Spiritual Tourists

Hebrews 9.1-10

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Introduction:

- There is a big difference between visiting somewhere and living there
- At this point of the sermon, the writer of Hebrews continues to build his argument about the <u>cruciality</u> of spiritual <u>fidelity</u> and uncompromised loyalty to Jesus

Implications: We know that God Wants a relationship with us because...

- 1. He made the way
 - Leviticus opens with Moses outside; Numbers opens with Moses inside.
 - John 14.6; cf. 11.25
- 2. He provided the guide
 - the priesthood was established for mediation between man and God
 - Jesus, a priest like Melchizedek: appointed by God, eternal, perfect
 - Daniel 3.17
- 3. He established the requirement
 - The rituals and elements of the tabernacle remind us that there is a requirement to stand before God...
 - o Psalm 24.3-4
 - Hebrews 12.14

The problem is...

- There are still people, even Christians who want to visit, pass by, maybe go on a ride as it were, but they don't want to enter in
- God has <u>made</u> the way, <u>provided</u> the guide, <u>qualified</u> us to be residents in His kingdom

Amen.