

CHRIST TYPIFIED BY THE OLD TESTAMENT OFFERINGS

INTRODUCTION - The work of our Lord Jesus is depicted in the Old Testament in the many offerings and sacrifices described therein. No single offering could fully portray what He did, but each makes clear some aspect of His work. The five offerings outlined below are given in their experimental order, i.e., the order in which the different aspects of the offering of Christ are normally appreciated.

1. THE TRESPASS OFFERING - Lev. 5; Lev. 7:1-7 Lev. 5:6 "offering for his sin which he hath sinned". This offering typifies Christ's atonement for the individual sins we have committed, our transgressions of the law, See I Cor. 15:3; 1 Pet. 2:24; Col. 2:13.

2. THE SIN OFFERING - Lev. 4; Lev. 6:24-30 Lev. 4:2 "Sin thru ignorance," i.e., naturally. We find that our sins are the fruit of a sinful nature. Matt. 15:19. SIN produces SINS. In the sin-offering we see that Christ "was made SIN for us" 2 Cor. 5:21, and "put away SIN by the sacrifice of Himself", Heb. 9:26, John 1:29.

3. THE PEACE OFFERING - Lev. 3; Lev. 7:11-36 After the guilt and punishment of our sin have been removed, we have peace with God, Rom. 5:1. By nature we are at enmity with God; thru the sacrifice of Christ we have peace. Col. 1:20 & Eph. 2:13, 14. "In Christ God and sinner meet in peace; God is propitiated, the sinner reconciled-both alike satisfied with what Christ has done." (Scofield)

4. THE MEAT (MEAL) OFFERING - Lev. 2; Lev. 6:14-18 The meal-offering typifies Christ's perfect nature and sinless life. I Pet. 2:21-24. he was well-pleasing to God, Our own characters and lives are not acceptable to God, but we are accepted because of Christ. Eph. 1:6.

5. THE BURNT OFFERING - Lev. 1; Lev. 6:8-13 This offering is the basis of the others. It was offered VOLUNTARILY (Lev. 1:3) and typifies Christ who, because of His delight to do the Father's will, offered Himself without spot to God. Heb. 10:47, 10; Heb. 9:14. The priests received no part of this offering; it was wholly consumed upon the altar.

6. THE CREATURES TO BE OFFERED - (Scofield's note on Lev. 1) Bullock-Christ the Servant, obedient unto death. Phil. 2:7, 8.

Sheep - Christ our sinless substitute. Acts 8:32-35.

Goat-Christ made sin for us. 2 Cor. 5:21.

Dove-(The offering of the poor Lev. 5:7) Christ in poverty for us. 2 Cor. 8:9; Luke 9:58.