There had to be a better covenant

- God's plan was in God's mind before creation (1Pe 1:20-21).
- Christ's death as an atonement for sin was the crux of God's purpose (Act 2:23-24).
- Reason dictates a change of covenants would occur at this event (Heb 7:22-27 cf v.12).
- The old covenant was a preparation for the coming of Christ (Gal 3:24-25).
- The old covenant (the law of Moses) did not have the means to take away sin (Heb 10:3-4).

There had to be a fuller freedom to live by faith

- It's always been true that "The just shall live by faith" (Hab 2:4).
- People were living by faith before the old covenant was in force (Heb 11:4-11).
- The old covenant law did not do much to help people live by faith (Gal 3:10-14).
- There was need of a covenant that could be written in the heart (Jer 31:31-33).

There had to be a way into the true tabernacle

- It's always been possible to pray personally to God.
- Hannah (Samuel's mother) did this (1Sm 1:1-18).
- But earthly tabernacle kept God at a distance (Heb 9:2-3,11).
- A new covenant was needed to provide a veil for entrance into the most holy place, instead of a veil that barred it (Heb10:19-20).

There had to be equal rights for all nations to come to God

- It's always been possible for Gentiles to be converted to Judaism (Ruth 1:16, Mt 23:15, Acts 2:10b).
- But the "fullness of the Gentiles" had to come (Rom 11:25, Gal 3:14).
- Believers had to be "all one in Christ Jesus" without distinction (Gal 3:26-29).
- There had to be "One flock with one Shepherd" (Jhr 10:16).

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