

Parshah Insights 2022

Parshah: Vayikra

(Leviticus 1-5)

#1

Romans 12:1-2

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as **a living sacrifice**, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

#2

Revelation 20:6

... but they will be priests of God and of Messiah, and they will **reign with Him** for a thousand years.

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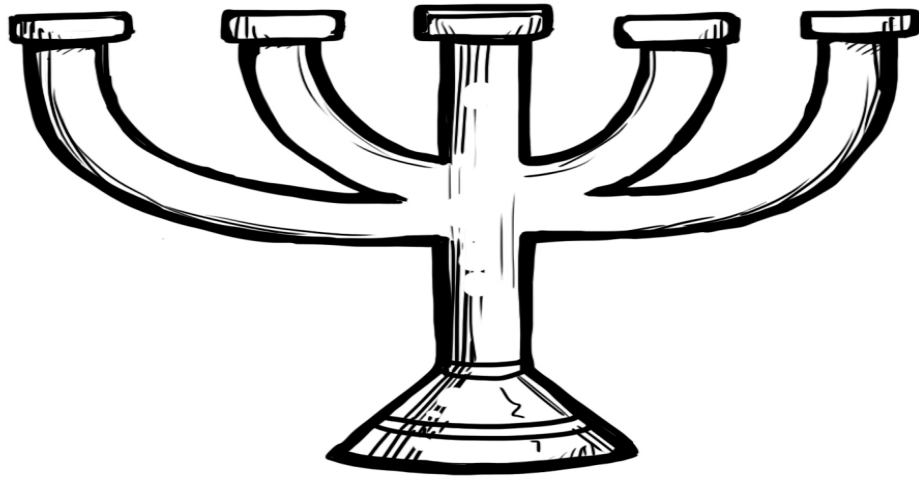
Melchizedek

Leviticus 1:1

Adonai **called** Moses and spoke to him from the tent of meeting, saying...



Deut. Numbers Lev. Exodus Genesis



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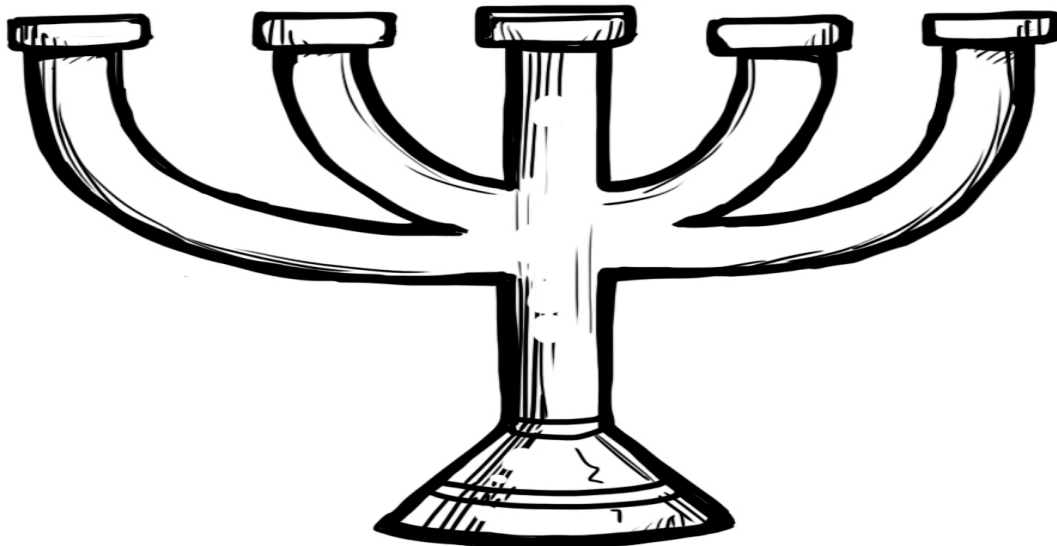


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Seven Fundamentals of the Sacrificial System:

1. Most of the sacrifices were voluntary.
2. Sacrifices had little to do with sin.
3. Most of the sacrifices were eaten.
4. Yeshua's death did not make the sacrificial system obsolete.
5. The sacrifices will resume when the Temple & Priesthood are restored. (Jeremiah 33:14-22)
6. Jews have never believed that sacrifices remove sin, forgive sin or provide salvation.
7. There was no sacrifice for a willful sin.

