

Numbers 28:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

This is the burnt offering of every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

Analysis

The phrase 'beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering' emphasizes that special offerings supplement rather than replace regular worship. The Sabbath additions didn't eliminate daily morning and evening offerings but augmented them. This teaches that extraordinary devotion should build on, not substitute for, ordinary faithfulness. Special seasons of prayer, fasting, or devotion are valuable when they enhance, not replace, regular disciplines. The Reformed emphasis on regular means of grace alongside special providences is illustrated.

Historical Context

The cumulative effect of daily plus Sabbath offerings meant substantial worship on the seventh day. The community gathered, hearing the law read and explained, while witnessing multiple sacrifices. This combination of word and sacrament (offerings) created comprehensive Sabbath worship. The pattern prefigured New Testament Lord's Day observance with preaching, prayer, and sacraments.

Related Passages

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How do special seasons of devotion relate to regular spiritual disciplines?
2. What does adding to rather than replacing regular worship teach about spiritual formation?
3. In what ways should extraordinary devotion enhance rather than exhaust our spiritual life?

Interlinear Text

עֹלָת	בְּשַׁבָּת וְ	בְּשַׁבָּת וְ	עֹל
This is the burnt offering	of every sabbath	of every sabbath	H5921
H5930	H7676	H7676	
עֹלָת	הַתָּמִיד	וְנֹסֶכָה:	
This is the burnt offering	beside the continual	and his drink offering	
H5930	H8548	H5262	

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