

The Presence: Guilt Offerings

Leviticus 5:14-6:7

INTRODUCTION

- Today, we look at the fifth of the five major offerings, and the second compulsory offering: The Guilt Offering (**READ THE TEXT**)
- What we see here today, is that God desires to dwell in the midst of His people, and He will not dwell in the midst of sin and guilt. Sin is to be sin, according to the Guilt offering, as a debt that is to be repaid.
- Consider this as your charge from the New Testament: **1 Peter 1:13-21**

Sins Against God (Lev.5:14-19)

A) Sins against holy things (5:14-16)

- a. Breach of Faith (against religious law)
- b. Sacred elements used in Worship (for the temple sanctuary)
 - i. Elements
 - ii. Food used in Offerings
 - iii. Tithes and financial gifts
- c. The Guilt Offering
 - i. Bring a Costly Sacrifice
 - ii. Make Restitution (financial reparation plus 20%)
 - iii. Atonement by Priest
 - iv. Receive Forgiveness

B) Sins of unrealized offense (5:17-19)

- a. Could relate to the first, just unrealized (guilt remains, however)
- b. The Guilt Offering
 - i. Realized Guilt (Includes the feeling and the condition)
 - ii. Bring a Costly Sacrifice
 - iii. Atonement by Priest
 - iv. Receive Forgiveness

Sins Against Man (Lev.6:1-7)

A) Breach of Faith (Against the Lord)

- a. Deception related to financial / property deposits (payment for goods or services)
- b. Stealing
- c. Oppressing or lying about lost items
- d. Swearing Falsely

B) The Guilt Offering

- a. Restitution
- b. A Costly Sacrifice
- c. Atonement by Priest
- d. Receive Forgiveness

Truth Applied...

- A) God is Holy and no sin of any kind can be overlooked - He will dwell in the midst of His people
- B) All sin (against the things of God or man) is ultimately against God and, therefore, incurs guilt
 - a. **Psalm 51:2-4**
 - b. **Jeremiah 3:25**
- C) The evidence of authentic repentance is restitution. Correcting the horizontal relationships precedes correcting the vertical relationship.
 - a. **Luke 19:8-9**
 - b. **Matt.5:23-24**

- c. So, it makes sense that the Guilt Offering conjoins the offenses of instruments used in worship and the relationship of worshippers.
- D) The removal of guilt requires the shedding of blood. Christ has shed His blood to remove the guilt of those who believe for all of time.
 - a. **Isaiah 53**
 - b. **Hebrews 10:11-18**
 - c. **Acts 13:36-41**
- E) Fellowship with God and man is evidence of being in relationship with God. Those who know Him, want to be blameless before Him.
 - a. **1 John 1:6**
 - b. **1 John 1:7**