

Numbers 29:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner:

Analysis

Their meat offering and their drink offerings—The minchah (מִנְחָה, grain offering) and nesek (נֶסֶק, drink offering) accompanied each burnt offering **according to their number, after the manner** (k'mishpatam, כַּמִּשְׁפָּטָם, according to their ordinance). These additions are detailed in Numbers 15:1-12, with amounts varying by animal size.

The repetition of this formula throughout the festival underscores that worship is not spontaneous emotionalism but covenantal obedience. The grain and wine offerings symbolized the fruit of labor, acknowledging God's provision in harvest. This structured devotion prefigures the New Testament's "reasonable service" (Romans 12:1).

Historical Context

The grain offerings used fine flour mixed with oil, and drink offerings were wine poured out at the altar's base. These represented Israel's agricultural prosperity, consecrating the harvest back to God during the fall ingathering festival. The detailed "manner" or "ordinance" ensured uniformity across generations.

Related Passages

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

Study Questions

1. How does the prescribed "manner" of offerings challenge contemporary worship preferences for spontaneity over structure?
2. In what ways do you offer the "fruit of your labor" back to God as these grain and drink offerings symbolized?
3. What does the repetitive nature of these commands teach about faithful, long-term obedience?

Interlinear Text

וּמִנְחָתָם	וְנִסְכֵּיהֶם	לִפְרִים	לְאֵילִם
And their meat offering	and their drink offerings	for the bullocks	for the rams
H4503	H5262	H6499	H352
וּלְכֶבֶשׂ יִם	בְּמִסְפָּרָם	כַּמִּשְׁפָּט:	
and for the lambs	shall be according to their number	after the manner	
H3532	H4557	H4941	

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