

What is the meaning of the veil of the temple be torn in two when Jesus died?

During the time of Jesus' life, the temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish religious life. The temple was the place in where animal sacrifices and worship were performed, strictly according to the law that Jehovah gave to Moses, which was faithfully followed by the Jews, although Jesus had never approved such sacrifices.

Hebrews 9: 1-9 tells us that in the temple there was a veil in the form of a curtain separating the place called "most holy", which it was supposed to be the earthly place where God lived, from the rest of the temple.

Thus it was understood that man was separated from God by that veil. Only the high priest was allowed to pass through the veil once a year (Exodus 30:10), in order to make atonement for sins.

However, in Matthew 27:50-51 we read: *"And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. .. "*

What meaning has this veil torn for us today?

First of all, the fact that the veil was torn dramatically at the time of Jesus' death means that the road to the place called *"holy"* was opened to all people of all ages, both Jews and gentiles, without the need of useless sacrifices and other religious rules of Old Testament's law.

This also means that Jesus abolished the absurd worship based in the Judaic religious system, which was not ordained by the true God Father, but by angels, as Stephen revealed to us in Acts 7:53 and Paul confirmed him in Galatians 3:19.

If the temple of Jerusalem remained, it would mean that Jesus had approved of the Old Testament law, with all animal sacrifices, circumcision, Sabbath observance, and all other rituals. As the temple did not remain, it means that a New Covenant was established (Hebrews 8:13).

Hebrews 10: 19-20 says that any unworthy and sinful men from any place of the earth can now freely access God the Father through the new and living way that Jesus opened through the veil, that is, his flesh.

Through his voluntary death, Jesus Christ removed the barriers of accusation and condemnation that prevented man from reaching the true God Father, which means that we can now approach Him confidently, as Hebrews 4: 14-16 says.

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