

Leviticus 3

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The Peace Offering

¹ And if his oblation be a sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer it of the herd; whether it be a male or female, he shall offer it without blemish before the LORD.

² And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.

³ And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,

⁴ And the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

⁵ And Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt sacrifice, which is upon the wood that is on the fire: it is an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

⁶ And if his offering for a sacrifice of peace offering unto the LORD be of the flock; male or female, he shall offer it without blemish.

⁷ If he offer a lamb for his offering, then shall he offer it before the LORD.

⁸ And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons shall sprinkle the blood thereof round about upon the altar.

⁹ And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat thereof, and the whole rump, it shall he take off hard by the

backbone; and the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,

10 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

11 And the priest shall burn it upon the altar: it is the food of the offering made by fire unto the LORD.

12 And if his offering be a goat, then he shall offer it before the LORD.

13 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of it, and kill it before the tabernacle of the congregation: and the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round about.

14 And he shall offer thereof his offering, even an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,

15 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

16 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar: it is the food of the offering made by fire for a sweet savour: all the fat is the LORD'S.

17 It shall be a perpetual statute for your generations throughout all your dwellings, that ye eat neither fat nor blood.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Altar — מִזְבֵּחַ (Mizbeach)

Altar, place of sacrifice

The Hebrew **mizbeach** (מִזְבֵּחַ) means altar—from the root 'to slaughter.' Altars were places where sacrifices were offered to God, pointing forward to Christ's ultimate sacrifice.

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Blood — דָּם (Dam)

Blood

The Hebrew **dam** (דָּם) means blood—representing life itself. 'The life of the flesh is in the blood' (Leviticus 17:11), and blood was required for atonement, foreshadowing Christ's sacrifice.

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Lord — אֲדֹנָי / יְהוָה (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יְהוָה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Priest — כֹּהֵן (Kohen)

Priest

The Hebrew **kohen** (כֹּהֵן) denotes a priest—one who mediates between God and people through sacrifices and intercession. Aaron and his descendants served as Israel's priests, foreshadowing Christ the Great High Priest.

Sacrifice — זֶבַח (Zevach)

Sacrifice, offering

The Hebrew **zevach** (זֶבַח) denotes a sacrifice or offering—an animal slaughtered for worship. Old Testament sacrifices foreshadowed Christ, 'the Lamb of God' (John 1:29).

CROSS REFERENCES

Leviticus 3:1 **Sacrifice:** Leviticus 1:3; Numbers 6:14; Amos 5:22. **Parallel theme:** Hebrews 10:22; 1 John 1:3

Leviticus 3:2 **Temple:** Exodus 29:10

Leviticus 3:3 **Sacrifice:** Exodus 29:13. **Parallel theme:** Exodus 29:22; Matthew 15:8

Leviticus 3:4 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 3:10

Leviticus 3:5 **Sacrifice:** Leviticus 6:12; Exodus 29:13; 1 Peter 2:5

Leviticus 3:7 **Sacrifice:** 1 Kings 8:62

Leviticus 3:8 **Blood:** Leviticus 1:5

Leviticus 3:9 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 9:19; Exodus 29:22

Leviticus 3:11

Creation: Leviticus 3:5; 3:16; 21:6; Numbers 28:2. **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 21:17; 22:25; Ezekiel 44:7. **References Lord:** Leviticus 21:8. **Sacrifice:** Malachi 1:7

Leviticus 3:13 **Blood:** Leviticus 3:8

Leviticus 3:16 **Sacrifice:** Isaiah 53:10. **References Lord:** Matthew 22:37

Leviticus 3:17 **Blood:** Genesis 9:4; Deuteronomy 12:16; 12:23; 15:23; Matthew 26:28; Acts 15:29. **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 3:16; 6:18; 7:23; 17:7

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