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<p>Because of Adam, we are all sinners, and we all commit sin</p>	<p>(Romans 3:23) For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;</p>	<p>We don't need sacrifices any more!</p>	
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