

Fellowship with God: The Peace Offering

Leviticus 3

Read Leviticus 3

Read Deuteronomy 12:7

1.) The Procedure It Follows

A.) What Leviticus 3 Reveals

"both sexes are allowed to ensure that the ample supply of meat needed for this sacrifice was available." — Jacob Milgrom

*"...The fat that covers the entrails and all the fat that is on the entrails, **4** the two kidneys and the fat that is on them by the flanks, and the fatty lobe attached to the liver above the kidneys..." (3:3-4).*

"the whole fat tail which he shall remove close to the backbone (9)."

'Therefore may God give you Of the dew of heaven, Of the fatness of the earth, And plenty of grain and wine.' (Genesis 27:28)

*"**5** and Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt sacrifice..."*

B.) What Leviticus 3 Omits

2.) The Purposes It Served

A.) To Express One's Thankfulness

'...for a thanksgiving...' (7:12)

Deuteronomy 12:7

Psalms 100:4-5

B.) To Confirm One's Vow

Leviticus 7:16

Ecclesiastes 5:4-6

C.) To Profess One's Love

Psalm 116:12

Leviticus 7:16

D.) To Strengthen One's Communion with God

Psalm 50:9-12

'God desires the sacrifices of His worshippers not because He requires sustenance but because He desires their devotion and their fellowship.'

--Dr. Baruch Levine

3.) The Meaning It Conveys

A.) It Speaks to Our Life in Community

Acts 2:44-47

B.) It Speaks to Our Practice of Communion

C.) It Speaks to Our Motivation in Worship

Hebrews 13:15-16

D.) It Speaks to Our Hope for the Future

Read Isaiah 25:6