



In Hebrews 7-10 we're introduced to the second section of the book of Hebrews. In this section we are primarily studying how Jesus is greater than any priest who has come before Him. In Hebrews 9 the author begins by addressing the Tabernacle that was constructed by Moses and the Israelites in the wilderness. When the construction of the Tabernacle was complete, God's glory dwelt there (Exodus 40:34). Even though God moved in the Tabernacle, it was still an earthly building constructed of earthly materials. The author used the Tabernacle as a way to point our attention to our need for Jesus and his greater ministry as our High Priest.

1. Neal shared a story about how his dad's room was "off-limits" to him during his childhood. Is there a place in your life that seems to be off-limits - a place that you could enter but feel like you aren't allowed there?
2. **Read Hebrews 9:1-5.** The first tabernacle had a lamp for light, a table for bread, and an altar for incense. **Read John 6:35, 8:12, and Romans 8:34.** How do we see Jesus in the items that were placed in the original Tabernacle?
3. Thinking about Jesus as the Bread of Life, Light of the World, and interceding on our behalf to the Father. Where do you need to lean into the power of Jesus most this week? Are you hungry for truth, in need of light, or need help in prayer?
4. **Read Hebrews 9:6-10.** The High Priest was only able to enter the Most Holy Place once a year to atone for the sins of the people. When Jesus died the curtain was torn in two (see **Matthew 27:50-51**). How do you feel about entering the presence of God?
5. The High Priest offered blood for those who committed sin in ignorance. Paul teaches us that everyone has sinned. **Read Romans 3:23.** Share about a time when you committed a sin without knowing it was a sin.
6. The Israelites worshipped the Lord at the Tabernacle. When we understand what Jesus has done for us, it inspires us to worship Him. **Read Psalm 100** and talk about the different ways we can worship the Lord.
7. Neal shared four ways that we can worship the Lord: through music, through creation (**Romans 1:20**), through giving (**Malachi 3:6-10**), and through silence (**Psalm 46:10**). What way did you choose to worship the Lord this week?
8. Close your time in prayer. Pray for the opportunity to invite a friend to meet Jesus.