

Sermon Discussion Guide

Oct. 7 & 8, 2023 "Something Old, Something New...For You!" <u>Hebrews 9:24-28</u>

This year, we're reading through the Whole Holy Bible. Weekend sermons look specifically at New Testament books, while incorporating the Old Testament as well. This month we look at letters, or epistles, actually official epistles from other apostles. Join us as we read it, learn it, and live it together.

PRAY & CONNECT

Open in prayer and invite the Holy Spirit into your conversation. Ask God for wisdom and discernment and trust him to guide you. Take time to view the message on **HopeOnline.tv**. Did you have any "ah-ha" moments where you felt convicted, compelled, or inspired during the sermon? What's been on your mind this week? Have you been able to apply the message to your everyday life?

GROW

Read <u>Hebrews 9:24-28</u> - "Christ is the Perfect Sacrifice"

• What do you think is the biggest problem in the world today? How did Jesus offer the perfect sacrifice? What does that mean to you?

Read Romans 3:23 - "Christ Took Our Punishment"

• What is sin? How do most people think about it? What does the Bible say about it?

Read Isaiah 59:2 - "Warnings against Sin"

• What does sin do to our relationship with God and others? Why is sin such a big deal to God?

Read <u>Romans 7:14-25</u>- "Struggling with Sin"

- Do you relate to Paul at all in this passage? What is he struggling with? How are you struggling with sin? When do you want to do what is right, but do what is wrong?
- What is justice? Why does justice matter? Is God a God of justice? How so? Why did Jesus have to die?

APPLY

Consider the things you've said and done and the things you've not said or done that is not what God would want. Discuss with your group the challenges of keeping God's law. Why is it so difficult? How are we freed from the law and given the strength to obey at the same time. Pray that God would forgive you and thank him for doing that through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. This week, find time each day to say the name of Jesus and allow him to give you the strength to live and love freely.

