## **HEBREWS**

# **Our Superior Savior**

In a Better Place ~ Sanctuary

Hebrews 9:1-10

## PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty God, How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! Cause our souls to long, yes, faint for the courts of the LORD; cause our hearts and flesh to sing for joy to you our living God. Lord, even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young. Lord, bring us to your altar, into your presence, this morning for you are the Lord of hosts, our King and our God, our home and place of rest. Bless us, Lord, that we may dwell in your house, ever singing your praise! Bless us, Lord, that we may find our strength in you. As we journey through this barren land of our sojourn, bring us by the power of your Spirit to fresh springs of life that we might be refreshed and go from strength to strength and appear before you. O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! Behold you are our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed! Help us affirm with full confidence and joy this morning, Lord, for a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be doorkeeper in the house of our God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. For you, O Lord God, are a sun and shield to us; you alone bestow favor and honor upon us. No good thing....no good thing, Lord, do you withhold from those who walk uprightly. O Lord of hosts, bless us this morning by granting us great faith that we may trust in these truths and so to trust in you! Amen & Amen.

#### Central Textual Truth

The Hebrews pastor wanted his congregation to turn from the regulations of the tabernacle & trust in Christ, our better object of faith.

# Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to trust in Christ our better object of faith.

#### **OUTLINE**

- 1. A Sanctuary Prepared (vv. 1-5)
- 2. The Services Performed (vv. 6-7)
- 3. The Spirit's Purpose (vv. 8-10)