

Rev. Samuel Doyle: It was Necessary

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Rev. Samuel Doyle, pastor of [Greater New Light Missionary Baptist Church](#) in Waco, described Palm Sunday as a joyous and a heavy day. Jesus entered Jerusalem in joy at the beginning of the week, knowing what he would do at the end of the week. The whole week is joyous and heavy.

Doyle focused on the word “necessary,” saying it is a sobering word. “Necessary” describes what just has to be done. It also describes Jesus’ view of his life, that he “must be about [his] Father’s business.”

The message of Hebrews 8 is Jesus’ death on the cross mediates God’s covenant promises of transformation, relationship and forgiveness.

Hebrews 9 states the high priest’s offering of blood for the people’s sin ultimately was insufficient, but Jesus’ once-for-all sacrifice goes beyond the Most Holy Place in the temple to the actual Most Holy Place—heaven. Jesus’ death was necessary to accomplish this ultimate work.

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