

- ✳ Since this sacrifice typified Christ, there were strict conditions that must be met for the meal / grain offering:
 - 1) It must be accompanied with oil (Lev. 2:1-2, 4, 6, 15) – A picture of the Holy Spirit of God (John 3:34; Hebrews 9:14; 2 Cor. 1:21-23; 1 John 2:20, 27).
 - 2) It must be accompanied with salt (Lev. 2:13) – Speaks of our Lord's purity of character (Matthew 5:13; Mark 9:49-50).
 - 3) Leaven (yeast) and honey were prohibited from the meal offering (Lev. 2:11) – There was no sin in Jesus (Heb. 4:15; 7:26; 1 Pt. 2:21-22).
 - 4) This burning grain was "a sweet savour unto the Lord" (Lev. 2:2, 9, 12; See also Gen. 8:21; Amos 5:21) – Jesus perfect character was a sweet fragrance to God (Ephesians 5:2). ³
- ✳ Mark 10:45 – "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, **but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.**"

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 - ↳ Psalm 141:1-2 – ¹ "Lord, I cry out to You; Make haste to me! Give ear to my voice when I cry out to You. ² Let my prayer be set before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice."

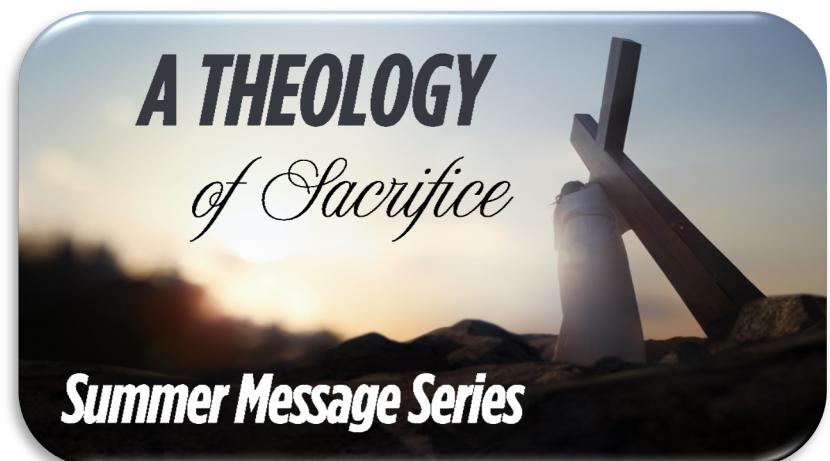
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MESSAGE GUIDE

*Speaker: Pastor Mark Geer
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Text: Leviticus 2:1-16; 6:14-23; 7:9-10



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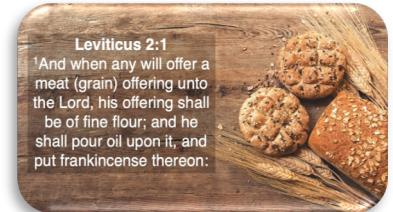


TEXT

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- Leviticus 6:14-23 – The Law of the Meal / Grain Offering
- Leviticus 7:9-10 – Additional Details Listed With The Law of the Trespass Offering

THE CONCEPT OF SERVICE IN THE MEAL / GRAIN OFFERING

- Service Unto The Lord – A sense of duty, responsibility, an obligation to honor the Lord with our service.
- Matthew Henry – "The first offering we read of in scripture was of this kind (Gen. 4:3): Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering."¹
- A few particulars of the meal / grain offering: It could be presented at the altar in one of five forms...
 - 1) Fine Flour
 - 2) Oven-baked cakes
 - 3) Cakes baked in a pan
 - 4) Cakes baked in a frying pan
 - 5) Crushed roasted heads of new grain.
- In this offering the priest offered part of it to God and kept the rest for his own use according to God's design, permission and command (Leviticus 6:14-16).



JESUS CHRIST IS OUR MEAL / GRAIN OFFERING

- The importance of using care with typology...
- The clear picture of Jesus in the Levitical offerings is not hard to see (John 5:39 – "The Scriptures testify of Me" ~ Jesus).
 - 1) The Bread of Life – Jesus is the True Bread from that has come down from Heaven (John 6:32-35, 47-58; See also Luke 4:4; 1 Cor. 11:23-24).
 - 2) The Fine Flour – May speak of His perfect, well-balanced humanity.
 - 3) The Oil – Pictures the Holy Spirit.
 - 4) The Frankincense – Points to the moral fragrance of His person.
 - 5) The Absence of Yeast (Leaven) – Illustrates His separateness from sin.
 - 6) The Grain of Wheat Dying – Illustrates Jesus being crushed as "fine flour" on the cross, dying, buried, and resurrected (Jn. 12:23-25).²



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- 1. What is the greatest act of love you have ever seen in your life by someone you know in your family or circle of friends?
- 2. Read aloud John 15:13 above and discuss what you sense Jesus is trying to say here in this incredible statement. Have you seen this type of love displayed in your lifetime?



THE CONCEPT OF SERVICE IN THE MEAL / GRAIN OFFERING

- 1) Did you ever have to do "chores" or certain duties around the house or yard when you were a young kid? If so, how did you like them? Do you think they were beneficial for your character growth as you got older?
- 2) The Meal / Grain Offering required a lot of baking. How does that appeal to you? If you had to prepare a grain offering, which of the five options in Leviticus would you have preferred or chosen:
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JESUS CHRIST IS OUR MEAL / GRAIN OFFERING

- ⌘ Which of the elements in the grain offering that Jesus fulfilled stands out the most to you? (See the list from the Message Guide on Sunday)

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- 1) What does a mindset of service to God and others look like to you?
- 2) Read through Philippians 2:1-18, 25-30. What behaviors and practices of Jesus can you pick out of this text that you could work on more?
- 3) Read Philippians 4:18-20. What does Paul comment Epaphroditus for?
- 4) Pray and ask God to help you offering your life as a *living sacrifice* of service to Him and others every day.
 - ↳ See how you can make Psalm 141:1-2; Romans 12:1-2; Hebrews 13:15-16 and Psalm 51:17 a part of your prayer and life-response to God?