**9 15** Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,   
 so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance,   
 since a death has occurred that redeems them from the   
 transgressions committed under the first covenant.

**16** For where a will is involved,   
 the death of the one who made it must be established.   
 **17** For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force   
 as long as the one who made it is alive.   
**18** Therefore not even the first covenant   
 was inaugurated without blood.   
 **19** For when every commandment of the law had been declared by Moses   
 to all the people, he took the blood of calves and goats,   
 with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and   
 sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, **20** saying,   
 “This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you.” {Exodus 24:1-8]  
 **21** And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood   
 both the tent and all the vessels used in worship.   
**22** Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

**23** Thus it was necessary   
 for the copies of the heavenly things to be purified   
 with these rites,   
 but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.   
**24** For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands,   
 which are copies of the true things,   
 but into heaven itself,   
 now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

**25** Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly,   
 as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own,   
**26** for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly   
 since the foundation of the world.   
 But as it is,   
 he has appeared once for all   
 at the end of the ages   
 to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.  
**27** And just as it is appointed for man to die once,   
 and after that comes judgment,   
**28** so Christ,   
 having been offered once to bear the sins of many,   
 will appear a second time,   
 not to deal with sin   
 but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.