ALL ACCESS IS GRANTED

How Far Would Someone Go to Rescue the One They Loved?

Chapters 1-3: God wants to "tabernacle" (dwell) with me.

Chapters 4-5: God accepts, cleanses, and forgives me.

Chapters 6-8: God uses me.

Chapters 9-14: God preserves and protects me.

CHAPTER NINE: ALL ACCESS GRANTED

Exodus 26:31-33: The Veil

The Veil's purpose was to keep people out.

It represented **Jesus' body**.

The torn veil signified that God accepted the blood that <u>Jesus</u> provided Him.

Jesus' work was finished!

CHAPTER TEN: LAW AND GRACE

Exodus 37:1-5: The Ark of the Covenant

Exodus 37:6-9: The Mercy Seat

The Ark contains Israel's national treasures.

The Ark by itself was a throne of judgment.

The Mercy Seat was in between God's <u>broken law</u> and God's <u>judgment</u>.

The Cherubim symbolized God's judgment.

The Ark and the Mercy Seat together are really the most perfect picture of the work of <u>Jesus Christ</u> and what He did for us.

"For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed His life, shedding His blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when He held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past, for He was looking ahead and including them in what He would do in the present time."

Romans 3:25-26a (NLT)

Jesus was the perfect mediator.

CHAPTER ELEVEN: ONE DAY A YEAR

Leviticus 16:1-34: The Day of Atonement

The High Priest represented the entire nation on this day.

First, he had to offer a sacrifice for his own sin.

Second, he had to offer a sacrifice for the sins of Israel.

The scapegoat symbolized the <u>sins of the people</u> being taken away.

"The goat will carry on itself all their sins to a remote place; and the man shall release it in the wilderness." Leviticus 16:22 (NIV)

"He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west."

Psalms 103:12 (NLT)

CHAPTER TWELVE: NOTHING LEFT TO DO

The goats, the rams, and the blood pointed to something about <u>Jesus</u>.

"The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship... But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins. It is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins."

Hebrews 10:1, 3-4 (NIV)

Jesus' priesthood was a complete priesthood.

"But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God." Hebrews 10:12 (NIV)

My salvation is preserved and protected eternally by <u>the blood</u> <u>of Jesus Christ</u>.

"But when Christ came as High Priest of the good things that are now already here, He went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation. He did not enter God's presence by means of the blood of goats and calves; but He entered the Most Holy Place once for all by His own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption." Hebrews 9:11-12 (NIV)

CHAPTER THIRTEEN: A PLACE TO HANG YOUR SOUL

The Holy of Holies represents a place of communion with God.

"How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord almighty! My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young—a place near your altar, Lord almighty, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you... Better is one day in your courts than a thousand

elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked." Psalm 84:1-4, 10 (NIV)

CHAPTER FOURTEEN: GLORY TO GOD FOREVER!

"Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle." Exodus 40:3-4 (NIV)

God's "glory"- all of who He is.

God's glory was seen:

- In creation (Psalms 19:1)
- In the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3:8)
- In the Burning Bush (Exodus 3:1-6)
- Completion of the Tabernacle (Exodus 40:34)
- Completion of the Temple (1 Kings 8:10, 11)

• In Jesus Christ

"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

John 1:14 (NIV)

• In the Church (Acts 2:1, Corinthians 6:19-20)

"In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit." Ephesians 2:21-22 (NIV)

The Second Coming of Christ

"When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory." Colossians 3:4 (NIV)

Truth to believe: I am a tabernacle of God.