

The Meaning of a Torn Veil
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Introductory Thoughts

One of the most overlooked miracles at the crucifixion is the tearing of the Temple veil.

We often focus on the darkness, the earthquake, and Jesus' final cry—but Scripture pauses to highlight something deeply symbolic: the veil was torn from top to bottom.

To understand the meaning of this miracle, we must understand the veil itself.

But when Jesus died, God tore that veil apart.

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The veil represented separation.

The writer of Hebrews says we now have boldness to enter the Holiest.

Why? Because atonement is complete.

Jesus paid it all.

The torn veil declares: It is finished.

***The Torn Veil Means Complete Atonement Has
Been Made - Hebrews 10:19–20***

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When the veil tore, Jesus our High Priest entered the true Most Holy Place in heaven.

He did not enter for Himself.

Right now, Jesus stands in the presence of God as our Mediator, our Advocate, our Intercessor.

The torn veil means we have a representative in heaven who understands us, loves us, and speaks for us.

***The Torn Veil Means Christ Entered God's Presence
for Us - Hebrews 9:12 - Hebrews 9:24***

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Priests offered sacrifices, carried prayers, and represented the people.

But when Jesus became our High Priest, the old priesthood was fulfilled and replaced.

Jesus is our High Priest forever.

The torn veil declares - You don't need a priest—because you have Jesus.

The Torn Veil Means the Human Priesthood Is No Longer Necessary - Hebrews 7:12

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The torn veil is an invitation.

Through Christ, we have access.

Hebrews 4:16 says we can come boldly to the throne of grace.

The torn veil declares - Come in. The way is open.

The Torn Veil Means Believers Can Approach God Freely - Romans 5:2

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Closing Thoughts

When Jesus died, God tore the veil to show the world that the old system was finished and a new way had begun.

Let us draw near to God every day—boldly, confidently, and gratefully—because Jesus made the way.