

JESUS CHRIST IS OUR SUBSTITUTE

– HE IS OUR SIN OFFERING

- ✘ The typology of the sin offering emphasizes the death of Christ as a satisfactory substitutionary sacrifice to provide for the forgiveness of sins (Galatians 1:3-4; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Ephesians 1:7).
- ✘ Christ gave Himself for our sins and suffered outside the gate!
 - 1) Jesus was made in the likeness of sinful flesh (Romans 8:3; cf. Numbers 21:9; John 3:14; Philippians 2:7) so He could be our sin-bearer and carry our sins outside the camp (Hebrews 13:11-13); 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24).
 - 2) As our “Sin Bearer” He fulfilled the role of the scapegoat (Isaiah 53:3, 6, 12; Micah 7:19; Jeremiah 31:34; Hebrews 8:12; Romans 11:27).



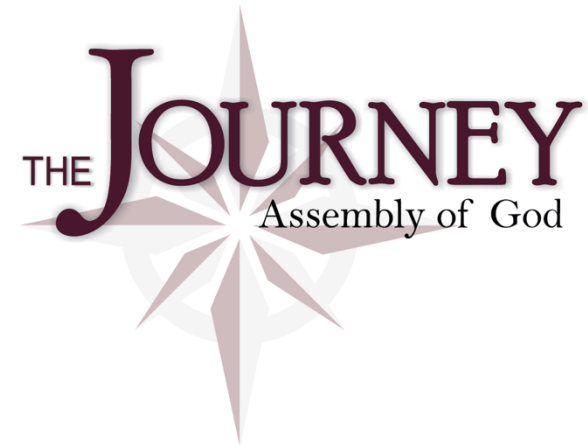
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- ✘ The sin offering teaches us that God holds mankind accountable for sin (Romans 3:9-12, 23).
- ✘ Confession was an essential part of the sin offering (Lev. 5:5; 16:21).
- ✘ Confession is also an essential step in the NT Believer’s life & born-again experience (Psalm 32:5; Prov. 28:13; 1 John 1:9; Rom. 10:9-10).

**The Lamb of God Has
Taken Our Place!**

✦ Romans 12:1-2 ✦



MESSAGE GUIDE

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THE SACRIFICES OF CHRIST

- ✘ The Burnt Offering – The Principle of Surrender.
- ✘ The Meal / Grain Offering – The Principle of Service.
- ✘ The Peace / Fellowship Offering – The Principle of Sacrifice.
- ✘ The Sin Offering – The Principle of Substitution.
- ✘ The Trespass Offering – The Principle of Satisfaction.

TEXT

- ✘ Leviticus 4:1-35 – The Sin Offering
- ✘ Leviticus 5:1-13 – Special Types of Unintentional Sins
- ✘ Leviticus 6:24-30 – The Law of the Sin Offering
- ✘ Leviticus 8:14-17 – Aaron and His Sons Consecrated
- ✘ Leviticus 16:3-22 – The Day of Atonement



A DISTINCTION OF TERMS



- ✘ **Sin** – A broad term that refers to any action or thought that deviates from God's will or moral law, encompassing a wide range of wrongdoings.
- ✘ **Trespass** – A specific term that refers to a specific, deliberate violation or transgression against a known rule or commandment.
- ✘ **Iniquity** – A deeply rooted term that refers to a premeditated choice; to commit iniquity is to continue in wrongdoing without repentance.

Psalm 32:5

"I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I have not hidden.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and You forgave the iniquity of my sin."

THE CONCEPT OF SUBSTITUTION IN THE SIN OFFERING



- ✘ This was a mandatory offering to provide atonement for specific unintentional sin and it required a confession of sin.
- ✘ It was the offering that was always offered first.
- ✘ The nature of the sin in this offering was qualified in two respects:
 - 1) The sin was done "unintentionally" or "in ignorance."
 - 2) And it was against "any of the Lord's commands."
- ✘ The details of the sacrifice recognize the various stations and economic situation of the people.
- ✘ Focus: The acknowledgement of sin and the promise of forgiveness. (Hebrews 10:1-14; Leviticus 4:20, 26, 31, 35; 5:10, 13, 16, 18; 6:7)
- ✘ Additional details connected to the typology of Christ:
 - 1) These sacrifices were carried & burned outside the camp.
 - 2) The victim was charged with the sin of the offerer (substitution).
 - 3) The Day of Atonement: Two goats (a sin offering & a scapegoat)

Salvation Prayer

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I Believe You died for my sins on the cross of Calvary.
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✘ MY NEXT STEPS TODAY...

- ☐ **Acknowledge My Sin Nature** ~ Today I own up to my sin nature, my transgression through countless sins, mistakes, shortcomings and failures and I admit them before the Lord.
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- ☐ **Thank Jesus for His Substitutionary Sacrifice** ~ Today I choose to ponder and reflect upon the incredible and meaningful work of Jesus upon the cross of Calvary and I worship Him with thanksgiving for His incredible love for me.
- ☐ **Offer My Life As A Living Sacrifice God** ~ Through worship & praise, thanksgiving to God, and choosing to honor Him in all that I say, in all that I do, and in being conformed daily into the image of Jesus Christ my Savior!



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THE SACRIFICES OF CHRIST

✧ Quiz Yourself: What are the primary principles of the five Old Testament Sacrifices mentioned in Leviticus 1-7?

- 1) The Burnt Offering – The Principle of _____.
- 2) The Meal / Grain Offering – The Principle of _____.
- 3) The Peace / Fellowship Offering – The Principle of _____.
- 4) The Sin Offering – The Principle of _____.
- 5) The Trespass Offering – The Principle of _____.

A DISTINCTION OF TERMS

✧ How might you be better equipped to explain the idea of sin to others in your time of sharing your faith by understanding the distinctions between sin, trespasses, and iniquity?



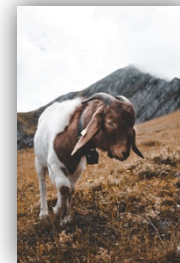
✧ How would the psalmist's prayer in Psalm 32:5 help you to face your sins and walk with integrity before the Lord? Perhaps take a moment individually or as a group and recite this prayer to the Lord.

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✧ How is the concept of substitution most clearly portrayed in the sin offering? (HINT: Consider the Day of Atonement in Leviticus 16:21-22).



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- 1) What does it mean to you personally that Christ was crucified outside the city walls of Jerusalem ("outside the camp")? (See Hebrews 13:12-13)
- 2) Do you think that many Christians understand this concept of typology and appreciate Christ's willingness to suffer in our place by taking our sins upon Himself as our scapegoat? (Ponder 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24; and Isaiah 53)

WE ARE CALLED TO CONFESS **OUR SINS TO GOD**

✧ How do you practice confessing your sins to God? Do you have a certain method (prayer, song, recitation, poem, scripture) that you use in confessing? (Consider this prayer of John Baillie that I enjoy reciting: <https://www.thisdayipray.com/?p=41&m=1>).

