

The Grain Offering, Part 2

Leviticus 6:14-23

Main Point:

For the sake of the LORD's work, pursue greater dedication to Him and encourage your leaders to do the same.

1. The church should be dedicated to the LORD.
2. The church's leaders should be dedicated to the LORD.
3. Together this dedication contributes to the LORD's work.
4. Pursue greater dedication to the LORD and encourage your leaders to do the same.

2 Samuel 8:2 2 Then he defeated Moab. Forcing them down to the ground, he measured them off with a line. With two lines he measured off those to be put to death, and with one full line those to be kept alive. So the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought tribute. (NKJV)

Allen Ross "The ... [grain] offering represented the worshiper's loyal devotion and dedication to the LORD; it was a public expression of commitment."

Leviticus 2:13 13 And every offering of your grain offering you shall season with salt; you shall not allow the salt of the covenant of your God to be lacking from your grain offering. With all your offerings you shall offer salt. (NKJV)

John Currid "One of the principal reasons for the ... [grain] offering is to demonstrate a person's dedication to the service of God. Here the high priest is to restate his consecration to that service twice a day as part of the sacrificial system of Israel."

Allen Ross "If he was going to exhort people to make the ... [grain] offering and if he was going to lead them in the ritual, he had to make this offering himself."

1 Timothy 4:12 12 Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. (NKJV)

1 Peter 5:1-3 1 The elders who are among you I exhort ... 2 Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; 3 nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 9:13-14 13 Do you not know that those who minister the holy things eat *of the things* of the temple, and those who serve at the altar partake of *the offerings* of the altar? 14 Even so the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should live from the gospel. (NKJV)

Kenneth Mathews "The Leviticus instruction ensured that the priests would receive the major portion of the gifts so they could give their full attention to the work of the Lord."