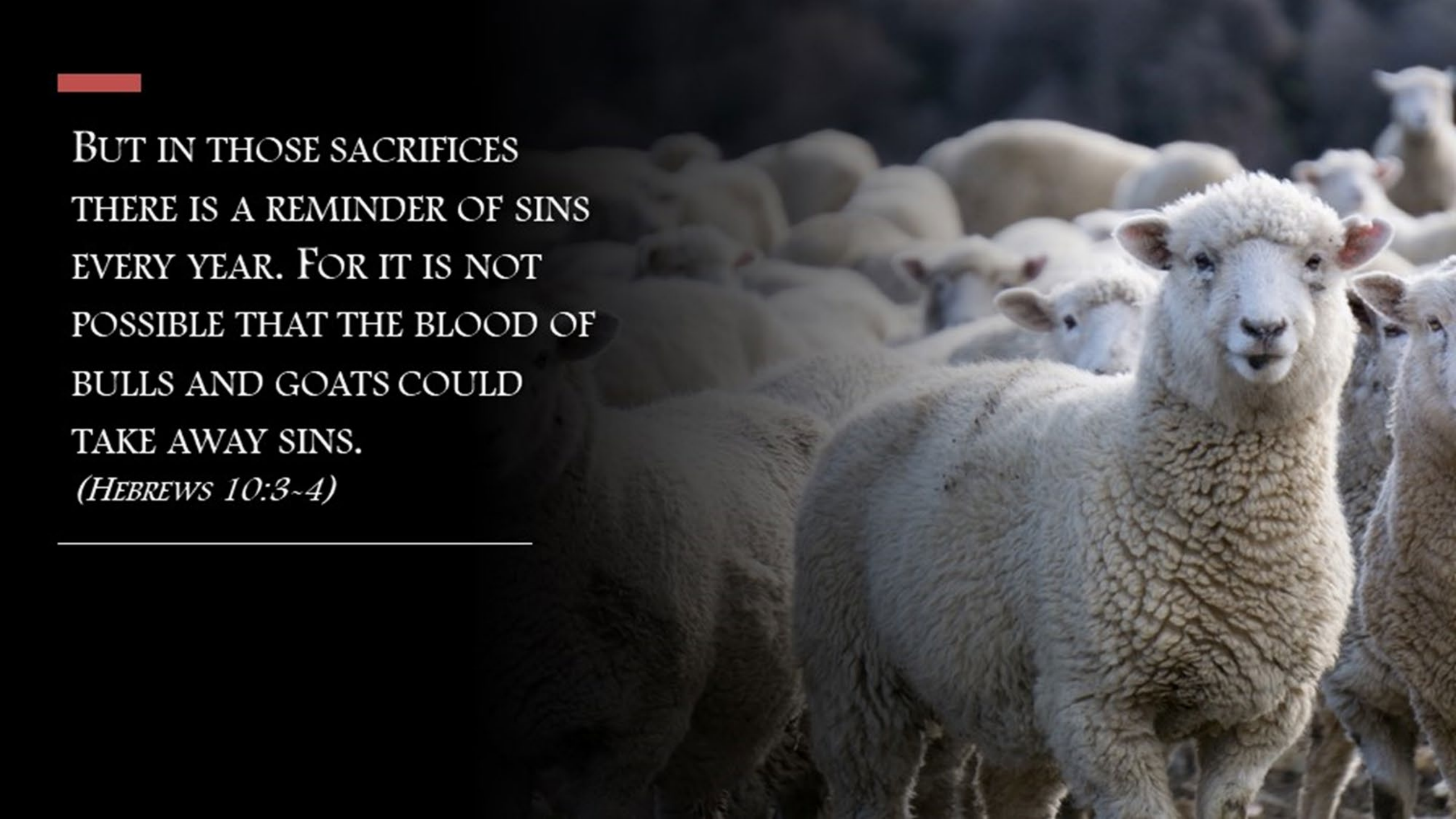
# Fall at His feet!

