

Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur)

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On the tenth day of the seventh month, Israel's High Priest entered the Holy of Holies with blood of atonement for the nation's sin. This solemn fast day, requiring complete cessation from work and affliction of soul, pointed to Christ's once-for-all sacrifice.

Note: Leviticus 16's detailed ritual—the High Priest's multiple washings, the two goats (one sacrificed, one sent away), the blood sprinkled on the mercy seat—all typify aspects of Christ's atoning work. Hebrews 9-10 expounds these typological connections, showing Christ entered heaven itself with His own blood.

Key Verses

Leviticus 16:30

For on that day shall the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD.

Hebrews 9:12

Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

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