



Enter In

Lesson One • Hebrews 10:19-21

We Can DRAW NEAR Without Fear in the New Year!

Through the once-for-all sacrifice of King Jesus as our sinless Great High Priest, we can boldly enter the Most Holy Place in the universe with confidence!

But Entering into God's Holy Presence Is SCARY GOOD!

Entering into God's Holy Presence Is Scary Because...

- God is **HOLY** and we're not!
- God must and does **JUDGE** all who enter into His holy presence and fall short of His holiness due to their sinfulness.
Hebrews 10:31, 27-29; 9:27; Revelation 20:11-15; 2Thessalonians 1:7-10

Three Reasons Why Entering into God's Holy Presence Is Scary Good

1. Entering into His Holy Presence Is a Holy **PRIVILEGE**.

"Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place...Let us draw near..." Hebrews 10:19, 22

- Old Covenant believers **NEVER** got to enjoy this holy privilege of entering God's holy presence.
 - 1) Encountering God's holy presence on His holy mountain (Sinai) was **TERRIFYING**. *Hebrews 12:18-21; Exodus 19:16-25; 20:18-21*
 - 2) Entering God's holy presence in His holy place (Tabernacle) was **IMPOSSIBLE**. *Hebrews 9:1-101; Exodus 19:16-25; 20:18-21*
 - 3) Non-human sacrifices and sin-stained priests could never **PREFECT** God's people to the point of being able to enter God's holy presence!
- New Covenant believers are **PERFECTED** by the once-for-all sacrifice of our sinless Great High Priest, King Jesus, in order to enjoy the privilege of entering God's holy presence! *Hebrews 10:11-18*

2. Entering into His Holy Presence Is a Holy **PROVISION**.

"Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, Hebrews 10:19-21

- The holy provision of a spotless human **SACRIFICE** that once-and-for-all satisfied God's wrath.
- The holy provision of a sinless high **PRIEST** that once-and-for-all mediates for us.

3. Entering into His Holy Presence Is a Holy PRIORITY.

"Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place...Let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water." Hebrews 10:19, 22

➤ Only true worshippers possess an INNER CONFIDENCE that they can enter in!

1) An inner confidence to enter with AUTHORITY.

"Therefore, though I have enough confidence in Christ to order you to do what is proper," Philemon 8

2) An inner confidence to APPROACH our holy God once we enter.

"Now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming." 1John 2:28

3) An inner confidence that we will find ACCEPTANCE/APPROVAL/ACQUITTAL before His holy presence! 1John 4:17

"By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world." 1John 4:17

4) An inner confidence that we will receive ASSISTANCE from Him when we ask in our time of need.

"Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do the things that are pleasing in His sight." 1John 3:21-22

"This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him." 1John 5:14-15

"For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:15-16

➤ Only true worshippers will pursue BOLD ACTION to enter in!

1) By *drawing near* by faith! (10:22)

2) By *holding fast* to hope! (10:23)

3) By *staying close* in love! (10:24-25)

4) By *living true* with holiness! (10:26-31)

5) By *pressing on* to the end! (10:32-39)

Entering into God's Holy Presence Is Scary but Good!

It is a holy privilege made possible by a holy provision in order to be a holy priority!

➤ Adjust your perspective to view entering holy presence of God the Father as a holy privilege to enjoy!

➤ Be filled with praise for the holy provision by God the Son that makes all entering in possible!

➤ Resolve by God the Spirit that entering in will be your holy priority for the New Year!