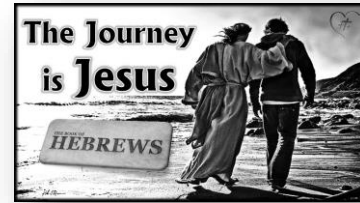




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**“SHADOWS and SUBSTANCE”**  
*Connecting with Reality*  
HEBREWS 9:1-10

- *Who lost his shadow?*
- **THE CHRONICLES of NARNIA – “Shadowlands”**
- **HEBREWS 8:5 “...copy and shadow...”**

*The Shadows and the Substance...*

**1. From REGULATED to RESPONSIVE** \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 1

- *John in God’s Throne Room* – REVELATION 4:2-5, 9-11  
*Responsive Worship → They “\_\_\_\_\_” and “\_\_\_\_\_”*

**2. From FURNITURE to** \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 2-5

- **THE LAMPSTAND** is the \_\_\_\_\_ of **GOD** REVELATION 4:5
- **THE INCENSE** is the \_\_\_\_\_ of **SAINTS** REVELATION 5:8

**3. From LIMITED to COMPLETE** \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 6-8

- **LIMITED to** \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 6, 7a; 1 PETER 2:9
- **LIMITED in** \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 7b, 8; MATTHEW 27:50, 51; HEBREWS 4:16

**4. From CLEANSING HANDS to** \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 9, 10; MATTHEW 15:1-3

- COLOSSIANS 2:16, 17
- *For Father’s Day – “The Purposes of Prayer”*

**LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES**  
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**GETTING STARTED** *“In your opinion...”*

1. In Sunday’s message we worked at showing how the physical aspects of the Jewish Temple related to the Spiritual aspects of relationship with God. Was there anything from the sermon that was helpful, eye-opening, troubling, or confusing?
2. What makes grasping and understanding abstract spiritual truth so difficult?
3. What makes the permanence of the eternal spiritual world more real than the temporary nature of the physical world?
4. What makes the values and truths of the spiritual world so difficult to follow in our earthly life?

**GOING DEEPER** *“According to the Bible...”*

*Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the suggested reading*

- **Read Revelation 4:9-11. The Elders surrounding the Throne of God worshipped Him by “laying” something before Him and “saying” something to Him. What things of value can we “lay” before God and “say” to God when we worship Him?**
- **Read 1 Peter 1:24, 25 How long will God’s word last? How does that make it more “real” than any word from man?**
- **Read Matthew 5:17-20. What does Jesus say is the greatest force in human history that will outlast any other force? Why would it be advantageous to align with that force? How does one align with it?**
- **Read 2 Corinthians 4:16-18. According to Paul, what is wasting away and what is in constant renewal? How can it constantly be renewed?**
- **Read Romans 8:22, 23. What is the last thing that is going to be redeemed and what do we have to do until that time?**
- **Read Romans 8:26-29. When we don’t know how to pray or what to pray for, what can we do in the mean time? According to verse 28 & 29, what will all of His prayers eventually result in for our life?**

**LIVING OUT**

- **What would it take to get you to grow in a lifestyle of continual worship and prayer?**