

First words:

Therefore, brothers, since we havelet us....

Brothers = fellow Jews – see **Romans 9:3**

The Cause for Faith

A. Because we have access to the better_____

Hebrews 10:19a - Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places...

- 1. Our sanctuary is made by God – **Hebrews 9:11** - *But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation)*
- 2. Our sanctuary is in the presence of God – **Hebrews 9:24** - *For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.*

B. Because we have access by the better _____

Hebrews 10:19b - *By the blood of Jesus...*

- 1. The sacrifice of Christ cleanses internally - **Hebrews 9:14** - *How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.*
- 2. The sacrifice of Christ cleanses eternally – **Hebrews 10:4&10** - *For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins...*
¹⁰And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

C. Because we have access in the better _____

Hebrews 10:20 - *...by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh...*

1. The New Convent is established on better promises – **Hebrews 8:6** -*But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises.*

2. The New Covenant is mediated by a better priesthood – **Hebrews 10:12** - *But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God...*

D. Because we have access through the better _____

Hebrews 10:21 - *...and since we have a great priest over the house of God...*

- 1. Our High Priest continues forever – **Hebrews 7:24-25** - *But he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever.*
²⁵Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.
- 2. Our High Priest is perfect forever – **Hebrews 7:28** - *For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.*

E. Because we have access based on the better _____

See **Hebrew 10:26-12:3**

The Effect of Faith

A. Therefore _____

Hebrews 10:22 - *Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.*

1. The exhortation – Let us draw near
Hebrews 7:19 - *¹⁹(for the law made nothing perfect); but on the other hand, a better hope is introduced, through which we draw near to God.*

– See **Jeremiah 30:21-22**

2. The expectation
-with a true heart – cp, **Matthew 5:8** and **Mt. 15:8**
-in full assurance of faith – cp. **Hebrews 11:6** and **10:39**

3. The explanation – These conditions are already present
- Lit. – having had our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience
- Lit. – having had our bodies washed with pure water

B. Therefore _____

Hebrews 10:23 - *Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.*

1. The exhortation – The perseverance of the saints
Hebrews 6:19 - *We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain...*
2. The expectation – without wavering, not leaning
3. The explanation – *for he who promised is faithful*
1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 - *Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it.*

C. Therefore _____

Hebrews 10: 24-25 - *And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. – see **John 12:42-43***

1. The exhortation – Let us continually consider one another
2. The expectation – unto the stirring up to love and good works
3. The explanation
- _____ – not abandoning the assembling of each other just as habit to some
- _____ – but exhorting – “parakaleo” – to be called alongside – and by so much more as you see day drawing near – **Romans 13:12**

So...What’s it to me?

