Sermon Outline

The Greater Sacrifice

Hebrews 9:23-28

Introduction: Yom Kippor – The Day of Atonement: You Are There!

Context: Therefore (in light of v 15-22) –

the blood, the covenant, the mediator

Purifying the copies and the original (v 23-24)

Cleansing the copies (Leviticus 16:15-16) Cleansing *heaven itself*?

What are the better sacrifices?

Does heaven itself require cleansing? Why?

On our behalf ... to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself (v 24b-26)

The confidence this instills in the believer
The unbeliever finds this unfair, but what is fair ...

Death and Judgment (v 27-28)

Jesus's words about Judgment (Mt 25:31-46)

Two separate eternal destinies

The difficult doctrine of eternal conscious punishment

The basis for final judgment – works (Mt 16:27, Ro 2:6,

Rev 22:12, 2 Co 5:10)

The verdict is based on present life and belief (Jn 5:24)

The day for which we eagerly wait! (v 28)

The final consummation (Heb 11:10,13,15, 13:14, Rom 8:19-25, Gal 5:5, Phil 3:20, Is 40:31)