SERMON OUTLINE

In Leviticus 1:1-17 we are shown God's gracious provision for His people to be accepted into His presence as He speaks (v. 1) of 3 types of burnt offerings which make atonement.

- I. Atonement can be made by offering a burnt offering of cattle from one's herd (vs. 2-9).
 - A. The role of the worshiper:
 - 1. Bring a male without blemish (vs. 2-3).
 - 2. Identify with the animal as one's substitute (v. 4).
 - 3. Kill and slaughter the animal before the LORD (vs. 5a, 6).
 - B. The role of the priests:
 - 1. Capture the blood and throw it on the sides of the altar (v. 5b).
 - 2. Build the fire (v. 7).
 - 3. Properly offer the animal (vs. 8-9).
- II. Atonement can be made by offering a burnt offering of a sheep or goat from one's flock (vs. 3-13).
- III. Atonement can be made by offering a burnt offering of a turtledoves or pigeons (vs. 14-17).

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

In preparation for Sunday, May 19, 2019

Memory Passage: Leviticus 1:3

DAY 1 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

- (a) **Read Lev. 1:1-17**. What were the 3 most important things you learned last week from your overview of Leviticus?
- (b) Why does the LORD call Moses "from the tent of meeting" (cf. Ex. 40:34-38)?
- (c) What does the tent of meeting convey about God's relationship with His people?
- (d) What is important about the phrase "speak to the people of Israel?"

DAY 2 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

- (a) **Read Lev. 1:1-17**. Why must the burnt offering be "without blemish" (v. 3)?
- (b) What is the purpose of the burnt offering (v, 3) and how is this purpose accomplished (v, 4)?
- (c) For what purpose must the one making the offering "lay his hand on the head" of the animal?
- (d) Why must the one making the offering kill & butcher it, but the priests do the rest of the work?

DAY 3 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) Read Lev. 1:1-17. Why must the blood be thrown "against the sides of the altar" and why is the location of the altar, 'at the entrance of the tent of meeting," important?

(b) What 3 types of burnt offerings can be offered according to chapter 1, and are there any appreciable differences in the procedures for each?

(c) Why are 3 types of varying value allowed, and how can they possibly all achieve the same level atonement and acceptance before God and be received as equally pleasing aromas by Him?

(d) Why are certain parts of the offering to be washed or cast aside before burning?

DAY 4 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) **Read Lev. 1:1-17**. This offering requires the complete submission of the sacrifice (killed, slaughtered, and completely consumed). For what does the animal substitute (vs. 4-5), and what does the complete and costly nature of the sacrifice represent about the offerer's heart?

(b) If "it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins" (Heb. 10:4) then how did the blood of the burnt offering provide atonement and purification for the Israelite's sin?

(c) What was pleasing to God about the aroma, and why was it important that He be pleased?

(d) If salvation is by grace through faith, what faith was exhibited by the offerer that God received with pleasure?

DAY 5 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) Read Lev. 1:1-17, Rom. 3:25, 12:1, Eph. 5:2, 27, Heb. 10:1-10, 1Pet. 1:19, 2:22. Explain how Christ is the fulfillment of all that is required in the burnt offering, and why He is a better offering than animals.

(b) How does one become part of the bride Christ will present without spot or blemish, and how is this process different from OT Israelites and how is it the same? What responsibilities come with being presented and accepted by Christ as this type of offering?

(c) What implications does Leviticus 1:1-17 present to you for your own sacrificial worship, both personal and corporate, since you have access to the living God through the blood of the perfect, once-for-all sacrifice of Christ?

(d) In what ways to the warnings in Mal. 1:6-14 apply to you, one who has gained access to God by faith in the substitutionary work of Christ as you enter into personal and corporate worship?

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