

# Hebrews 9:15-28

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.”

2532 [e]	1223 [e]	3778 [e]	1242 [e]	2537 [e]	3316 [e]	1510 [e]	3704 [e]	2288 [e]	1096 [e]	1519 [e]
Kai	dia	touto	diathēkēs	kainēs	mesitēs	estin	hopōs	thanatou	genomenou	eis
15 Καὶ	διὰ	τοῦτο	διαθήκης	καινῆς	μεσίτης	ἐστίν	ὅπως	θανάτου	γενομένου	εἰς
And	because of	this	of a covenant	new	[the] mediator	He is	so that	death	having taken place	for
Conj	Prep	DPro-ANS	N-GFS	Adj-GFS	N-NMS	V-PIA-3S	Conj	N-GMS	V-APM-GMS	Prep

629 [e]	3588 [e]	1909 [e]	3588 [e]	4413 [e]	1242 [e]	3847 [e]	3588 [e]	1860 [e]	2983 [e]	3588 [e]
apolytrōsin	tōn	epi	tē	prōtē	diathēkē	parabaseōn	tēn	epangelian	labōsin	hoi
ἀπολύτρωσιν	τῶν	ἐπὶ	τῇ	πρώτῃ	διαθήκῃ	παραβάσεων	τὴν	ἐπαγγελίαν	λάβωσιν	οἱ
<u>redemption</u>	of the	under	the	first	covenant	transgressions	the	promise	might receive	those
N-AFS	Art-GFP	Prep	Art-DFS	Adj-DFS	N-DFS	N-GFP	Art-AFS	N-AFS	V-ASA-3P	Art-NMP

2564 [e]	3588 [e]	166 [e]	2817 [e]
keklēmenoi	tēs	aiōniou	kléronomias
κεκλημένοι	, τῆς	αἰωνίου	κληρονομίας .
having been called	of the	eternal	<u>inheritance</u>
V-RPM/P-NMP	Art-GFS	Adj-GFS	N-GFS

1. “those who are called”
2. “promised eternal inheritance”
3. “died as a ransom”
  - a. In the Old Covenant the animal sacrifices “atoned” or “covered” the sins.
  - b. In the New Covenant the death of Christ “redeemed” or “purchased” man from sin.
  - c. Regeneration
  - d. Imputation
  - e. Substitution
  - f. Repentance
  - g. Redemption
  - h. Reconciliation
  - i. Propitiation
  - j. Justification
  - k. Sanctification

9:16 – “For where a will is involved, the death of the one who made it must be established.

3699 [e]	1063 [e]	1242 [e]	2288 [e]	318 [e]	5342 [e]	3588 [e]	1303 [e]
Hopou	gar	diathēkē	thanaton	anankē	pheresthai	tou	diathemenou
16 ὅπου	γὰρ	διαθήκη ,	θάνατον	ἀνάγκη	φέρεισθαι	τοῦ	διαθεμένου .
Where	for	[there is] a will	[the] death	[it is] necessary	to establish	of the [one]	having made [it]
Adv	Conj	N-NFS	N-AMS	N-NFS	V-PNM/P	Art-GMS	V-APM-GMS

### 1. “will”

- a. The Greek word is **diatheke** which means “settlement”
- b. This word is used for “covenant” and “will” in verses 9:15-17.
- c. In verses 9:16, 17 it is used as “a last will and testament” where the owner gives his property to someone who has no claim on the property except for the “will” which is in effect when the owner dies.
- d. The Greek word **diatheke** is used to translate the Hebrew word **berit** which speaks of covenants between:
  - i. men and men
  - ii. God and men.
- e. So the Greek word **diatheke** can be translated to mean:
  - i. a settlement as in a will or a last will and testament
    1. unconditional – one party makes the will or covenant. When the time is right (usually death of the party making the covenant or will) then the second party receives the benefits of the will or covenant
    2. New Testament, New Covenant
  - ii. a covenant or agreement between two parties
    1. conditional – both parties must meet their requirements
    2. Old Testament, Mosaic Covenant, Old Covenant

9:17 – **“For a will takes effect only at death, since it is not in force as long as the one who made it is alive.”**

