

FOUR BASIC ALTAR OFFERINGS

PRINCIPLE ABOVE RITUAL

1Sa 15:22 “Samuel said, Hath the LORD *as great* delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, *as in obeying the voice of the LORD?* Behold, *to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams*”

Ecc 5:1 “Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and *be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools:* for they consider not that they do evil”

Isa 1:11-13 “*To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me?* saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats...*Bring no more vain oblations;* incense is an abomination unto me...”

Psa 40:6 *Sacrifice (zebach)* and *offering (minchah)* thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: *burnt offering (olah)* and *sin offering (chatah)* hast thou not required.

Psa 40:7 Then said I, *Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me,*

Psa 40:8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law *is* within my heart.

The Hebrew words for *Peace, Meal, Burnt and Sin* offerings are used in this Psalm, which is quoted directly in application to Christ in Heb 10:5-8: **“Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, BUT A BODY HAST THOU PREPARED ME: In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God...”**

The literal sacrifices were to be applied personally. **“Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God” Rom 12:1**

THE BURNT OFFERING

Lev 1:1 And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,
Lev 1:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, *If any man of you bring an offering unto the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.*

If any man...ye shall bring— Voluntary (v.3) “The power to act independently...brings along with it the power to act wrongly” *Law of Moses*. “It is true that no man or power has the right to interfere between God and the conscience; but it is also true that no man has the right to worship God as he pleases. This is a Protestant fallacy! Man has a right to worship God only in the way God Himself has appointed” *E.I.*

God must be worshipped “in spirit and in Truth” (John 4:22-24). It is possible to worship Him “in vain” (Mat 15:9). **Ex: Cain and Abel!**

Lev 1:2 Ye shall bring your offering of *the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.*

Herd or Flock” Why?—“The form of individual approach was prescribed. It was not left to taste or inclination”
*Law of Moses. **Worship is Personal***

2Sa 24:19-25 “Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the king come...And David said, *To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build an altar unto the LORD...And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what seemeth good unto him: behold, here be oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments and other instruments of the oxen for wood. All these things did Araunah, as a king, give unto the king...And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing*”
“Work out your own salvation”—Phi 2:12 (Mat 25—virgins, oil...)

Lev 1:3 If his offering *be* a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer *a male without blemish*: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.

Without Blemish—this applies to Christ (1Pet 1:18-19; Heb 9:14) and his brethren (Eph 1:4; 5:27; 2Pet 3:14). This requires diligent effort not be defiled by the world. Thus, “burnt” means *rise up*. Rendered “ascending sacrifice” in alt trans. Word is trans. “ascent” (1Kin 10:5 Solomon’s Temple), “to go up” (Eze 40:26). **Elevation of standards!**

Mal 1:8 “And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, *is it not evil?* and if ye offer the lame and sick, *is it not evil?* offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts”

POWERFUL POINT—If we gave our worldly master’s the same dedication as we do Yahweh and His Truth, would they accept it?

Lev 1:4 *And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.*

Rom 6:4-8 “so many of us as were baptized *into Jesus Christ* were baptized *into his death*? ...buried *with him* by baptism into death...our old man is crucified *with him*... that we shall also live *with him*...”

Hand upon the Head—this rep. the full transferring of oneself to the object. The transfer of blessing for Joseph’s sons (Gen 48:13-20); the authority to the elders of Israel (Num 8:20); and Moses’ giving of the spirit to Joshua (Num 27:18).

It shall be accepted—an acceptable sacrifice requires that we personally identify with the Lord; not just admire him. He suffered, “leaving us an example” (1Pet 2:21); and we now “live unto him which died” for us (2Cor 5:5). We have much to do with our own “atonement,” based upon “if we walk in light”—1John 1:7-9

Lev 1:5 And he shall kill *the bullock* BEFORE the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall bring the blood, and sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that *is by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

Bullock—Different levels of the offering were permitted: a “sheep or goat” (v.10), or “turtledoves or young pigeons” (v. 14). This was all based on a willing conscience of the offerer. Proportionately, the poor widow gave more in her poverty than the Pharisees did in all of their abundance (*Lk.21:1-4*)

