

# Highlights in Hebrews

The Real and The Shadow (8-10)

## Introduction & Definitions

Ever wonder

- If life was like *The Matrix* where what you thought was real, was an illusion?
- What if our dreams were reality and what we think as real is merely dreaming?
- Is there another world/dimension, invisible to us, but existing with us?

Definitions:

- **Prophecy** = Prediction of a future event.
- **Direct, Verbal Prophecy** = Known as a prediction when said or written.
- **Indirect, Non-verbal Prophecy** = Not declared as prophecy, but later revealed as such by inspiration.
- **Type** = A real, historical person or event that foreshadows something later and greater.
- **Law** = The totality of the revelation to Moses including what we normally separate as Civil, Moral, and Ceremonial Law. Such separation was foreign to Old Covenant believers.

These definitions are not theologically complete. They are working definitions for this study.

Children, students, and beginners often learn a skill with something less than the real thing. After given the real, we **give up** the trainer.

It is similar with the people of God and the Law.

## Summary Verses:

Verse(s)	Summary
8:4-5	The Law (priesthood, temple, etc.) is a copy of the reality in heaven.
8:13	The Law is obsolete.
9:7-9	The Law demonstrated; 1. The way to the Holy of Holies was <b>not</b> open. (See Mat. 27:51) 2. Sacrifices could <b>not</b> clear the conscience.
9:11-12	Christ entered the <u>real</u> Holy of Holies with His own blood.
9:10	The Law doesn't apply in the New World Order.
9:23	Christ purified the real Holy of Holies as Moses purified the tabernacle. (Compare Ex. 24:8 and Mat. 26:28.)
10:1	The Law is a "shadow" of the good things that would follow.
10:14	Jesus' sacrifice made perfect those being made holy.

It's not just the **letter** of the Law that has been superseded, but the **concept** of law as well!

There is no biblical basis for "Church Law".

## **Conclusion (10:19-25)**

### ***Since:***

We can (now) enter (the real) Holy of Holies (10:19-20)

- By His blood
- Through His body

We have a great High Priest (10:21)

### ***Let Us:***

Draw near to God (10:22)

Hold on to our Hope (10:23)

Spur one another on (10:24)

Continue to meet together (10:25)