1242 [e]	1063 [e]	1909 [e]	3498 [e]	949 [e]	1893 [e]	3361 [e]	4218 [e]	2480 [e]	3753 [e]	2198 [e]	3588 [e]	1303 [e]
diathēkē	gar	epi	nekrois	bebaia	epei	mē	pote	ischyei	hote	zē	ho	diathemenos
17 διαθήκη	γὰρ	ἐπὶ	νεκροῖς	βεβαία ,	ἐπεὶ	μή	ποτε	ἰσχύει ,	ὅτε	ζῆ	ὁ	διαθέμενος ,
A will	for	after	death	[is] affirmed	since	not	at the time	it is in force	when	is living	the [one]	having made [it]
N-NFS	Conj	Prep	Adj-DMP	Adj-NFS	Conj	Adv	Adv	V-PIA-3S	Adv	V-PIA-3S	Art-NMS	V-APM-NMS

9:18 – **“Therefore not even the first covenant was inaugurated without bloo**

3606 [e]	3761 [e]	3588 [e]	4413 [e]	5565 [e]	129 [e]	1457 [e]
Hothēn	oude	hē	prōtē	chōris	haimatos	enkekainistai
18 ὅθεν	οὐδὲ	ἡ	πρώτη ,	χωρὶς	αἵματος	ἐνκεκαίνισται .
wherefore	neither	the	first	apart from	blood	has been inaugurated
Conj	Adv	Art-NFS	Adj-NFS	Prep	N-GNS	V-RIM/P-3S

- The first covenant required blood although it was:
  - a. not the blood of the one who made the covenant
  - b. not the blood of the owner

9:19 – “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,

2980 [e]	1063 [e]	3956 [e]	1785 [e]	2596 [e]	3588 [e]	3551 [e]	5259 [e]	3475 [e]	3956 [e]	3588 [e]	2992 [e]
lalētheisēs	gar	pasēs	entolēs	kata	ton	nomon	hypo	Mōuseōs	panti	tō	laō
19 λαληθείσης	γὰρ	πάσης	ἐντολῆς	κατὰ	τὸν	νόμον	ὑπὸ	Μωϋσέως	παντὶ	τῷ	λαῷ ,
Having been spoken	for	of every	commandment	according to	the	law	by	Moses	to all	the	people
V-APP-GFS	Conj	Adj-GFS	N-GFS	Prep	Art-AMS	N-AMS	Prep	N-GMS	Adj-DMS	Art-DMS	N-DMS

2983 [e]	3588 [e]	129 [e]	3588 [e]	3448 [e]	2532 [e]	3588 [e]	5131 [e]	3326 [e]	5204 [e]	2532 [e]	2053 [e]	2847 [e]	2532 [e]
labōn	to	haima	tōn	moschōn	kai	tōn	tragōn	meta	hydatos	kai	erīou	kokkinou	kai
λαβὼν	τὸ	αἷμα	τῶν	μόσχων	καὶ	τῶν	τράγων	, μετὰ	ὑδάτος	, καὶ	ἐρίου	κοκκίνου	, καὶ
having taken	the	blood	-	of calves	and	-	of goats	with	water	and	wool	scarlet	and
V-APA-NMS	Art-ANS	N-ANS	Art-GMP	N-GMP	Conj	Art-GMP	N-GMP	Prep	N-GNS	Conj	N-GNS	Adj-GNS	Conj

5301 [e]	846 [e]	5037 [e]	3588 [e]	975 [e]	2532 [e]	3956 [e]	3588 [e]	2992 [e]	4472 [e]
hyssōrou	auto	te	to	biblion	kai	panta	ton	laon	erantisen
ὑσώπου ,	αὐτό	τε	τὸ	βιβλίον	καὶ	πάντα	τὸν	λαὸν	ἐράντισεν ,
hyssop	itself	both	the	book	and	all	the	people	he sprinkled
N-GFS	PPro-AN3S	Conj	Art-ANS	N-ANS	Conj	Adj-AMS	Art-AMS	N-AMS	V-AIA-3S

9:20 – “saying, “This is the blood of the covenant that God commanded for you.”