Mat 25:14-15 *“The kingdom... is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey”* (“**according to that a man hath**”—2Cor 8:12)

Lev 1:6 And *he shall flay* the burnt offering, and *cut it into his pieces.*

Flay—The outward skin removed, and the offering cut into pieces; exposing the inward parts—

1Sa 16:7 “But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance...for *the LORD seeth* not as man seeth; *for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart*”

Mat 23:25-28 “Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean *the outside* of the cup and of the platter, but *within* they are full of extortion and *excess... cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter*, that the outside of them may be clean also...indeed appear beautiful *outward*, but are *within* full of dead *men's* bones...ye also *outwardly appear righteous unto men*, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity”

Lev 1:7 And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put **FIRE** upon the altar, and lay **THE WOOD** *in order* upon the fire:

Lev 1:8 And the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, **THE HEAD**, and the fat, *in order* upon the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:

“Having the understanding darkened, *being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them*” Eph 4:18

In Order—Before everything, the wood and fire had to be kindled! Fire reps. the Word of God (Jer 23:29; 1The 5:19). **The Head**— The first thing that must be offered: the intellect based upon the Word! *Heb 4:12* “***The word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do*”**

Lev 1:9 But *his inwards and his legs shall he wash in water*: and the priest shall burn all on the altar, to be a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

Inwards—Translated “bowels” and “within.” Reprs. *emotions*: “Greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ” (Phi 1:8). “Bowels of compassion” (1Jn 3:17).

Legs—represents the walk. Both heavily subjected to “water” of the Word (Eph 5:26) before becoming an acceptable form of offering.

Psa 119:9 “Wherewithal shall a young man *cleanse his way?* by taking heed *thereto* according to thy word”

Head—Fat—Inwards—Legs

Mar 12:33 “And to love him with all the *heart*, and with all the *understanding*, and with all the *soul*, and with all the *strength*, and to love *his* neighbour as himself, is more than all **WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND SACRIFICES**”

THE MEAL OFFERING

Lev 2:1 And when any will offer *a meat offering* unto the LORD, his offering shall be *of fine flour*; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon:

The Meal offering was completely positive and often included with the Burnt and Peace offering (num 15:1-6), but not with the Sin or Trespass offerings. While it was bloodless, it was often offered with a “drink offering”: life poured out (2Tim 4:6; Phi 2:17; Psa 16:4-5)

Meat Offering—as noted by the grain or flower, this is properly “meal offering.” The Hebrew words is also translated “gift” (Psa 45:12; 2Sam 8:2); “present” (Gen 32:18; 43:11; Jud 3:15). It was an offering of appreciation for what Yahweh provides for us.

“In the Burnt Offering, he gave himself; in the Meal Offering, he gave of his own possessions. It represented something of man’s own labor, and signified a gift of homage by which he acknowledged the supremacy of Yahweh”—*H.P.M. Expositor*

Lev 2:1 And when any will offer a meat offering unto the LORD, *his offering shall be of fine flour*; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon:

His offering shall be—Like the burnt offering it was voluntary. No amount is specified here, although it is in other places (Lev 23:13; Num 15:4). While a matter of conscience, strict requirements must still be observed (v.1-7).

Fine Flour—Personal labor from the offerer was required to process raw grain into that which would be acceptable to Yahweh. The word means “*strip, crushed small.*” Labor is a dominant theme in the meal offering.; which humbles the flesh and exalts God, and by which servitude to Him “is made perfect in weakness” (2Cor 12:9).

Rom 15:16 “Ministering the gospel...that *the offering up* (KJV mg. *sacrifice*) of the Gentiles might be acceptable”

The only offering acceptable from Christ’s brethren must include personal servitude (Rom 12:1-2; Phi 2:17; 4:18; Heb 13:15)

Lev 2:1 His offering shall be of fine flour; and *he shall pour oil upon it*, and put frankincense thereon:

Oil—representing the Word of God, it also had to be processed by man before use . **Ten Virgins**

Lev 24:2 “Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure *oil olive beaten* for the light, to cause THE LAMPS *to burn continually*” **Warning: Days of Eli (1Sam 3:3)**

Psa 119:105 “Thy word *is a lamp* unto my feet...”

