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Leviticus

- 1-4 Moses—Burning Bush, “Take off your shoes”
- 5-11 Moses—Pharaoh, “Let my people go!”
- 12-13 Moses—First Passover, “When I see
- 1 Luke—Angel Gabriel to Mary—the Messiah
- 14-15 Moses—Parting of Red Sea
- 16-19 Moses—Manna from Heaven
- 20 Moses—Ten Commandments
- 21-24 Moses—Covenant Laws
- 25-39 Moses—Golden Calf, Moses' Prayer
2nd set of Two Tablets & Tabernacle
- 40 Moses—Set up the Tabernacle

Leviticus

1-10 Laws of Sacrifice & Lord Sends
Fire Consumes Aaron's Sons

11-16 Laws of Purity & Day of Atonement
17-27 If You Follow My Statutes

Leviticus 10:3

Among those who approach me,
I will be proven **HOLY**
in the sight of all the people
I will be **HONORED**



Burnt Offering



Alternate Title

The Perfect Male

*Hah!
No such
Creature!*

And all the ladies said?

Where?

Key Verses – Leviticus 10:3

Moses then said to Aaron, "... Lord spoke ..."

NIV "Among those who approach me,
I will be proven holy; in the sight of
all the people I will be honored."

KJV "I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me,
and before all the people I will be glorified."

HCSB "I will show My holiness to those who are near
Me, and I will reveal My glory
before all the people."



**Israel STILL
at the foot of
Mt. Sinai**

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**Jebel Musa
Mt. Horeb**

*Horeb often refers to
whole mountain range*

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Leviticus

- ✓ Book of Levites ... written in a MONTH
- ✓ Hebrew Rabbis: *Law of the Priests*
and
Law-book of Sacrificial Offerings
- ✓ Hebrew title 1st word “and called”
root translated “called” 301x in O.T.
- ✓ Book with MOST words spoken by
God to Moses—nearly whole book!
- ✓ Easton’s Bible Dictionary said,
It contains in its complicated
ceremonial the gospel of the
grace of God



Tabernacle of God in the Wilderness

GRACE =
Unmerited Favor
God shows us RITUALS,
Ceremonies to remain
in HIS favor
in HIS Grace

Leviticus

Completes the giving of Law at Sinai

- ✓ **Commenced at Exodus 20**
- ✓ **Laws on relation of Israel to God**
- ✓ **Principles of covenant fellowship with the Lord**
- ✓ **Directions for the sanctification of the covenant people**

O.T. experts Keil & Delitzsch ... said book might justly be described as the

“spiritual statute-book of Israel as the congregation of Jehovah.”



Tabernacle of God in the Wilderness



Leviticus

Very Simple Outline

1. God and People 1-16

- A. Sacrifices 1-7
- B. Aaron & Priesthood 8-10
- C. Cleanliness 11-16

2. People in Society 17-27

- A. Rules for Daily Life 17-25
- B. Covenant Confirmation 26
- C. Vows 27

Notice: 1. Love God
2. Love Others



Matthew 22:37-40

37 Jesus replied: “ ‘**LOVE** the Lord your God with all your heart & with all your soul & with all your mind.’

38 This is the **FIRST & GREATEST COMMANDMENT.**

39 And the second is like it: ‘**LOVE** your neighbor as yourself.’^d

40 All the Law & Prophets hang on these **TWO COMMANDMENTS**

Leviticus and **LAWS**

You are
HERE



Outline by
Keil &
Delitzsch

Next Two
Sections
Next Two
Weeks

I. Laws Covenant Fellowship Between Lord & Israel 1-16

A. Laws of Sacrifice	1-7
B. Induction of Aaron & Sons into Priesthood	8-10
C. Laws Relating to Clean and Unclean Animals	11
D. Laws of Purification	12-15
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I. Laws Covenant Fellowship Between Lord & Israel 1-16

A. Laws of Sacrifice 1-7

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| 1. Burnt Offering – Burn ALL | 1 |
| 2. Grain Offering – Eat part, Burn Rest | 2 |
| 3. Fellowship Offering – Eat part, Burn Rest | 3 |
| 4. Sin Offering – Eat part, Burn Rest | 4:1–5:13 |
| 5. Guilt Offering – Eat part, Burn Rest | 5:14–6:7 |
| 6. <i>Additional Offering Regs</i> | 6:8–7:38 |

