## The Sin Offering Leviticus 4:1-5:13

## Main Point:

Receive the forgiveness of your sins through Jesus Christ by confessing them to the LORD in repentance.

- 1. Everybody has a problem with sin, including those in the church.
- 2. Sin makes you guilty before God whether you meant to do it or not.
- 3. Some sins are worse than others depending on who committed it.
- 4. But there is forgiveness for sin through the priestly atonement of Jesus Christ.
- 5. Receive this forgiveness by confessing your sins to the LORD in repentance.

**Romans 3:23** 23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, (NKJV) **Allan Moseley** "An unintentional sin is not premeditated or planned; it's a sin we ... wander into - because of either ignorance or negligence."

**Sinclair Ferguson** "The word of God gets under our skin, probes our failures, and brings to the surface our sin."

**John Currid** "Sins committed through accident or ignorance still result in condemnation ..."

**John 19:11** 11 Jesus answered, "You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above. Therefore the one who delivered Me to you has the greater sin." (NKJV)

**Kenneth Mathews** "An important aspect of the [sin] offering was the recognition that some inadvertent sins were more damaging than others. This is because mistakes committed by some persons can have far-reaching repercussions for others ..."

**WLC 150** Q. Are all transgressions of the law of God equally heinous in themselves, and in the sight of God? A. All transgressions of the law of God are not equally heinous; but some sins in themselves, and by reason of several aggravations, are more heinous in the sight of God than others.

**Kenneth Mathews** "One's economic or social position does not advantage or disadvantage a person in receiving God's forgiveness ..."

**2 Corinthians 5:21** 21 For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (NKJV)

**Hebrews 9:12** 12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. (NKJV) **Hebrews 13:11-12** 11 For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. 12 Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. (NKJV)

**1 John 4:10** 10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins. (NKJV)

**Allen Ross** "To acknowledge sin means to say what is right about the matter or to agree with God's assessment of the sin."

**1 John 1:9** 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (NKJV)

**WSC 87** Q. What is repentance unto life? A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

**Psalm 51:17** 17 The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart—These, O God, You will not despise. (NKJV)

**Allan Moseley** "Depending on the hearts of the worshipers, the symbols could have represented reality, or they could have given merely the appearance of reconciling a person to God. Only God forgives sin, and He forgives on the basis of the condition of our hearts and His merciful response."

**Gordon Wenham** "For a Christian the animal offering is no longer necessary, since Christ's death has brought purification, but confession is, if fellowship with God is to be reestablished."