

Date: September 13, 2026, 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

Title: *"The Three Appearings of Christ,
No. 2: As Interceding Priest..."*

A Study in God's Word Based on Hebrews 9:23-28

The Text: ²³Therefore it was necessary for the copies of the things in the heavens to be cleansed with these [Old Testament sacrifices], but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. ²⁴For Christ did not enter a holy place made with hands, a mere copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; ²⁵nor was it that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the holy place year by year with blood not his own. ²⁶Otherwise, He would have needed to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now once at the consummation of the ages He has been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. ²⁷And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment, ²⁸so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, shall appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him. (NASV)

The Exposition:

I. The ACCOMPLISHMENT of the First Appearing

(a review of last week's message) — v. 25-26

Sermon Notes (Cont'd)

II. The MISSION of the Second Appearing — v. 26c

As Interceding Priest, Christ appears in the presence of God for us – v. 24. Just what does He do in this role?

A. He REPRESENTS our KIND

(1 Tim. 2:5-6; Heb. 2:14-18)

B. He PLEADS our CAUSE

(Rom. 8:33-34; 1 John 2:1-2)

C. He PRESENTS our NEED

(Heb. 7:25-26; 4:14-16)