Also hear of
❖ Peace
❖ Ordination
❖ Trespass
OFFERINGS

B. Induction of Aaron & Sons into Priesthood 8-10

Chaps 8-9, Aaron & Sons sanctified into a Priesthood

Chap 9 they perform Burnt, Grain, & Fellowship Offering

9:23 Moses, Aaron & Sons go into tent of meeting & come OUT

Glory of the Lord appeared to ALL the people

*Chap 10 – Aaron's sons Nadab & Abihu give **UNAUTHORIZED FIRE***

FIRE comes out from presence of Lord & consumes them

One difficulty hits us hard
Relevance ... what is the relevant today
Leviticus ... so detailed

So many offerings

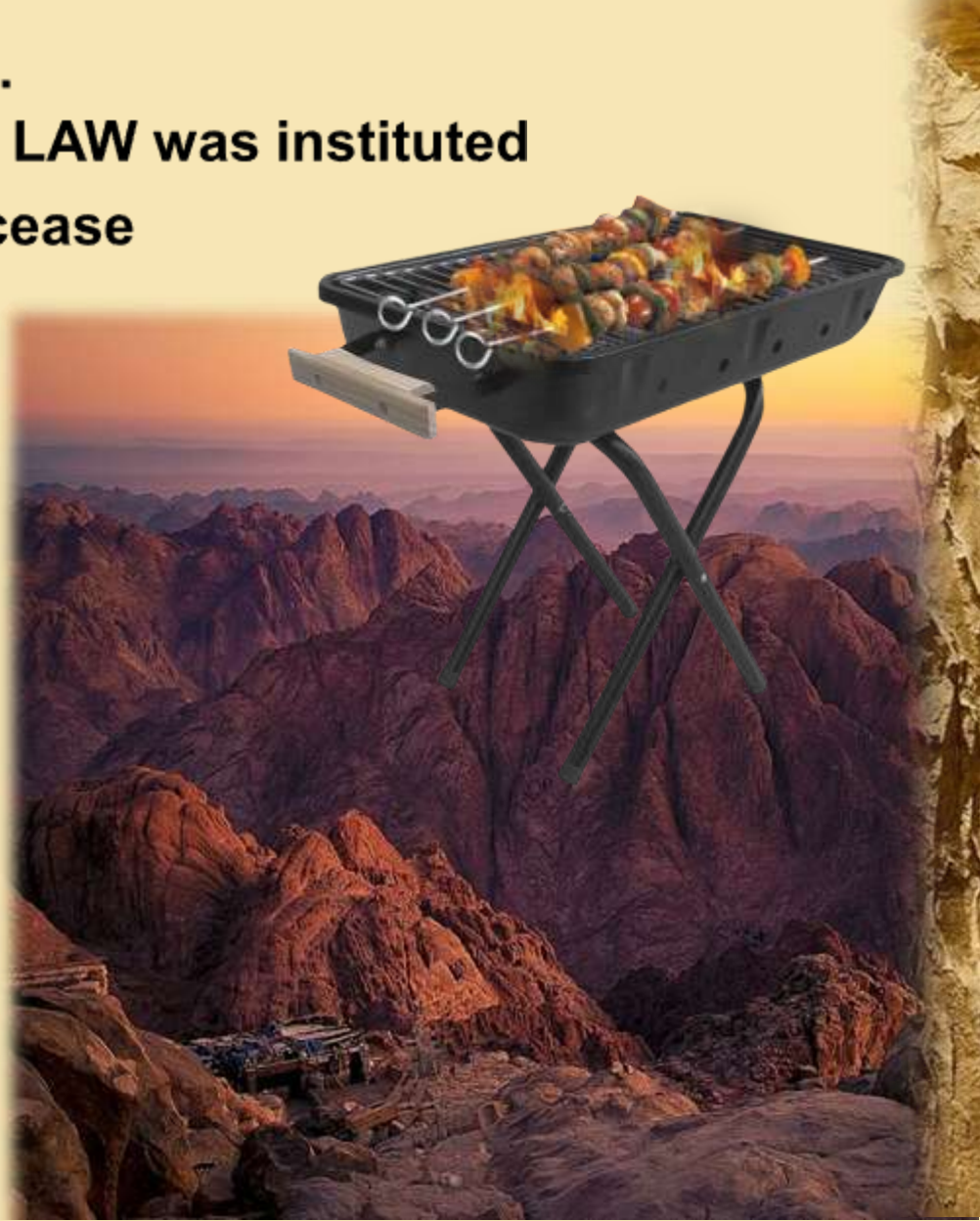
Throughout Israel's history, observed
in various places & degrees
Yet we find Israel does not follow them
Until AFTER the Exile ... to
the time of Christ ...

