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1. Compare and contrast the tabernacle under the old relationship (9:1-10) versus the tabernacle under the new relationship.
2. Define conscience. What was incomplete regarding forgiveness offered under the old relationship (Heb. 8:12; 9:9-10; 9:14; 10:1-4)?

Mediator of a New Covenant (9:15-22)

3. Given what you know about covenants (e.g. Gen 15), what qualifies Jesus to be mediator of a new covenant? Who is he mediating on behalf of? What are the characteristics of the new covenant?
4. What was absolutely necessary to confirm the new covenant? Forgiveness (Mt. 26:28; Eph. 1:7)?

The Perfect Sacrifice (9:23-28)

5. What makes Jesus the better sacrifice?
6. When did Christ enter into the holy place not made with hands?
7. How many times does man die? How many times is man judged? How many times is Christ offered?

8. Based on the immediate context (cf. 9:26-28), what are we needing deliverance from (1 Cor. 15:54-57; Rom. 6:8-13; 23)?

9. To those who have joined themselves to Christ, what are they eagerly waiting for (Rom. 8:23-25; Phil 3:20-21)?

Do Your Will (10:1-10)

10. What was the primary purpose of Jesus coming into the world, dwelling with humanity, and becoming humanity (Mt. 20:28; Jn. 6:51; 10:10; 12:27; 1 Tim. 1:15)? How devoted was Jesus to this task (1 Pt. 2:24)?

For All Time (10:11-18)

11. How many sacrifices were required under the old relationship? New relationship? What task was completed, never to be required again under the new relationship?

12. Compare the Levitical priests “standing” versus Christ “sitting” (cf. Heb. 1:3; 8:1). What is implied with “standing” and “sitting”?

The following chart is an excellent summary of the similarities & differences of the old and new systems¹:

Common Features	Old	New
High priests	Replaced because of death (7:23)	One high priest who lives eternally (7:24)
The holy place	Earthly tabernacle (9:1)	Heaven itself (9:24)
Blood (sacrificial death)	Of animals, not human (9:25)	Of Christ, human (9:12)
Sacrifices	Offered repeatedly, yearly (9:25)	Offered once (9:26), eternal (9:12)
Effect	Outward cleansing (9:9,13)	Cleanses the conscience (9:14)

¹ McClister, L.D., *A Commentary on Hebrews*, 327.