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- Ps 40:1, 6-8, 12-13; Heb 10:5-7
- Ps 110:1; Mt 22:42; Heb 10:12-13
- Jer 31:33-34; Heb 10:16-17
- Gen 3:15 – A body, bruised heel

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BUT IN THOSE SACRIFICES  
THERE IS A REMINDER OF SINS  
EVERY YEAR. FOR IT IS NOT  
POSSIBLE THAT THE BLOOD OF  
BULLS AND GOATS COULD  
TAKE AWAY SINS.

*(HEBREWS 10:3~4)*


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Though your  
sins are like  
scarlet,

Isaiah 1:18



they shall be  
as white  
as snow.



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# Why did God save us?

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- **God heard their groaning**
- **You will be my people**
- **Worship and serve God!**
- **Enter joy of the Lord**

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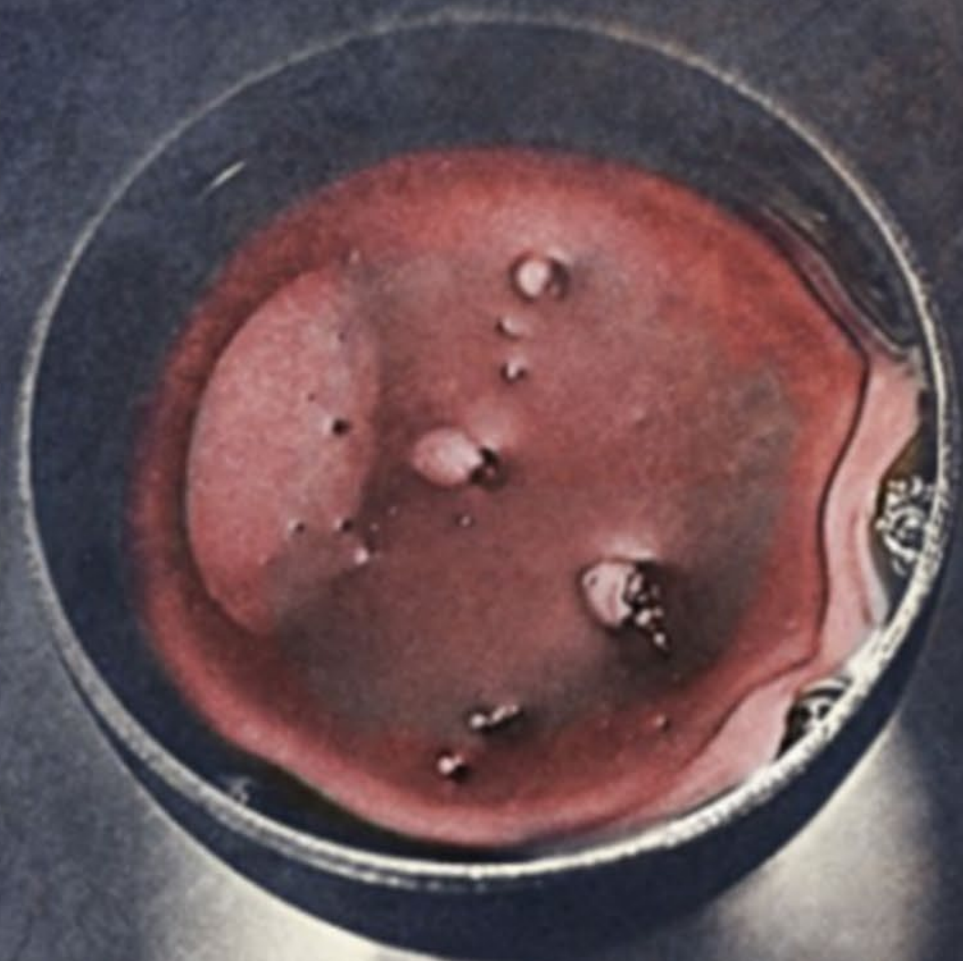




Hebrews 10:10

We have  
been made holy  
through the  
sacrifice of the body  
of Jesus Christ  
once for all.