Where for us, ALL the sacrifices
were completed in Christ
A.D. 70, Romans destroyed Jerusalem
THEN ... the sacrifices
ended for the Jews too



Depending on the date of the Exodus
Means 3,400-3,200 years ago since their LAW was instituted
2,000 years ago since their obligations cease
2,000 yrs - no one sacrifices animals
Today ... ANY animal sacrifice is odd
Except when it is for a Bar-b-que
There are very few verses in all the
Book of *Leviticus* that STRIKE us
Scholars link the whole to Christ
With Christ's sacrifice complete ...
Where is the *USE* for *Leviticus*

TODAY?



Offer a MALE from herd ...

1:3 “ ‘If the offering is a burnt offering
from the herd, you are to offer
a MALE without defect.

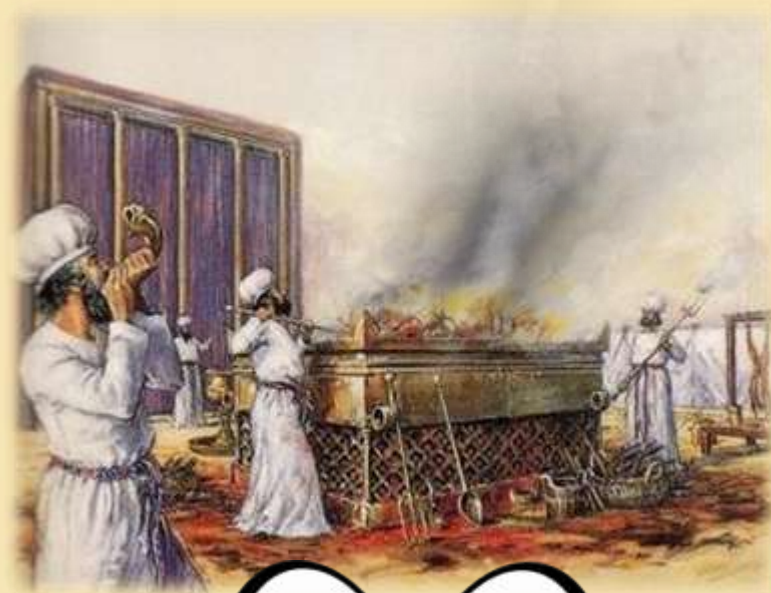
Well, I suppose it might not be that hard
To find a sheep or goat *without* defect
> > that is, with all toes and no sores

But if we ask the women – ask the ladies
Where is the MALE without defect?

Ladies' Eyes Roll

Over & over again, the sacrifice is to be a MALE

Without Defect



Interestingly enough ... a few MEN ...
do think they ARE perfect ...
Kind of reminds of me a 1980 song
Mac Davis sang it ...

Back a few months ago I was headlinin' ...
I came in a couple a'days early ...
put me up in what they call the Star Suite....
wake up at 8 o'clock in morning in this Star Suite
all by myself.

Yeah, that's what I said, awe!
But I did what I've always done to cheer myself up.
I picked up my guitar ...



Audience
responds

awe



Now this is how it feels to be alone
at the top of the hill
and trying to figure out why.

Oh Lord it's hard to be humble,
When you're perfect in every way,
I can't wait to look in the mirror,
'cause I get better looking each day.

To know me is to love me,
I must be a hell of a man,
Oh Lord it's hard to be humble,
but I'm doin' the best that I can.



burnt Offering



It is important to relate:

³ “ ‘If the offering is a Burnt Offering
from the herd, you are to offer
a **MALE** without defect.

Word for “**Burnt Offering**” used 56x
of 289x with 34 variations

ALWAYS translated “**Burnt Offering**”

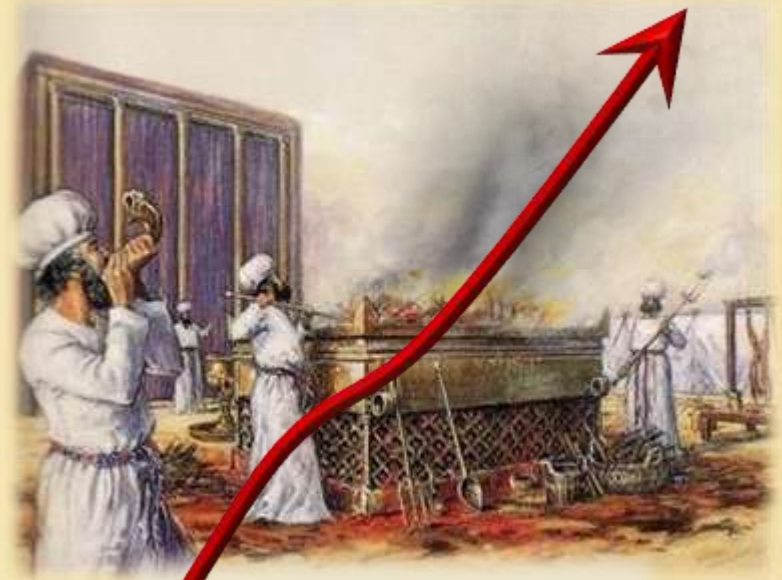
Root **MEANING** is “what goes **UP**” yet
translation is **HOW** Bible says burn to ashes