3004 [e]	3778 [e]	3588 [e]	129 [e]	3588 [e]	1242 [e]	3739 [e]	1781 [e]	4314 [e]	4771 [e]	3588 [e]	2316 [e]
legōn	Touto	to	haima	tēs	diathēkēs	hēs	eneteilato	pros	hymas	ho	Theos
20 λέγων ,	Τοῦτο	τὸ	αἷμα	τῆς	διαθήκης	, ἧς	ἐνετείλατο	πρὸς	ὑμᾶς	ὁ	Θεός .
saying	This [is]	the	blood	of the	covenant	which	commanded	unto	you	-	God
V-PPA-NMS	DPro-NNS	Art-NNS	N-NNS	Art-GFS	N-GFS	RelPro-GFS	V-AIM-3S	Prep	PPro-A2P	Art-NMS	N-NMS

9:21 – “And in the same way he sprinkled with the blood both the tent and all the vessels used in worship.

2532 [e]	3588 [e]	4633 [e]	1161 [e]	2532 [e]	3956 [e]	3588 [e]	4632 [e]	3588 [e]	3009 [e]	3588 [e]	129 [e]	3668 [e]	4472 [e]
Kai	tēn	skēnēn	de	kai	panta	ta	skeuē	tēs	leitourgias	tō	haimati	homoīos	erantisen
21 Καὶ	τὴν	σκηνὴν	δὲ ,	καὶ	πάντα	τὰ	σκεύη	τῆς	λειτουργίας	τῷ	αἵματι	ὁμοίως	ἐράντισεν .
And	the	tabernacle	then	and	all	the	vessels	of the	ministry	with	blood	likewise	he sprinkled
Conj	Art-AFS	N-AFS	Conj	Conj	Adj-ANP	Art-ANP	N-ANP	Art-GFS	N-GFS	Art-DNS	N-DNS	Adv	V-AIA-3S

9:22 – “Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

2532 [e]	4975 [e]	1722 [e]	129 [e]	3956 [e]	2511 [e]	2596 [e]	3588 [e]	3551 [e]	2532 [e]	5565 [e]	
kai	schedon	en	haimati	panta	katharizetai	kata	ton	nomon	kai	chōris	
<b>22</b> καὶ	σχεδὸν	ἐν	αἵματι	πάντα	καθαρίζεται	,	κατὰ	τὸν	νόμον	, καὶ	χωρὶς
And	almost	with	blood	all things	are purified		according to	the	law	and	apart from
Conj	Adv	Prep	N-DNS	Adj-NNP	V-PIM/P-3S		Prep	Art-AMS	N-AMS	Conj	Prep

130 [e]	3756 [e]	1096 [e]	859 [e]
haimatekchysias	ou	ginetai	aphesis
αἱματεκχυσίας	, οὐ	γίνεται	ἄφεσις .
blood-shedding	not	there is	forgiveness
N-GFS	Adv	V-PIM/P-3S	N-NFS

- Everything was sprinkled with the blood of the covenant
- Recounts Exodus 24:3-8

**9:23 – “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.**

318 [e]	3767 [e]	3588 [e]	3303 [e]	5262 [e]	3588 [e]	1722 [e]	3588 [e]	3772 [e]	3778 [e]
Anankē	oun	ta	men	hypodeigmata	tōn	en	tois	ouranois	toutois
<b>23</b> Ἀνάγκη	οὖν	τὰ	μὲν	ὑποδείγματα	τῶν	ἐν	τοῖς	οὐρανοῖς	, τούτοις
[It was] necessary	then [for]	the	indeed	representations	of the things	in	the	heavens	with these
N-NFS	Conj	Art-ANP	Conj	N-ANP	Art-GNP	Prep	Art-DMP	N-DMP	DPro-DNP

2511 [e]	846 [e]	1161 [e]	3588 [e]	2032 [e]	2909 [e]	2378 [e]	3844 [e]	3778 [e]
katharizesthai	auta	de	ta	epourania	kreittosin	thysiais	para	tautas
καθαρίζεσθαι	, αὐτὰ	δὲ	τὰ	ἐπουράνια	κρείττοσιν	θυσίαις	παρὰ	ταύτας .
to be purified	themselves	however	the	heavenly things	with better	sacrifices	than	these
V-PNM/P	PPro-AN3P	Conj	Art-ANP	Adj-ANP	Adj-DFP-C	N-DFP	Prep	DPro-AFP

1. The copies were purified with the blood of animals sacrificed according to the Old Covenant.
2. But, this purification was again limited to the outward things and did not enter the soul of man.
3. The heavenly things were purified with better things.
  - a. This includes the conscious of man from verse 9:14

