

Application questions

Applying this message to everyday life

1. Have you ever experienced a lack of happiness due to shame and guilt? Before Christ, how did you deal with shame and guilt? How do you keep from telling yourself you are a terrible person?
2. We have all sinned. What have you learned from this sermon that will help you to claim a clear conscience? (You may want to refer to the dictionary definition.)
3. Name some practical ways you can respond to our God who said that He will forgive your wickedness and remember your sins no more.
4. Spend time together praying for how this message can be applied in your lives.

A Better Way
#598 – Claiming a Clear Conscience
Hebrews 9:1-10

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Claiming a Clear Conscience

This is an illustration for the present time, indicating that the gifts and sacrifices being offered were not able to clear the conscience of the worshiper.

Hebrews 9:9

A clear conscience is a _____ or _____ that one has done nothing wrong or bad. Merriam-Webster Dictionary

I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins _____
_____. Hebrews 8:12

The Tabernacle: An Illustration of Something Greater

1. Lampstand – Jesus is the _____ of the world
2. Consecrated Bread – Jesus is the _____ of life
3. Altar of Incense – Jesus _____ for us
4. Ark of the Covenant – God did not see the broken _____, He saw the _____
5. Jar of Manna – taste, touch and smell that the Lord is _____
6. Aaron's Staff – supernatural _____ to transform physical reality

The old covenant's _____ system only covered sins committed in ignorance; it could not clear the conscience.

Relationship over Religion

1. Like David our only hope is a repentant heart and God's _____.
2. We gather not out of _____, but out of _____.

GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to get your group started

A. What plans do you have for this Memorial Day weekend?

B. In your opinion what consumer brand has an ingenious logo? Why do you think it is so good? (Try to have every Life Group member identify a unique logo.)

C. Have you ever been an incense burner? Why or why not?

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK – DIGGING DEEPER

Jot down a brief answer to the following four questions

Quick Review

1. Reflecting on this week's sermon, is there any principle or insight that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?

2. In verse 5, after listing the contents of the tabernacle, the author declares, that "we cannot discuss these things in detail now." Give your explanation as to why he stated this.

3. Review the illustrative examples pointing to Jesus of what was contained within the tabernacle. Which one(s) are most meaningful to you? Why?

4. In verse 10 the author tells us of "the time of a new order." Describe what he is referring to and the significance this new order would have for the Jews. Describe the significance the new order has for you.