

Immerse Day 42 :: Mar. 30 (by Pastor Paul Couleur)

1. Burnt Offerings

Purpose: To make payment for sins in General

Significance: showed a person's devotion to God. Christ's death was the perfect offering.

2. Grain Offering

Purpose: To show honor and respect to God in worship

Significance: Acknowledge that all we have belongs to God.

3. Peace Offering

Purpose: To express gratitude to God.

Significance: Symbolizes peace and fellowship with God.

4. Sin Offering

Purpose: To make payment for unintentional neglect, sins of uncleanness, or thoughtlessness.

Significance: Restore the sinner to fellowship with God; showed seriousness of sin.

5. Guilt Offering

Purpose: To make payment for sins against God and others. A sacrifice was made to God and the injured person was repaid or compensated.

Significance- Provided compensation for injured parties.

When reading through this section I found myself thanking God for revealing a desire and a plan to address sin in the lives of people he loves so deeply. The Lord provides a way to be purified of sin, return to right standing, and to be forgiven. Moses is to uniquely respond to the sins of the high priest, communal sin, Israel's leaders, and for the common person. The Lord names that some will commit sins intentionally and unintentional, and concludes they are both guilty of sin. God commands specific actions are to be taken as a practice of confession, repentance, and reconciliation.

If you read closely throughout a message of forgiveness is repeated: "Through this process, the priest will purify the people, making them right with the Lord, and they will be forgiven." In the pages of Leviticus, we hear the desire to God's heart for those that follow after him to be purified, in right standing before God, and living with the assurance they are forgiven of their sins. How wonderful it is to hear that what is ultimately desired ends in a place where you are forgiven. God has shown time and time again to be a God of redemption, reconciliation, forgiveness, and grace. The practice of offerings and sacrifices was not a suggestion rather a command for those that desire to follow him.

Prayer: *God of grace, I have sinned against you and my neighbor knowingly and unknowingly. Will you hear this honest confession today? Lord I pray you I may know your grace and forgiveness. That I may turn from my sins, give thanks for your forgiveness, be found in right standing before you, and give you thanks for your Son Jesus that paid it all. God thank you for the grace you have given to all that have fallen short of your glory. Amen.*