Pro 6:23 “The commandment is a lamp...”

“Every portion of the meal offering was to be saturated with oil ...the dedication of our labors in recognition of the ownership of all things by God must have its basis in the Word”—*Law of Moses, M. Stewart Jew and Gentile are styled the two “Sons of Oil”—Zec 4:14*

2Ti 2:15 “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” (Acts 17:11 “search” diligently)

Lev 24:4 “He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the LORD continually”

“The light was caused by the combustion of oil supplied to the lamps morning and evening, without which the light would have gone out...the candlestick DOES NOT represent the Word of the Lord in the abstract, but that Word as incorporate in living believers, after the example of the seven Apocalyptic candlesticks which stood for seven light-bearing communities of saints. It is manifest that the Word of the Lord can HAVE NO operative existence apart from living reflectors...The Word as oil becomes the light, when combusted in their understanding...The only light we can have at present is the light of illuminated brains...a light that requires constant renewal by daily supplies of the oil of the Word...Nothing less than the daily reading of the Word can answer to this type” *Law of Moses, pg 127-128* *Ecclesial strength is based upon the Individual Members*

Christ was the Word manifested in the Flesh, and therefore the Light of the World. Likewise, the Ecclesia!

Lev 2:1 His offering shall be of fine flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put *frankincense thereon*:

Frankincense—rep. Prayer. Thus, THREE vital elements are involved: personal labor; personal study of the Word; and personal prayer.

Psa 141:2 “Let *my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice*”

Rev 8:3 “And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and *there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne*”

Notice again the order: Oil, first. Frankincense, second.

Pro 28:9 “He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer *shall be abomination*”

Yahweh speaks to us thru His Word, and we speak to Him through prayer—“Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak” Jam 1:19

Lev 2:1 *And he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests: and he shall take thereout his handful of the flour thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof; and the priest shall burn the memorial of it upon the altar, to be an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD:*

The Priest—Intercession required! *“Every meal offering was to be brought to the altar by the priest. Not otherwise could the Israelite offer an acceptable gift to God... There is no other way of approach to God. A man is not fit to approach on his own merit” Law of Moses, R.R.*

Note: the priest took an handful of the fine flour and oil; yet “all the frankincense” was handled by the priest. Only the Lord can mediate!

We submit our prayer to Yahweh, our Father, through the Name of His Son (Jhn 16:24-26; 14:13-14; Eph 2:18; Rom :2; Heb 9:24; 10:19-21).

“For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus” 1Tim 2:5

Lev 2:3 *And the remnant of the meat offering shall be Aaron's and his sons': it is a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.*

Remnant—The mediating priest partook of the process. This is exactly how the Lord is rep. to us: One who experienced like Labor, study of the Word, and diligent in Prayer. A Mediator!

Heb 2:14-18 “Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same...For verily he took not on *him the nature of angels*; but he took on *him the seed of Abraham*.

Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto *his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people*. For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted” **Important to remember when praying.**

Lev 2:4 And if thou bring an oblation of a meat offering baken in the oven, *it shall be unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, or unleavened wafers anointed with oil.*

Leaven—verse 11 is emphatic: “No meat offering, which ye shall bring unto the LORD, shall be made with leaven!” Why? It is a corrupting element that represents the works of the flesh and man’s glory—

1Co 5:6-8 *“Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump? Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.”*

The principle of “unleavened” was established in Exo 12:17, when Israel departed from Egypt! Worldliness and the Truth do not mingle.

Lev 2:11 No meat offering, which ye shall bring unto the LORD, shall be made with leaven: for ye shall burn no leaven, *nor any honey*, in any offering of the LORD made by fire.

Honey—Significantly, this reps. both the Word of God and Man's glory. Note the first case: Psa 119:103 "How sweet are thy words unto my taste! *yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth*"

Note the second application:

Pro 25:27 "*It is not good to eat much honey: so for men to search their own glory is not glory*" **No flesh glory in His presence**

Thus, the constant warning in Scripture for men not to use the Word as a means for personal glory. The Word has been misused as a vehicle to draw away men to oneself (Acts 20:29-30); for personal gain (2Cor 12; 1Pet 5); and exaltation of personal status (3Jhn 9). Paul said such aim to please men and not God (Gal 1:10). Christ, the apostles and prophets were all abased, necessarily, for the Word to be exalted.

