

Exodus 29:14

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

But the flesh of the bullock, and his skin, and his dung, shalt thou burn with fire without the camp: it is a sin offering.

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

וְאַתָּה	בָּשָׂר	בְּפִרְשָׁת	וְאַתָּה	עָרָר	וְאַתָּה	פְּרִשָּׁת
H853	But the flesh	of the bullock	H853	and his skin	H853	and his dung
	H1320	H6499		H5785		H6569
שָׁתָּה תְּבָא	בָּאֵשׁ	מִן-זֶה	לִפְנֵי הַמַּחְנֵה	חַטָּאת אֲתָה	הַזָּהָב	
shalt thou burn	with fire	without	the camp	it is a sin offering	H1931	
H8313	H784	H2351	H4264	H2403		

Additional Cross-References

Leviticus 4:21 (Sin): And he shall carry forth the bullock without the camp, and burn him as he burned the first bullock: it is a sin offering for the congregation.

Exodus 30:10 (Sin): And Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it once in a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations: it is most holy unto the LORD.

2 Chronicles 29:24 (Sin): And the priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with their blood upon the altar, to make an atonement for all Israel: for the king commanded that the burnt offering and the sin offering should be made for all Israel.

Ezra 8:35 (Sin): Also the children of those that had been carried away, which were come out of the captivity, offered burnt offerings unto the God of Israel, twelve bullocks for all Israel, ninety and six rams, seventy and seven lambs, twelve he goats for a sin offering: all this was a burnt offering unto the LORD.