

# Community Group Discussion Guide

Sunday, January 5, 2020

Scripture: **Hebrews 9:1-12**



## THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Everything foreshadowed by Old Covenant worship was fulfilled in Jesus Christ who secured our redemption by his vicarious atoning work.

## QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION *(Use along with **Reading: Ante Faciem Dei**)*

- Where was the purpose of the “tent” or temple? What do the various regulations, religious artifacts, and temple barriers (courtyard, holy place, most holy place) teach us about the nature of God and ourselves?
- What was the ark of the covenant? What was significant about the items contained within the ark (a golden urn holding the manna, Aaron's staff, and the ten commandments)?
- What vital role did the priests and high priests play under the Old Covenant? What distinguished the priests from the high priests? How has the New Covenant administered under Jesus Christ the greater High Priest forever changed the priesthood (1 Peter 2:9)?
- What were the inherent weaknesses of Old Testament worship (verses 8-10)? How has Jesus cleansed our consciences, redeemed us from sin, and granted us access to God (verses 11-12)?
- How do the religious artifacts such as the bread of Presence, the brazen altar, the lampstand, and the ark of the covenant find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ?