

Exodus 29:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And thou shalt cause a bullock to be brought before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the bullock.

Analysis

The burnt offering represents complete dedication to God—the entire animal consumed by fire, ascending as sweet savor to the LORD. This prefigures Christ's total self-offering, holding nothing back, His life completely devoted to God's glory. The fire consuming the offering pictures divine acceptance—God receives Christ's sacrifice with pleasure. Our worship, offered through Christ, also ascends as fragrant offering acceptable to God.

Historical Context

The burnt offering (**הַלְּعֵד**, olah, 'that which ascends') was one of Israel's primary sacrifices, representing voluntary dedication to God. Unlike sin offerings (which addressed guilt), burnt offerings expressed worshipful consecration.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How did Christ give Himself 'completely' (burnt offering) rather than partially?
2. What does it mean that your worship ascends to God 'through Christ'?

Interlinear Text

אַתָּה	וְהִבְרֹא	בְּפִרְאָה	לִפְנֵי	אֶל
to be brought	H853	And thou shalt cause a bullock	before	the tabernacle
H7126		H6499	H6440	H168
מֹעֵד	מִזְבֵּחַ	אֶת	וּבְנֵי	עַל
of the congregation	H4150	shall put	and Aaron	and his sons
		H5564	H175	H853
			H1121	their hands
				H3027
רַאשְׁךָ	בְּפִרְאָה			
upon the head	And thou shalt cause a bullock			
H7218	H6499			

Additional Cross-References

Leviticus 1:4 (Parallel theme): And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.

Leviticus 8:14 (Parallel theme): And he brought the bullock for the sin offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the bullock for the sin offering.

Exodus 29:19 (Parallel theme): And thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.

Exodus 29:15 (Parallel theme): Thou shalt also take one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.