

You Must Be Born Again!

The Sin Offering

Leviticus 4:1-13; 6:24-30;

2 Corinthians 5:21

Romans 7:7-25

John 3:1-15



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God's Eternal Purpose

Be Holy for I Am Holy (1 Peter 1:13-16)

God Speaks (Leviticus 4:1)

Christ in the Five Offerings

- Why so many offerings?

The Difference between the Sin and the Trespass Offering

- ★ God makes a difference! Therefore, we make a difference!
- Trespass Offering - OUR SINS - what we do.
 - EVERY sin must be dealt with in order to satisfy God's justice.
 - CHRIST offers Himself as our SURETY - our sins.
- Sin offering - OUR SIN NATURE - who we are - Romans 7:14-25
 - (Romans 7:18, 21, 23; **6:14**) The evil ("sin") in ME!
 - (Romans 7:24-25) O wretched man that I AM - WHO will deliver me!
 - Before we are born-again (from above) the only thing we can do is sin because it is our nature. (Genesis 6:5; 8:21)
 - BY NATURE all are born "children of wrath". (Ephesians 2:3; Psalm 51:5; Romans 5:12; Galatians 3:13)
 - CHRIST offers Himself as our SUBSTITUTE - our person.
 - He took upon Himself our CURSE. (Galatians 3:13)

The Sin Offerings (Leviticus 4:1-13)

- DETAILS - DETAILS - DETAILS
- ANY sin against the commandments of the LORD.

- “unintentional sin” - Numbers 15:22-29
 - ★ INTENTIONAL SIN: Numbers 15:30-31
 - There was **NO OFFERING** for intentional sin. See Psalm 51:16-17.
- NO SPECIFIC SINS MENTIONED - only the PERSONS.
- Specific for who you were! PRIEST, CONGREGATION, RULER, or COMMON PEOPLE.
- Different offerings: Young bull, male goat, female goat, female lamb.
- ALL WITHOUT BLEMISH, **yet rejected**.
- The Sprinkling of the blood - DETAILS.
 - (v. 6) Seven times before the LORD in front of the veil.
 - We have **ACCESS** through His blood. (Eph 2:13, 18; Rom 5:2)
 - (v. 7) Some on the horns of the Altar of Incense before the LORD.
 - He makes intercession based on His blood. (Heb 7:25; Rom 8:)
 - (v. 7) Pour the rest at the base of Altar of burnt offering.
 - Justified/Forgiven by the blood. (Romans 3:25; 5:9; Eph 1:7)
- The fat.
- Burned OUTSIDE the camp.

Who We Are: Dead Men (Ephesians 2:1-5; John 3:1-8)

- Each of us are born in the image of ADAM - a sinner. (Genesis 5:1-3)
- We are born with God’s curse upon us because we *all* sinned with Adam. (Romans 5:12; Galatians 3:13)
 - ★ “there is NO MAN who does not sin” (1 Kings 8:46)
- **Our nature is only to sin.** (Genesis 6:5; 8:21)
 - ★ (Genesis 6:5) God’s evaluation of man –
 - Our wickedness is GREAT.
 - EVERY INTENT of the THOUGHTS of our HEARTS (mind, emotions, and wills) is ONLY EVIL CONTINUALLY.
 - We are ADDICTED to SIN.
- Man is born DEAD. (Romans 5:12; Ephesians 2:1, 5; Ezek 36:26)
- Each of us are born “**children of wrath**” because we are born “**condemned already**” and God’s wrath abides on us before we are born again. (Psalm 51:; Ephesians 2:3; John 3:18, 36; 1 John 5:19)
- We are born “children of the Devil”. (John 8:44; Ephesians 2:2; 1 John 3:10)
- ✗ We were born with **DEPRAVED MINDS** (understanding) that were **DARKENED** and without any ability to **KNOW** God. (Ephesians 4:18; 1 Cor 2:14; Romans 3:11; 2 Cor 4:4)
- ✗ We were born with twisted **DEPRAVED EMOTIONS** in that we love **EVERYTHING else above God.** (1 John 2:15-17; Jam 4:4; Matt 22:37; Luke 14:26)
 - We are born with **no ability or desire to LOVE GOD supremely!**
 - We followed “the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the **desires** of the flesh and of the mind”. (Ephesians 2:3; 1 John 2:15-16)

