



KEYWORD: *Holiness*

PURPOSE: To instruct the nation of Israel how she must live and worship as God's chosen people in response to his holiness and in order that He might dwell among them.

Holiness of GOD

1. Qadash – “be consecrated” or “be holy”
2. Qodesh – “apartness” or “holiness” – the essential nature of that which belongs to the sphere of the sacred, distinct from common or profane
3. Qadosh – “holy” or “pure” – someone or something that is intrinsically sacred
4. Qad – to “cut” or “separate”

Holiness of GOD

1. Majestic–Holiness – God is distinct from everything else
 - i. “As the majestic God whose qualities know no boundary, God’s being is infinitely above his creatures. Moreover, as distinct from creation, he does not depend on anyone or anything to bring him into existence or to sustain him in being. And, of course, there is only one being with such majesty and perfection. He is the unique (unity) God.” (John Feinberg *No One Like Him*, 340)
 - ii. “There is no one holy like the Lord, Indeed, there is no one besides You, Nor is there any rock like our God. (1 Sam 2:2)

Holiness of GOD

2. Moral purity and perfection – God is separated from everything
 - i. “God is free from the pollution of sin, for he cannot sin. In fact, he is so pure and perfect that the Scripture says he cannot even be tempted to sin (Jas 1:13). Though God could have decided not to obligate himself to obey any moral rules, the description of God’s actions in Scripture shows that he abides by the same standards he has set for us. In fact, God’s moral norms are expressions of his moral attributes, so in obeying those norms God is just being consistent with who he is. (John Feinberg *No One Like Him*, 342)
 - ii. “Once I have sworn by My holiness; I will not lie to David. “His descendants shall endure forever And his throne as the sun before Me.”” (Ps 89:35-36)

OUTLINE

1. The Way to God Through Appropriate Worship (1-16)
 - i. Enjoying God’s Presence (1-7)
 - ii. Entering God’s Service (8-10)
 - iii. Encountering God’s Design (11-15)
 - iv. Ensuring God’s Forgiveness (16)
2. The Walk with God Through Obedient Lifestyle (17-27)
 - i. Enacting God’s Word (17-26)
 - ii. Enamored by God’s Grace (27)

Mt Sinai



Sin Offering – Leviticus 4:1-2

'Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, 'If a person sins unintentionally in any of the things which the Lord has commanded not to be done, and commits any of them,'

Sin Offering – Leviticus 4:3-5

‘if the anointed priest sins so as to bring guilt on the people, then let him offer to the Lord a bull without defect as a sin offering for the sin he has committed. ‘He shall bring the bull to the doorway of the tent of meeting before the Lord, and he shall lay his hand on the head of the bull and slay the bull before the Lord. ‘Then the anointed priest is to take some of the blood of the bull and bring it to the tent of meeting,’

Sin Offering – Leviticus 4:6-7

‘and the priest shall dip his finger in the blood and sprinkle some of the blood seven times before the Lord, in front of the veil of the sanctuary. ‘The priest shall also put some of the blood on the horns of the altar of fragrant incense which is before the Lord in the tent of meeting; and all the blood of the bull he shall pour out at the base of the altar of burnt offering which is at the doorway of the tent of meeting.’

Sin Offering



Sin Offering – Leviticus 4:8-10

'He shall remove from it all the fat of the bull of the sin offering: the fat that covers the entrails, and all the fat which is on the entrails, and the two kidneys with the fat that is on them, which is on the loins, and the lobe of the liver, which he shall remove with the kidneys (just as it is removed from the ox of the sacrifice of peace offerings), and the priest is to offer them up in smoke on the altar of burnt offering.'

Sin Offering – Leviticus 4:11-12

'But the hide of the bull and all its flesh with its head and its legs and its entrails and its refuse, that is, all the rest of the bull, he is to bring out to a clean place outside the camp where the ashes are poured out, and burn it on wood with fire; where the ashes are poured out it shall be burned.'



Sin Offering

1. Occasion

- i. Unintentional sin –breaking of the commandments (Lev 4:2)
 - i. Anointed Priest (Lev 4:3-12)
 - ii. The Whole Congregation (Lev 4:13-21)
 - iii. A Leader (Lev 4:22-26)
 - iv. A Common Person (Lev 4:27-35)

2. Elements

- i. A bull for priest (Lev 4:3)
- ii. A bull for the whole congregation (Lev 4:14)
- iii. A male goat for a leader (Lev 4:23)
- iv. A female goat or a lamb for a common person (Lev 4:28, 32)

Sin Offering

1. Instruction to the Offerer (Lev 4)

- i. Bring the sacrifice before the LORD
- ii. Lay hand on the head of the offering
- iii. Slay the animal before the LORD

2. Instruction to the Priest (Lev 4:5-12)

- i. Bring blood of the sacrifice into the Tabernacle
- ii. Sprinkle the blood 7 times before the veil
- iii. Apply some blood on the horns of the incense altar
- iv. Pour out the rest of the blood at the base of the bronze altar
- v. Offer on the altar fat and inner organs of the animal
- vi. The remaining portion of sacrifice – burn outside of the camp

Lessons from Sin Offering

God's acceptable Worship

- i. Sin is an offense against Holy God (Ps 51:4)
- ii. Sin causes a relationship to be broken (Is 59:1-2)
- iii. God's wrath is propitiated by the blood (Rom 3:21-26)
- iv. God makes provisions to restore relationship (John 3:16)
- v. Fellowship with God is restored through atonement (Heb 9:22)
- vi. Need for a perfect high priest (Heb 7:26-28)
- vii. Repentance and faith to receive God's forgiveness (Ps 32:5)
- viii. Christ's blood cleanses repentant sinner (Heb 9:13-14)

Guilt Offering

1. Occasion

- i. Judicial matter – unintentional sin in court (Lev 5:1)
- ii. Touches something unclean (Lev 5:2-3)
- iii. Thoughtless promise (Lev 5:4)
- iv. Illegal withholding of another's property (Lev 6:1-5)

2. Restoration

- i. Must confess the sin (Lev 5:5)
- ii. Bring guilt offering to the LORD (Lev 5:6)
- iii. Must provide a restitution 1/5 (Lev 6:5-7)

