

Rabbi's Reflections - Thursday, April 2, 2026
Shalom {{firstName}},

Psalms
Psalm 50:7-15 – Part 8

Psalm 50:7 “Hear, My people, and I will speak, O Israel, and I will testify against you: I am God, your God. 8 I do not rebuke you for your sacrifices, for your burnt offerings are continually before Me. 9 I have no need of a bull from your house nor goats from your pens. 10 For every beast of the forest is Mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills. 11 I know every bird of the mountains. Everything moving in the field is Mine. 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you—for the world is Mine and all it contains! 13 Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats 14 Offer God a sacrifice of thank offerings, then fulfill your vows to Elyon. 15 Call upon Me in the day of trouble. When I rescue you, you will honor Me.”

You might expect I would write twice on such a long section of Scripture. God is speaking and calling upon us to listen, while making it clear there is nothing in our offerings that He requires. They still have value for us. Our sacrifices are for our own benefit, but there is a prerequisite called the “thank offering.” The greater reality is not the physical sacrifice, but the spiritual one.

A really smart Messianic rabbi wrote the Book of Hebrews... **Hebrews 13:15 Through Yeshua then, let us continually offer up to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips giving thanks to His name.** What was that, “continually?” **Psalm 135:1 Halleluyah! Praise the Name of Adonai. Give praise, O servants of Adonai.**

Why is it called a “sacrifice of praise?” **Psalm 51:18 For You would not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it, nor be pleased by burnt offerings. 19 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit. A broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.** The most godly men I have known have continually been broken at deeper levels before God.

Rabbi Trail: Moses wrote this in the Torah... **Numbers 12:3 Now the man Moses was very humble, more so than anyone on the face of the**

earth. It takes a truly humble man to be so straightforward concerning his own humility. End RT.

Today (Thursday, April 2nd) is the first day of Passover. While marking a great historical event, the greater reality (and purpose for the Seder) is to mark our own deliverance and freedom from slavery to sin. When confronted with such a wonderful outcome, how can we act as if nothing is changed? **Psalm 126:3 Adonai has done great things for us—we are joyful!** Let's celebrate the Passover! Shalom shalom.

Daily Bread, reading plan by Lars Enarson (<https://www.thewatchman.org/>)
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Ex 12:21-51, Nu 28:16-25 Jos 3:5-7; 5:2-6:1, 27 1 Co 5:6-8