קרבן
(*korban*)
“offering”

קרב



"to draw near"

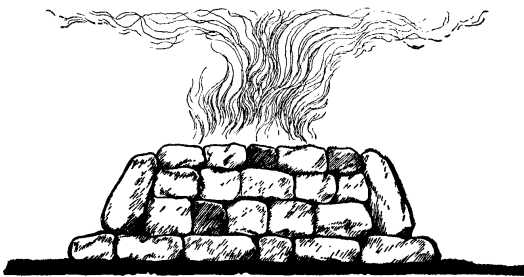


"innards"

Leviticus 1:9

... but its **innards** and its legs he shall wash with water. And the priest shall burn all of it on the altar, as a burnt offering, a food offering with a pleasing aroma to Adonai.

Death & Dying in the Animal Kingdom



Sacrifice

Attack

Injury

Illness

Starvation

~~Old Age~~

Ch.1

Elevation / Burnt

עֹלָה (*olah*)

Ch.2

Thanksgiving

מִנְחָה (*minchah*)

Ch.3

Peace

שְׁלָמִים (*shalomim*)

4:1 - 5:13

Sin

חַטָּאת (*chatat*)

5:14-26

Guilt

אֲשָׁם (*asham*)



The Golden Altar

Discussion Questions:

- People, in general, have many misconceptions about the biblical sacrificial system. How many of these misconceptions can you identify?
- From memory, name the five major kinds of sacrifices in order.
- Discuss the priesthood of Melchizedek and how it applies to us as disciples of Yeshua.
- Discuss the all-important word *karav* (קרַב) and how it is used in Leviticus. (How many times can you find this root in 1:1-9?)

NOTES:

Sacrifice is a wrestling match concerning ownership and it is a way of demonstrating that all things belong to God. It is "...returning to the Master that which was entrusted to man's care..." (R' J.B. Soloveitchik)

Revelation 1:6 ...and made us a **kingdom, priests** to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:10 "...and You have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

Revelation 20:6 ... but they will be priests of God and of Messiah, and they will reign with Him for a thousand years.

Genesis 14:18-20 And **Melchizedek** king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.) And he blessed [Abram] and said, "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!" And Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

Psalms 110:4 Adonai has sworn and will not change His mind, "You are a priest forever after the order of **Melchizedek**."

Numbers 23:16 And Adonai **met** [ויקרא] Balaam and put a word in his mouth ...

Deuteronomy 12:31 You shall not worship Adonai your God in that way, for every abominable thing that Adonai hates they have done for their gods, for they even burn their sons and their daughters in the fire to their gods.

Isaiah 29:13 And Adonai said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor Me with their lips, while their hearts are far from Me, and their fear of Me is a commandment taught by men..."

Jeremiah 33:14-22 "Behold, the days are coming, declares Adonai, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵ In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and He shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'Adonai is Our Righteousness.' For thus says Adonai: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel, ¹⁸ and the Levitical priests shall never lack a man in my presence to offer burnt offerings, to burn grain offerings, and to make sacrifices forever."

The word of Adonai came to Jeremiah: ²⁰ "Thus says Adonai: If you can break My covenant with the day and My covenant with the night, so that day and night will not come at their appointed time, ²¹ then also My covenant with David My servant may be broken, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne, and My covenant with the Levitical priests My ministers. ²² As the host of heaven cannot be numbered and the sands of the sea cannot be measured, so I will multiply the offspring of David My servant, and the Levitical priests who minister to Me."