

Exodus 29:11

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

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 (*הַלְעֵת*, 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 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

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

וְשָׁמַרְתָּךְ	אֶת	בְּפָנָי	לְפָנֵי	יְהוָה	בְּתַחַת
And thou shalt kill	H853	the bullock	before	the LORD	by the door
H7819		H6499	H6440	H3068	H6607
אֶל	מָקוֹם				
of the tabernacle	of the congregation				
H168	H4150				

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