

Leviticus 7:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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This verse falls within the section on **Further Offering Regulations**. Additional laws concerning offerings, including prohibitions on eating fat and blood, establishing boundaries for holy things.

The five main offerings (burnt, grain, peace, sin, and guilt) addressed different aspects of relationship with God, all fulfilled in Christ's comprehensive sacrifice. Every sacrifice and ritual in Leviticus points forward to Jesus Christ, who fulfills the entire sacrificial system as both perfect sacrifice and eternal high priest.

Historical Context

Additional laws concerning offerings, including prohibitions on eating fat and blood, establishing boundaries for holy things. Leviticus was given to Israel at Mount Sinai, shortly after the tabernacle's construction described in Exodus. The name 'Leviticus' (from Latin Leviticus, referring to the Levites) reflects its focus on priestly duties, though the Hebrew title Wayyiqra ('And He called') emphasizes God's initiative in revealing these laws. The first seven chapters detail the five main offerings, providing both worshiper instructions and priestly procedures. Ancient Near Eastern cultures had various sacrificial systems, but Israel's sacrificial worship was unique in its ethical foundation, monotheistic framework,

and emphasis on atonement rather than appeasement. Unlike pagan rituals focused on manipulating deities, Israel's sacrifices acknowledged God's sovereignty and sought reconciliation based on His gracious provision. Archaeological discoveries at sites like Ugarit reveal Canaanite religious practices Israel's laws explicitly rejected, confirming the Bible's historical reliability and the distinctiveness of Israelite worship.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

1 John 4:8 — God is love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Study Questions

1. What does this verse teach about the costliness of true worship and dedication to God?
2. What practical steps can you take this week to apply the principles taught in this verse?
3. How does this verse point to Christ, and how does that deepen your faith and gratitude?

Interlinear Text

עַל	חֵלֶת	לֶחֶם	חֵמֶץ	יִקְרֶה יֵב	קֶרְבֵּן וְ	עַל
H5921	Besides the cakes	bread	leavened	he shall offer	for his offering	H5921
	H2471	H3899	H2557	H7126	H7133	
וְ בַח	תּוֹדַת	שְׁלָמֵי:				
with the sacrifice	of thanksgiving	of his peace offerings				
H2077	H8426	H8002				

Additional Cross-References

Amos 4:5 (Sacrifice): And offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving with leaven, and proclaim and publish the free offerings: for this liketh you, O ye children of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

Leviticus 23:17 (Parallel theme): Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the LORD.

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