Lev 2:4 And if thou bring an oblation of a meat offering *baken in the oven...*

Lev 2:5 And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering *baken in a pan...*

Lev 2:7 And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering **baken in the fryingpan...**

Baken—Only if the contents of the meal offering are exact, the means by which they are offered is given some scope of personal liberty. One Spirit, Many Members.

1Co 12:4-12 “Now there are diversities of gifts, *but the same Spirit...* it is the same God which worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; To another faith...dividing to every man severally as he will. For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body”

Lev 2:13 *And every oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with salt; neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the covenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offering: with all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.*

Salt—The context demands its association with *the covenant*. 2Ch 13:5 “The LORD God of Israel gave the kingdom over Israel to David for ever, *even* to him and to his sons *by a covenant of salt?*”

Jerusalem was overthrown in AD 70 because the covenants had lost their savour to the children of Israel. Christ told the Jews—

Mat 5:13 “Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, *but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men*” (Mat 8:12; Luke 21:24)

- **We must never forget the foundation of the Truth, the Covenants of Promise, and the zeal of our first love! Sacrifice is void without it.**

Lev 2:14 And if thou offer *a meat offering of thy firstfruits* unto the LORD, thou shalt offer for the meat offering of thy *firstfruits* green ears of corn dried by the fire, *even* corn beaten out of full ears.

Firstfruits—This refers to Christ (1Cor 15:23; Col 1:18) and His brethren (Jam 1:18; Col 1:15; Rev 4:4). It also represents giving unto Yahweh the “first” of our benefits as an acknowledgement of what He has provided—“Honour the LORD with thy substance, and *with the firstfruits of all thine increase*” Pro 3:9

Our humble prayers are likened unto offering the “firstfruits”—

Heb 13:15 “By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, *the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name*”

When we openly “acknowledge Him in all our ways” (Pro 3:6) it is called the “sacrifice of thanksgiving” in Psa 116:17; 107:22.

THE PEACE OFFERING

Lev 3:1 And if his oblation *be* a sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer *it* of the herd; *whether it be a male or female*, he shall offer it without blemish before the LORD.

Lev 3:2 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering...

Male or Female—the peace offering is closely associated with the burnt offering, in detail and principle. The two are often offered together. However, a notable difference is that with the peace offering a “male or female” could be offered. Although still “unblemished” like the burnt offering, this oblation represents the saints, while the burnt, the Lord.

Gal 3:27-28 “For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. *There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus*”

Eph 2:12-14 “Ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. *For he is our peace, who hath made both one*”

Rom 5:1 “Therefore being justified by faith, *we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ*”

The “gospel of Peace” (Eph 6:1; Rom 10:15) was revealed “by Jesus Christ” (Acts 10:36; John 17). The word “offering” in Lev 3. means “to slaughter.” Gal 5:24 “They that are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts”

“The peace offering by its very name imported the idea of making peace, and therefore, removing the cause of dispeace. The cause would be on the offerer’s wholly...” *Law of Moses, R. Roberts*

Lev 3:5 And Aaron's sons shall burn it *on the altar upon the burnt sacrifice, which is upon the wood that is on the fire: it is an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.*

Upon the Burnt Sacrifice—NIV has “on top of the burnt offering,” emphasizing that the “peace offering” is established by the principle of the Burnt Offering. Accordingly, all offerings were upon the “altar of burnt offering”—foundation!

“In actual practice, the peace offering was the last to be offered... first the sin offering, as providing a means of atonement; then the burnt offering, as representing complete self-surrender...followed by the meal offering, which expressed the loyal submission of the offerer in a gift...finally, the peace offering, which, with its meal, expressed the joy of fellowship with God”—*Expositor, pg 46*

- ***Lev 9:15-18 Sin—Burnt—Meal—Peace Offering Order***

Why is the Peace Offering the last to be offered?