As in ascending **UP, UP, UP**

MEANS TOTALLY consumed by **FIRE!**

young male bullock, rams, goats

for poor: turtle-doves or young pigeons



Burnt Offering



This Burnt Offering of ***FIRE***
only offering mentioned in Genesis

- ✓ Abel offered it in **Gen. 4:3**
- ✓ Noah offered it in **Gen. 8:20**
- ✓ Abraham offered it in **Gen. 22:2**

Blood is sprinkled ...

WHOLE animal was ***BURNT***
TOTALLY consumed by ***FIRE!***



Burnt Offering



Offer a MALE from herd ...

**3 “ ‘a burnt offering ... MALE without defect
You must present it at the entrance to
the tent of meeting so that it will be
ACCEPTABLE to the LORD.**

**4 You are to lay your hand on the head of
the burnt offering, and it will be accepted
ON YOUR BEHALF to make atonement for you.**

**5 You are to slaughter the young BULL before
the LORD, and then Aaron's sons the
priests shall bring the blood and splash
it against the sides of the altar at the
entrance to the tent of meeting.**



Burnt Offering



Leviticus 1:6-8 ...

Skin, Cut, ***FIRE***

Carefully now ...

Make sure the ***FIRE*** ...

Consumes ALL



Burnt Offering



and *more* instructions

⁹ You are to wash internal organs
and the legs with water,
and the priest is to **BURN**
ALL OF IT ON THE ALTAR.
It is a burnt offering,
a food offering,
an AROMA PLEASING to the LORD.

Totally consumed by ***FIRE***
young MALE bull ...



Burnt Offering



An **AROMA** pleasing to the LORD
That is hard to grasp ...

- ✓ “Aroma” so human
- ✓ “Pleasing” as clear as “happy”
- ✓ Not mere “obedience”
- ✓ Not simple “toasting” a BULL
- ✓ “Aroma” means “*lasting*”
- ✓ “Aroma” means “*savoring*”

Hard to Grasp



Burnt Offering



An **AROMA** pleasing to the LORD

AROMA ~ PLEASING

Means there is a *PLEASURE*

- ✓ Consumes Time
- ✓ Savoring that Lasts
- ✓ Several Breaths of SMOKE
- ✓ ROASTING that Pleases
- ✓ PLEASURE over & over



Burnt Offering



Lev. 1:3-9 Burnt Offering – Male without Defect ... Burn It

AROMA

PLEASING

To the LORD



Burnt Offering



Of the Grain Offering

2:2 an aroma PLEASING to the LORD.

³ The *REST* of the grain offering belongs to Aaron and his sons;

it is a most holy part of the FOOD offerings presented to the LORD.

Fellowship Offering

“Fellowship” symbolizing communion with God

3:5 an aroma PLEASING to the LORD.



Burnt Offering



Burnt, Grain, Fellowship Offerings
TODAY ... as BURNING offerings
Nearly ... even boringly ... irrelevant
Outside their SYMBOLIC reference,
in pointing to Christ ...

OUTSIDE the symbolic ...

Is there any relevance to
these “OFFERINGS”

For us today in the
21st Century?



Burnt Offering



These were GOD's words then
With a release from obligation
With a freedom in Christ
We struggle ... a little ... to see

- ✓ Solid Obligation
- ✓ Real Relevance
- ✓ Clear Moral Imperative
- ✓ Some Honest Injunction

In GOD's command to Israel to ... *WHAT?*

Burn the Offerings



Burnt Offering



What shall we say ... or conclude?

What is the *relevance* TODAY

What is the *obligation* TODAY

What is the *meaning* for TODAY

Let me make an OFFERING to you TODAY

Let me offer you TWO points of relevance

First, remember our FIVE (5) offerings

Burnt Offering – *Wholly Consumed ... FIRST Part to GOD*

Grain & Fellowship – *Partially Consumed ... SECONDS to Levites*

Sin & Guilt

So What?



