

Ezekiel 43:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And when these days are expired, it shall be, that upon the eighth day, and so forward, the priests shall make your burnt offerings upon the altar, and your peace offerings; and I will accept you, saith the Lord GOD.

Analysis

And when these days are expired, it shall be, that upon the eighth day, and so forward—After seven-day consecration, וְהָיָה בַּיּוֹם הַשְּׁמִינִי (wěhāyāh bayyôm hashshēmîni, 'and it shall be on the eighth day') וְהָלַךְ (wāhālě'āh, 'and onward')—regular worship begins.

The priests shall make your burnt offerings upon the altar, and your peace offerings—עֲלֹתֵיכֶם ('ōlôtêkhem, 'your burnt offerings') and שְׁלָמֵיכֶם (shalmêkhem, 'your peace offerings'). Burnt offerings (total dedication) and peace offerings (fellowship with God) resume. **And I will accept you, saith the Lord GOD**—וְקִבַּלְתִּי אֶתְכֶם (wěṛāšîti 'etkhem, 'and I will accept you'). The goal of consecration: divine acceptance. God's pleasure in worship, made possible by atonement, is worship's ultimate purpose. Christ's sacrifice secured permanent acceptance (Ephesians 1:6); believers offer spiritual sacrifices (praise, good works) that please God (Hebrews 13:15-16).

Historical Context

The eighth day (after seven-day consecration) signified new beginning—seen in circumcision (Genesis 17:12), priestly ordination (Leviticus 9:1), and cleansing rituals (Leviticus 14:10). Ezekiel's vision continues this pattern. Theologically,

eight represents resurrection (Jesus rose on first day of new week, day eight of Passion week), new creation, and eternal life. Regular worship beginning on day eight points to eternal worship in new creation.

Related Passages

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. What does the 'eighth day' symbolize in Scripture (new beginning, resurrection)?
2. How does God's acceptance (v. 27) relate to justification by faith?
3. What 'spiritual sacrifices' do New Testament believers offer (Hebrews 13:15-16, Romans 12:1)?

Interlinear Text

וְיָכַל וְ	אֶת	בֵּי יוֹם	וְהָיָה	בֵּי יוֹם
are expired	H853	And when these days	H1961	And when these days
H3615		H3117		H3117
וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה
it shall be that upon the eighth	and so forward	shall make	the priests	H5921
H8066	H1973	H6213	H3548	
וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה
upon the altar	H853	your burnt offerings	H853	and your peace offerings
H4196		H5930		H8002
וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה	וְהָיָה
and I will accept	H853	you saith	the Lord	GOD
H7521		H5002	H136	H3069

Additional Cross-References

Leviticus 9:1 (Parallel theme): And it came to pass on the eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel;

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