Jas 3:17 “The wisdom that is from above *is FIRST pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits...*”

Heb 7:1-2 “For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings...*FIRST being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace*”

2Ki 9:21-22 “And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, *Is it peace, Jehu? And he answered, What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts are so many?*”

- **Peace can only be established upon purity and truth!**

Insufficiency not to limit worship in Peace Offerings—

Lev 22:21-23 “Whosoever offereth a sacrifice *of peace offerings* unto the LORD to accomplish *his* vow, or a freewill offering in beeves or sheep, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish therein. *Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scurvy, or scabbed,* ye shall not offer these unto the LORD...*Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing superfluous or lacking in his parts, that mayest thou offer for a freewill offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted”*

- ***“This sacrificial law thus bid none to withhold his service through consciousness of personal inadequacy to render it”—
Law and Grace, Bro. Barling***

Likewise, a Peace Offering of “thanksgiving” was accompanied with “leavened bread” so that we remember our shortcomings. Lev 7:11-14

Lev 3:3 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the LORD; *the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,*

Lev 3:4 And *the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.*

Inwards—The key focus of the Peace Offering was the critical scrutiny of the inward parts.

Fat—The Hebrew *cheleb* is also translated “best” (Num 18:12,29) and “finest” (Psa 81:16; 147:1). It means ‘*richest, best, choicest.*’

This was extracted from the very depth of the “inward” portion of the offering. **“A man giving his time, his love, his service, his substance, gives the fat of his life. This is the ‘food of the peace offering’.”—Law of Moses**

Lev 3:16 states emphatically **“All The Fat Is Yahweh’s.”** God wants and demands the “best” or “finest” of what we have to offer Him!

Lev 7:25 “For whosoever eateth *the fat* of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, *even the soul that eateth it shall be cut off from his people*”

Inwards—A word used throughout Scripture to indicate the true innermost thoughts and desires: good or bad—

Psa 51:10 “Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit WITHIN me”

Psa 62:4 “They bless with their mouth, but they curse INWARDLY”

Psa 49:11 “Their INWARD thought is, that their houses shall continue forever”

“Yahweh searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts”—1Chr 28:9

It is from this place that Yahweh requires “ALL THE FAT.”

Lev 3:4 *And the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.*

Flanks—often trans. “hope” or “confidence.” (Pro 3:26; Job 31:24; Psa 78:7)

“By this requirement, Israelites were taught to allow Yahweh to govern their feelings by placing their confidence and trust in Him”—*Expositor, HPM*

Kidneys—Almost always translated “reins.” (affections)

Psa 26:2 “Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; *try my reins* and MY HEART”

Jer 20:12 “But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous, *and seest the reins* and THE HEART”

Rev 2:23 “All the ecclesias shall know that I am he which *searcheth the reins* and HEARTS: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works”

Lev 3:4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the flanks, and *the caul above the liver*, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

Caul—Heb. “the redundant, out-hanging part.” Translated as:
“Remain”—Ex 29:34; Lev 6:16
“Rest”—Lev 14:29; Jos 21:5
“Left”—Gen 44:20; Lev 2:10
“Too Much”—Exo 36:7

How can we be at Peace with Yahweh?

By giving everything: the Best—FAT—to all that Remains—the CAUL.

Lev 3:17 *It shall be a perpetual statute for your generations throughout all your dwellings, that ye eat neither fat nor blood.*

Blood—rep. the Life, which must be dedicated to Yahweh, wholly—
Lev 17:14 “Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off”

THE SIN OFFERING

Lev 4:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
Lev 4:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, *If a soul shall sin through ignorance* against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them:

“To claim ignorance of having committed sin did not absolve from responsibility”—*Expositor*

Sins of Ignorance—Despite the world’s claim that “ignorance is bliss,” it simply is not true. “A false position is a false position, whether known or not”—*Law of Moses*. Sin is what it is: the Law simply manifested it (Rom 7:13). “By the Law is the knowledge of sin”—Rom 3:20

Compulsory—the sin offering is different than the previous offerings, in that it was not voluntary, but compulsory. This emphasizes the point that sin must be acknowledge to be atoned for by Yahweh (1Jhn 1:10)

Lev 4:3 If *the priest* that is anointed do sin according to the sin of the people; then let him bring for his sin, which he hath sinned, *a young bullock* without blemish unto the LORD for a sin offering.