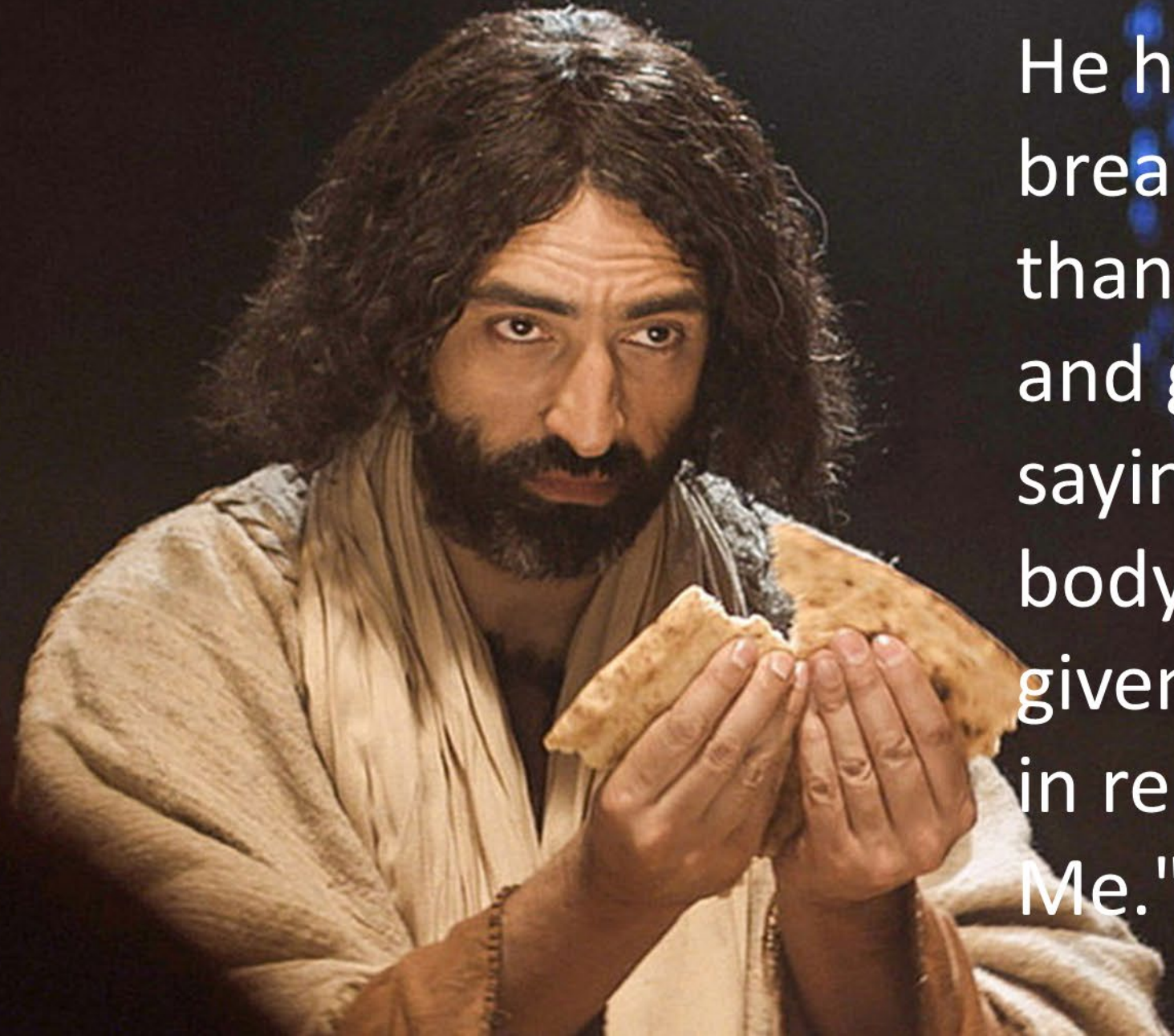


# + REMEMBERING HIS COVENANT

"For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins" (Matthew 26:28).

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Luk 22:19 And when He had taken [some] bread [and] given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body, which is being given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."



Luk 22:20 And in the same way [He took] the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup, which is poured out for you, is the new covenant in My blood."

