

Numbers 28:24

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

After this manner ye shall offer daily, throughout the seven days, the meat of the sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: it shall be offered beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

Analysis

God commands: 'After this manner ye shall offer daily, throughout the seven days, the meat of the sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.' During Unleavened Bread week following Passover, daily offerings continued with special additions. The Hebrew 'reiach nichoach' (sweet savour) indicates offerings pleasing to God - anthropomorphic language showing God delights in His people's worship. The seven-day pattern emphasizes completeness and dedication. These offerings foreshadowed Christ who offered Himself as 'a sweet smelling savour' to God (Eph 5:2). Our lives should likewise be continual offerings pleasing to God (Rom 12:1), not sporadic or grudging service but sustained joyful devotion.

Historical Context

Unleavened Bread lasted seven days following Passover (v.16-25), commemorating Israel's hasty Exodus from Egypt when they carried unleavened dough (Ex 12:34). Each day required burnt offerings, grain offerings, drink offerings, and sin offering. This week-long celebration combined remembrance of deliverance with sustained worship and rest (first and seventh days were Sabbaths, v.18, 25). The daily repetition emphasized that redemption should prompt continuous thanksgiving, not momentary celebration. Paul applied this spiritually: 'Christ our

passover is sacrificed for us: Therefore let us keep the feast' (1 Cor 5:7-8) - perpetual celebration of redemption through holy living.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. Is your worship characterized by sustained devotion throughout the week, or only sporadic moments on Sundays?
2. How can you make your entire life a 'sweet savour' to God through continuous obedient service and grateful worship?

Interlinear Text

כֹּאֲ לָהּ H428	יַעֲשֶׂה הָ H6213	יָמֵי יִם H3117	שְׁבַע ת H7651	יָמֵי יִם H3117
	After this manner ye shall offer	daily	throughout the seven	daily
לֶחֶם H3899	אֲשֶׁר הָ H801	רִיחַ H7381	נִיחַ הָ H5207	לִיהוָה הָ H3068
the meat	of the sacrifice made by fire	savour	of a sweet	unto the LORD
				H5921
עֹלֹת ת H5930	הַתָּמִיד יָד H8548	יַעֲשֶׂה הָ H6213		
burnt offering	beside the continual	After this manner ye shall offer		
וְנִסְכָּיו H5262				
and his drink offering				