

Ezekiel 46:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

Thou shalt daily prepare a burnt offering unto the LORD of a lamb of the first year without blemish: thou shalt prepare it every morning. The tamid (תָּמִיד, 'continual') offering anchors each day's worship—a kebes (קֶבֶשׂ, yearling lamb) tamim (תָּמִימָן, perfect/unblemished) sacrificed baboker baboker (בָּבֶקֶר בָּבֶקֶר) ('morning by morning'). This mirrors Exodus 29:38-42's perpetual morning and evening lambs, though Ezekiel mentions only morning, perhaps focusing on worship's inauguration.

The daily lamb foreshadows John 1:29's proclamation: 'Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world!' Christ's once-for-all sacrifice (Hebrews 10:10-14) fulfills what these daily offerings symbolized—continual cleansing and access to God. Lamentations 3:22-23 celebrates mercies 'new every morning'—the daily lamb enacted this truth liturgically.

Historical Context

The tamid offering survived even during temple's darkest hours (Daniel 8:11-13; 11:31), making its suspension a covenant crisis. Post-exile restoration prioritized reinstating daily sacrifices (Ezra 3:3-5). Ezekiel's vision guarantees worship's perpetuity in God's redemptive plan.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How does the daily morning sacrifice model the discipline of beginning each day with consecration to God?
2. In what ways does Christ as the ultimate Lamb of God both fulfill and surpass the endless repetition of Old Testament daily offerings?

Interlinear Text

עֹלֶה בָשָׂר	תַּעֲשֵׂה הַ	שְׁנַת וְבָנָה	תָּמִימָה	לְבַשְׂרָם	בְּשָׂרֵב הַ	עַלְמָה
of a lamb	of the first	year	without blemish	prepare	a burnt offering	
H3532	H1121	H8141	H8549	H6213	H5930	

Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 50:4 (References Lord): The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.

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