

THE ACCEPTABLE



SACRIFICE

The Acceptable Sacrifice...

SCRIPTURES TO STUDY

- The Sacrifice of Praise: Hebrews 13:15
AMPC
- The Lamb of God: 1 Peter 1:18-20 NLT
- Living Sacrifice: Romans 12:1 NLT, 2
Corinthians 2:15 NLT

MAIN POINTS, DEFINITIONS & APPLICATION

- In Hebrew culture - When they hear “sacrifice” they hear purity, beauty, perfection, holiness, mercy
- In Western Culture - When we hear “sacrifice” we hear inconvenience, letting go of/losing something, or death to something.
- The “sacrifice of praise” is the lifting up of pure, carefully crafted words of adoration and admonishing, from a state of reflection on the goodness and holiness of God, based in fear.
- The sacrifice of praise is not a sacrifice for me...it's a sacrifice from me.
- Ritual sacrifices were often rigorous, intentional, detail-oriented, life or death matters. When presenting an offering to God, the hope was that it would be “acceptable” to Him and up to His standards.
- Jesus is not only the Lamb of God because He's God's son, but because He was God's carefully chosen, pure, precious sacrifice, presented to us on the altar of the cross, so we might receive/accept Him, His love and all that results from Oneness with Him.
- Sacrifice requires death but we're called to be a living sacrifice. Jesus died a physical death so that we don't have to!

ASK YOURSELF:

- Have I received and accepted God's sacrifice?

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WHAT'S NEXT??

- “One who is light functions with dominance over internal and external atmospheres.”

1. Inner Darkness is eradicated - self doubt, insecurity, fear, anxiety, depression
2. Outer Darkness is effected - you are empowered beyond external circumstances and atmospheres, and can change them.
3. When you meditate on the Lamb of God, intimacy and communion with the Lord will be deepened, and the fear of the Lord will be heightened.



THE SACRIFICE OF PRAISE

Fearfully lifting up of pure, carefully crafted and intentional words of adoration and admonishment, from a state of reflection on the goodness and holiness of God.



THE LAMB OF GOD

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