Nation: Bullock (v 13-15)

Ruler: Kid of Goats (v 22-23)

Person: Female Goat (v 27-28)

Person: Female Lamb (v 32)

• **Note: Goat predominant over the Lamb (rebellion)**
The reverse of Burnt/Peace

Degrees of Responsibility—“The seriousness of guilt varied with the status of the sinner. The failing of the priest was treated as more serious than that of a ruler, or a commoner”—*Expositor*

Sin—The world claims ‘sin is sin’: meaning all sin is equal. This is not true. The degrees of sin were evident in the Law; some required uncleanness until evening, others without the camp for seven days, some cut off from the people, and severe cases, death by stoning. Likewise, responsibility is also in degrees, as stated in the Word.

Jas 3:1 “Be not many masters (teachers), knowing that we shall receive *the greater condemnation*”

Joh 19:10-11 “Jesus answered (Pilate), Thou couldest have no power *at all* against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee *hath the greater sin*”

Accordingly, the prophets rebuked the “elders” (Eze 14:1-5) who had misguided Israel, along with all the spiritual guides: “from the prophet unto the priest” (Jer 6:13).

“No where in the Law of Moses...is there a reference to a male lamb as a sin offering...This omission gives great point to John’s comment: ‘Behold, the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world’ (1:29). In this statement, two things are taught: (a) that Jesus was to make the one offering for sin which the law omitted; (b) that his offering would be all-availing” *Law of Moses, M.D Stewart*

Lev 4:6 And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times *before the LORD*, before the veil of the sanctuary.

Lev 4:11 And the skin of the bullock, and *all his flesh, with his head, and with his legs, and his inwards, and his dung,*

Lev 4:12 Even the whole bullock shall he carry forth *without the camp unto a clean place...*

Before Yahweh—Sin may have been committed secretly, but it was to be acknowledge and atoned for openly and “in the presence of Yahweh.” This is what we do at Memorial Meeting

Head, Legs, Inwards—The same pieces given in dedication upon the altar in the Burnt Offering are removed far from it in the Sin Offering. Reason: the same “members” can be used for servitude of flesh or spirit (Rom 6)

Whole Bullock—reps “the body of sin destroyed” (Rom 6:6)

Lev 5:11 But if he be not able to bring two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, then he that sinned shall bring for his offering *the tenth part of an ephah* of fine flour FOR A SIN OFFERING; *he shall put no oil upon it, neither shall he put any frankincense thereon: for it is a sin offering.*

No Oil or Frankincense—This was vital in the willing meal offering. However, the lack of these two elements here shows the root cause: NO study of the Word and NO prayer to God—“*Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against the*”
Psa 119:11.

Tenth part of an ephah—There was no amount specified in the willing meal offering. However, here the measure is given. This is exactly the same amount of the daily manna provided for the children of Israel (Exo 16:16,36). This demands the principle that our entire life was required in sacrifice to atone for sin.

Lev 4:28 Or if his sin, which he hath sinned, *come to his knowledge*: then he shall bring his offering...

“Whilst the burnt offerings and peace offerings are referred to in Genesis before the Law , there is no reference to sin offerings as such. However, the Law revealed the act of sin in its true light, so that sin was revealed as being ‘exceeding sinful’” *HPM Expositor*

“Sins of ignorance were not forgiven till known and repudiated in sacrifice. Here arises the necessity for what Paul recommends when he says, ‘Examine yourselves,’ and ‘prove your own selves,’ and John, ‘purify yourselves,’ and James, ‘cleanse your hearts.’ If we go on in ignorance of what is acceptable to God in our character, how can we expect to obtain forgiveness that comes only from confession? On the other hand, how comforting to know that when we have discovered and confessed our shortcomings, and come to God with Christ, the crucified, in our hand and hearts, ‘He is faithful and just to forgive us, and cleanse us from all iniquity’.” *R. Roberts, Law of Moses*