**9:24 – “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.**

3756 [e]	1063 [e]	1519 [e]	5499 [e]	1525 [e]	40 [e]	5547 [e]	499 [e]	3588 [e]	228 [e]	235 [e]
ou	gar	eis	cheiropoiēta	eisēlthen	hagia	Christos	antitypa	tōn	alēthinōn	all'
24 οὐ	γὰρ	εἰς	χειροποίητα	εἰσῆλθεν	ἅγια	Χριστός	, ἀντίτυπα	τῶν	ἀληθινῶν	, ἀλλ'
Not	for	into	made by hands	has entered	holy places	Christ	, copies	of the	true [ones]	but
Adv	Conj	Prep	Adj-ANP	V-AIA-3S	Adj-ANP	N-NMS	Adj-ANP	Art-GNP	Adj-GNP	Conj

1519 [e]	846 [e]	3588 [e]	3772 [e]	3568 [e]	1718 [e]	3588 [e]	4383 [e]	3588 [e]	2316 [e]	5228 [e]	1473 [e]
eis	auton	ton	ouranon	nyn	emphanisthēnai	tō	prosōpō	tou	Theou	hyper	hēmōn
εἰς	αὐτὸν	τὸν	οὐρανόν	, νῦν	ἐμφανισθῆναι	τῷ	προσώπῳ	τοῦ	Θεοῦ	ὑπὲρ	ἡμῶν
into	itself	-	heaven	, now	to appear	in the	presence	-	of God	for	us
Prep	PPro-AM3S	Art-AMS	N-AMS	Adv	V-ANP	Art-DNS	N-DNS	Art-GMS	N-GMS	Prep	PPro-G1P

9:25 – “Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own,

3761 [e]	2443 [e]	4178 [e]	4374 [e]	1438 [e]	5618 [e]	3588 [e]	749 [e]	1525 [e]	1519 [e]	3588 [e]	40 [e]
oud'	hina	pollakis	prospheerē	heauton	hōsper	ho	archieurus	eiserchetai	eis	ta	hagia
25 οὐδ'	ἵνα	πολλάκις	προσφέρει	ἑαυτὸν	, ὥσπερ	ὁ	ἀρχιερεὺς	εἰσέρχεται	εἰς	τὰ	ἅγια
nor	that	repeatedly	He should offer	Himself	just as	the	high priest	enters	into	the	holy places
Conj	Conj	Adv	V-PSA-3S	RefPro-AM3S	Adv	Art-NMS	N-NMS	V-PIM/P-3S	Prep	Art-ANP	Adj-ANP

2596 [e]	1763 [e]	1722 [e]	129 [e]	245 [e]
kat'	eniauton	en	haimati	allotriō
κατ'	ἐνιαυτὸν	ἐν	αἵματι	ἄλλοτρίῳ
every	year	with	[the] blood	of another
Prep	N-AMS	Prep	N-DNS	Adj-DNS

9:26 – “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.

1893 [e]	1163 [e]	846 [e]	4178 [e]	3958 [e]	575 [e]	2602 [e]	2889 [e]	3570 [e]	1161 [e]	530 [e]	1909 [e]
Epei	edei	auton	pollakis	pathein	apo	katabolēs	kosmou	nyni	de	hapax	epi
26 Ἐπεὶ	ἔδει	αὐτὸν	πολλάκις	παθεῖν	ἀπὸ	καταβολῆς	κόσμου	. νυνὶ	δὲ	ἅπαξ	ἐπὶ
Otherwise	it was necessary for	Him	repeatedly	to have suffered	from	[the] foundation	of [the] world	Now	however	once	in
Conj	V-IIA-3S	PPro-AM3S	Adv	V-ANA	Prep	N-GFS	N-GMS	Adv	Conj	Adv	Prep

