

The Tabernacle and the Heavens *The Ark and the Sprinkling of Blood*

- I. The Ark of the Covenant corresponds to where God is resident (Ex. 25:22).**
 1. On top of it was the mercy seat—place of satisfaction: propitiatory (Ex. 25:17).
 2. The sacrificial blood was sprinkled on the mercy seat (Lev. 16:13-14).
 3. Blood was required to be ceremonially clean and gain access to God (Heb. 9:22).
 4. The Ark represents the Throne in Heaven (Rev. 11:16, 19).
 5. Christ sits on the Throne (Rev. 3:21).
 6. Christ is now the mercy seat—propitiatory (Rom. 3:25).
- II. The blood of Christ.**
 1. How we gain entrance into the Throne of the Father in Heaven (Heb. 10:18-19).
 2. Some of Christ's blood is in Heaven.
 3. His blood in Heaven is not subject to decay; it is nonperishable (1 Pet. 1:18-19).
 4. It is by Christ's blood that His humanity gained entrance into the Holy of Holies (Heb. 9:11-12, 24).
- III. The sprinkling of Christ's blood.**
 1. The sprinkling of sacrificed animals' blood made the earthly things ceremonially clean (Heb. 9:13).
 2. The sprinkling of Christ's blood makes us ceremonially clean (Heb. 9:14).
 3. Based on the sprinkling of Christ's blood, our hearts and bodies can be ceremonially clean (Heb. 10:22-23; 1 Jn. 1:9).
 4. We are kept holy, set apart, by the sprinkling of Christ's blood (1 Pet. 1:2).
 5. Christ's blood is perpetually on the Propitiatory—Himself (Rev. 19:13).