Burnt Offering

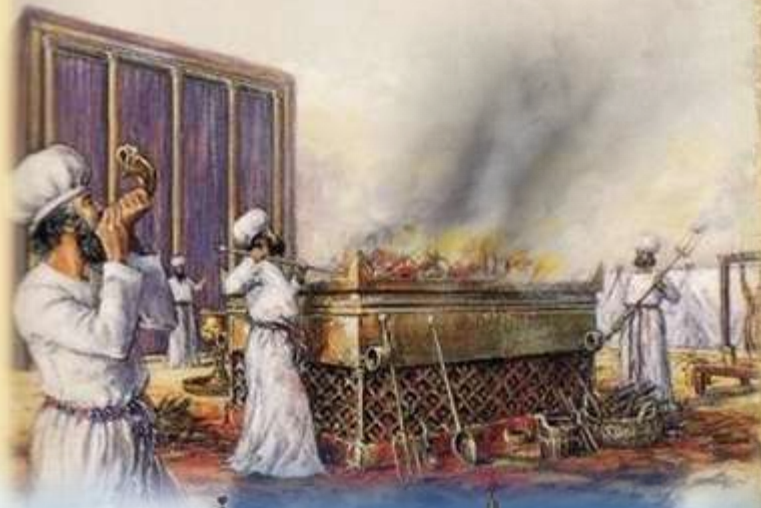


What shall we say ... or conclude?

1. **WHOLE** Burnt Offering given to God is
TOTALLY Consumed

- ✓ Something you **WORKED** for, that **COSTS** you
- ✓ Something you consider “**BEST**” or “**FIRST**”
- ✓ Something **PERFECT** ... Valuable
- ✓ Something **NOT** given to a Levite
- ✓ Something the Church House **CANNOT** use
- ✓ Something **SOLEY** for God & His kingdom
- ✓ Something to be **TOTALLY Consumed**

2. After **FIRST** Part of Grain, Fellowship,
Sin, & Guilt Offerings is given to God,
the **SECOND Part** is given ...



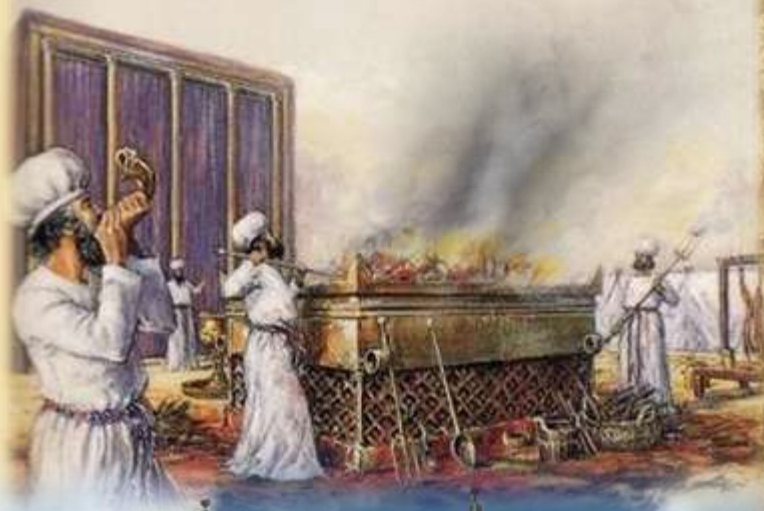
Are you SURE you want to go further?

1. **WHOLE** Burnt Offering given to God is
TOTALLY Consumed

- ✓ Something that COSTS you ... Best, Perfect
- ✓ Something the Church House **CANNOT** use

2. After FIRST Part of Grain, Fellowship, Guilt,
Sin Offerings are given to God, the
SECOND Part to Levites

- ✓ Second Part SUPPORTS the Church House
- ✓ Second Part SUPPORTS the Pastor
- ✓ Second Part SUPPORTS the Staff
- ✓ Support them AS HEARTILY as the REST of the CAMP
- ✓ At LEAST above the MEAN of the REST of the CAMP
- ✓ Cause it's absurd that God's Tabernacle CARETAKERS live BELOW the Mean



Oh ... I know you know that this means

1. **WHOLE** Burnt Offering given to God is
TOTALLY Consumed

2. After **FIRST** Part of Grain, Fellowship, Guilt,
Sin Offerings are given to God, the
SECOND Part to the Levites

- ✓ Second Part **SUPPORTS** the **Church House**
- ✓ Second Part **SUPPORTS** the **Pastor & Staff**
- ✓ Heartily above the **MEAN** of the Camp

Meaning: **SECOND PART** supports the Church
FIRST Part—your whole **LIFE** is to be

TOTALLY Consumed by God

