

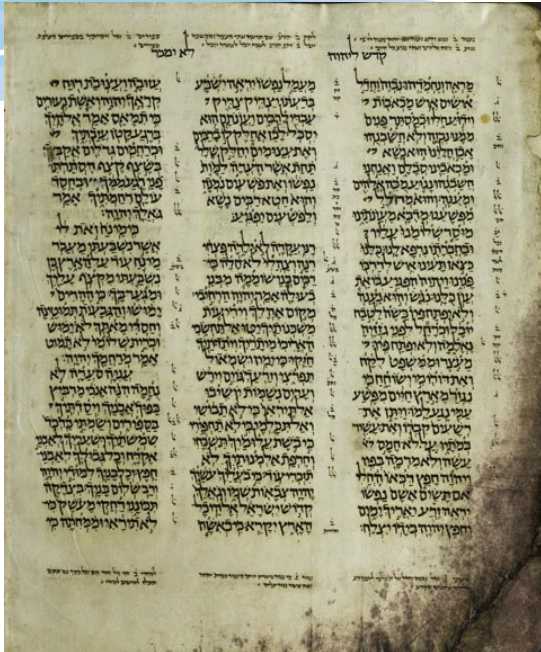
forgiveness. By accepting the substitutionary death of Yeshua for one's sins, one is not continually reminded of those sins but receives a complete cleansing.

Hebrews 10:10-14 repeats some of these points and makes a new one:

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This passage again points out how the high priest had to sacrifice day in and day out, and his work was never done. The high priest is viewed as standing to indicate this unfinished ministry, but Yeshua, who offered Himself as a sacrifice once and for all, is viewed as sitting at the right hand of God, thus showing that His work is complete.

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Furthermore, the animal sacrifices provided only a temporary atonement; they needed to be repeated yearly. They never permanently took away sins. However, those who accept the sacrifice of Yeshua are perfected forever; their sins are permanently removed.

In summary, the New Testament provides two answers to the question of why the Messiah had to die:

1. He had to die to fulfill all Old Testament prophecies and requirements.
2. He had to die to bring in a permanent atonement rather than a temporary one.

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The teaching of both the Old and New Testaments is that the means of redemption was by blood, and the permanent blood sacrifice was to be the Messiah Himself. That is why the Messiah *had to die* according to the Old Testament. That is why Jesus *did die* according to the New Testament. Who killed Yeshua was never the issue as far as the New Testament was concerned, for the Messiah had to die. It only became an issue years later because of anti-Semites seeking excuses to persecute the Jews. The only issue of the New Testament itself is whether one will accept the substitutionary sacrifice of Yeshua for oneself or not.



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