4930 [e]	3588 [e]	165 [e]	1519 [e]	115 [e]	3588 [e]	266 [e]	1223 [e]	3588 [e]	2378 [e]	846 [e]	5319 [e]
synteleia	tōn	aiōnōn	eis	athētēsīn	tēs	hamartias	dia	tēs	thysias	autou	pephanerōtai
συντελεία	τῶν	αἰώνων	, εἰς	ἀθέτησιν	τῆς	ἁμαρτίας	, διὰ	τῆς	θυσίας	αὐτοῦ	πεφανέρωται
[the] consummation	of the	ages	for	[the] putting away	of	sin	by	the	sacrifice	of Himself	He has been revealed
N-DFS	Art-GMP	N-GMP	Prep	N-AFS	Art-GFS	N-GFS	Prep	Art-GFS	N-GFS	PPro-GM3S	V-RIM/P-3S

1. If Christ's death were repeated he would have been doing it for years. Similar to the ancient religions recognition of the seasons.
2. Jesus death:
  - a. appeared once
  - b. for all

- c. at the end of the ages
- d. do away with sin
- e. sacrificed himself

9:27 – “**And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment,**

2532 [e]	2596 [e]	3745 [e]	606 [e]	3588 [e]	444 [e]	530 [e]	599 [e]	3326 [e]	1161 [e]	3778 [e]	2920 [e]
Kai	kath'	hoson	apokeitai	tois	anthrōpois	hapax	apothanein	meta	de	touto	krisis
27 Καὶ	καθ'	ὅσον	ἀπόκειται	τοῖς	ἀνθρώποις	ἅπαξ	ἀποθανεῖν	, μετὰ	δὲ	τοῦτο	κρίσις ,
And	in	as much as	it is apportioned	-	to men	once	to die	after	then	this	[to face] judgment
Conj	Prep	RelPro-ANS	V-PIM/P-3S	Art-DMP	N-DMP	Adv	V-ANA	Prep	Conj	DPro-ANS	N-NFS

1. Man is destined to die once.
2. Christ could not have died more than once.
3. Man is destined to face judgment

9:28 – “**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.**

3779 [e]	2532 [e]	3588 [e]	5547 [e]	530 [e]	4374 [e]	1519 [e]	3588 [e]	4183 [e]	399 [e]	266 [e]
houtōs	kai	ho	Christos	hapax	prosenechtheis	eis	to	pollōn	anenenkein	hamartias
28 οὕτως	καὶ	ὁ	Χριστός ,	ἅπαξ	προσενεχθεὶς	εἰς	τὸ	πολλῶν	ἀνενεγκεῖν	ἁμαρτίας ,
so	also	-	Christ	once	having been offered	in order	-	of many	to bear	[the] sins
Adv	Conj	Art-NMS	N-NMS	Adv	V-APP-NMS	Prep	Art-ANS	Adj-GMP	V-ANA	N-AFP

1537 [e]	1208 [e]	5565 [e]	266 [e]	3708 [e]	3588 [e]	846 [e]	553 [e]	1519 [e]	4991 [e]
ek	deuterou	chōris	hamartias	ophthesetai	tois	auton	apekdechomenois	eis	sōtērian
ἐκ	δευτέρου ,	χωρὶς	ἁμαρτίας ,	ὀφθήσεται	τοῖς	αὐτὸν	ἀπεκδεχομένοις	εἰς	σωτηρίαν .
for	a second time	apart from	sin	will appear	to those	Him	awaiting	for	salvation
Prep	Adj-GMS	Prep	N-GFS	V-FIP-3S	Art-DMP	PPro-AM3S	V-PPM/P-DMP	Prep	N-AFS

1. The “just as” of 9:27 corresponds with the “so” of 9:28
2. “once” is *hapax* meaning “once for all” is used again by the author who is making a big deal about Christ, like all men, also died once but as a sacrifice.
  - a. Isaiah 53:10-12
3. When he appears again:
  - a. Salvation - he will bring salvation for those who are waiting for him.
  - b. Judgment to those who rejected his blood (his sacrifice, his person, his grace)
  - c. No second chance, no ministry of explanation, no grace, no mercy.
4. “Christ, having been offered” is someone such as God offering Christ, not Christ offering himself in this text.
5. “will appear” – *ophthesetai* – future/ind of *horao* meaning “to see”, to ‘perceive”, “to attend”
6. “awaiting” – *apekdechomenois* – means “to await eagerly”. This is a triple compound word meaning “welcome from out of” and “a waiting that decisively puts away all that should remain behind”. This word is made from:
  - a. *apo* meaning “away from”
  - b. *dexomai* meaning “welcome
  - c. *ekdikesis* meaning “out of”