- ✘ We were born with **DEPRAVED WILLS** in **BONDAGE** to sin, the world, and Satan. (Eph 2:2-3; Hebrews 2:15; Romans 8:7-8; 6:20; John 8:34) – **WE ARE NOT FREE!** (See John 8:31-32, 36)
 - We are born **slaves of Satan!** (1 John 5:19; Eph 2:2; 1 John 3:10; Romans 6:16)
 - We are born **slaves of sin.** (Romans 6:6. 17, 19, 20)
- ✘ We are born **SINNERS, REBELS, TRAITORS** against **GOD!** (1 John 3:4; Psalm 51:5; 58:3)
- ✘ We are born **IN DEBT** and **ADD** to that DEBT with EVERY SIN **we** commit! (1 Kings 8:46; Eccl 7:20; Matt 18:21-32; Rom 6:23a)
- ✘ We were born **DEAD – NOT WEAK – NOT SICK – BUT DEAD!** (Ephesians 2:1, 5; Colossians 2:13; Ezekiel 36:26-27)
 - ★ A **DEAD** man has no **desire to** and **CANNOT**:
 - ① **See** Christ. (John 3:3; 12:40; Deut 29:4; Jer 5:21; Matthew 16:17; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Hebrews 2:9; 1 John 2:11)
 - ② **Hear** the Word of God. (Romans 10:17; **John 8:43, 47**; 6:45-46; 10:27-28)
 - ③ **Come** to Christ. (Matthew 11:28-30; John 6:44; **6:37**; 7:37)
 - ④ **Confess** “Jesus is Lord”. (Romans 10:9; Matthew 10:32-33)
 - ⑤ **Understand** the things of God. (1 Corinthians 2:14)
 - ⑥ **Be profitable to God.** (Romans 3:12; Matthew 25:30)
 - ⑦ **Do** anything good. (Romans 8:7-8; 3:12)
 - ⑧ **Do** anything to please God. (Heb 11:6; Rom 8:7-8; Eph 2:8-9)
 - ⑨ **Repent or Believe!** (John 3:16; Mark 1:14-15)
 - ⑩ **Follow Christ.** (Luke 9:23; John 10:27-28)
- ✘ We are born with **NO ABILITY to save ourselves!** (Romans 5:6)
- ★ Christ taught that it was **IMPOSSIBLE** for man to do **ANYTHING** to save him/herself. (Luke 18:25-27; Jer 2:22; 13:23)
- ★ What is **NEEDED**?
 - **MAN IS IN NEED OF LIFE BECAUSE HE IS DEAD!** (Ephesians 2:1)
 - **RE-CREATION** BECAUSE HE HAS A HEART OF STONE AND A NATURE THAT IS PURE EVIL! (Genesis 6:5; 8:21)
 - **GOD's RIGHTEOUSNESS** (Matthew 5:48; Philippians 3:8-9)
 - **COMPLETE PARDON** for his sins. (Psalm 25:11; Isaiah 55:7; 43:25; Jeremiah 33:8)

Christ FULFILLS the Sin Offering (2 Corinthians 5:21)

- Christ came in the “likeness of sinful flesh”. (Romans 8:3; Philippians 2:7)
- Christ came as our UNBLEMISHED Lamb - without ANY sin. MEDITATE! (1 Peter 1:19-20) Tried by man, God and the Devil and found to be without sin.
- UNBLEMISHED yet CURSED by GOD!!!!!!! (**MEDITATE!**) One act, one thought, one word, one look would disqualify Christ as our Substitute! **YET, it pleased God to crucify Him!** (Isaiah 53:10)

- Christ became the CURSE *for us!* (Galatians 3:13; Deut 21:22-23)
- Christ was cast out of JERUSALEM - the city of God! (Hebrews 13:11-13)
- God's GIFT to man through JESUS CHRIST our LORD is LIFE! (Romans 6:23)
THE WORK OF GOD THROUGH HIS SON - FULL STOP!
★ Born from above by the will of God. (John 1:13; 3:7; James 1:18)
★ A new heart (mind, emotions, will). (Ezekiel 36:26-27)
★ Partakers of the divine nature - a new nature. (2 Peter 1:4)
★ New man! Re-created by God. (Ephesians 4:23-24)
- The fat: Though He was made sin He sinned not in Himself. The fat, the best portion, was still offered up *to God!* (1 John 3:5; Hebrews 4:15)

Learning from the Sin Offering

- How thankful OUGHT we be! God made Christ SIN for us. (2 Cor 5:21)
- What OUGHT we do in reaction to Christ offering Himself as SIN?
① **LIVE our NEW LIFE!** (Romans 6:23) NOW we are obligated to . . .
➤ NOW, only AFTER the gift of life can we see, hear, confess, understand, be profitable to God, do good, please God, repent, **believe**, and follow Christ!!!!
★ **LIVE the RE-CREATION** - a new birth/nature/heart! (Ezekiel 36:25-26; John 3:1-8; Galatians 6:15; Ephesians 2:10)
- ② **PRACTICE RIGHTEOUSNESS** (Matthew 5:48; Romans 5:17-21; Isaiah 61:10; Luke 15:22; Isaiah 26:2; 1 John 3:1-10)
- ③ **REJOICE in a COMPLETE PARDON** for his sins. (Psalm 25:11; Isaiah 55:7; 43:25 Jeremiah 33:8) (*Next week's sermon!*)
- If we have been born-again, we have a **new nature**. This nature determines:
 - ① **OUR APPETITE:** Contrast 2 Peter 2:22 with Luke 4:4; John 6:43-58
 - ② **OUR BEHAVIOR:** Practice righteousness and not sin. (1 John 3:1-10)
 - ③ **OUR ENVIRONMENT:** NOT THE WORLD BUT the BODY of CHRIST, the CHURCH on the NARROW and DIFFICULT WAY. (Matt 7:13-14; John 15:19; Philippians 3:20-21; Hebrews 11:13-16)
 - ④ **OUR ASSOCIATION:** Fellow Christians. (Psalm 1:1; Proverb 13:20; 1 Corinthians 15:33)
- Remember that as priests of God we come under greater condemnation. (Luke 12:48; 1 Peter 2:5, 9; Revelation 1:6; 5:10)
- **FAITH** — apprehends the work of Christ and hopes in IT and IT alone.
- **GRACE** – teaches us to **live** what we say we are. (Titus 2:11-14)
- **How OUGHT we live DAILY?**
➤ We are **OBLIGATED** to live **JUST AS** Christ lived. (1 John 1:6-7; 2:6; Matthew 11:29; John 13:15, 34-35; 1 Corinthians 11:1; 1 Peter 2:21; John 10:27-28; Eph 4:32; Col 3:13)

YOU MUST BE BORN-AGAIN (from above)!

(John 3:3)