

Numbers 7:43

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

His offering was one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty shekels, a silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

Analysis

The silver charger and bowl with specified weights continue the pattern of precise, prescribed worship. The consistency across offerings demonstrates that God's standard doesn't shift based on who is worshiping or when. This immutability of divine expectation provides both clarity and security—we know what God requires and can be confident that His acceptance doesn't depend on our performance but on meeting His revealed standard through grace. Christ perfectly fulfilled these standards on our behalf.

Historical Context

The sanctuary shekel was the official standard weight, ensuring fairness and preventing fraud. Using this standardized measure meant offerings could be compared and verified. The precision prevented disputes and ensured that wealth differences didn't create worship inequality—all brought the same amount.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How does knowing God's standards are unchanging provide confidence in worship?
2. What does standardized expectation teach about equality before God?
3. In what ways does Christ's perfect fulfillment of God's standards free us from performance anxiety?

Interlinear Text

וְמִאֵת	שְׁלֹשׁ	יָמִים	אֶפְךָ	כִּסְף	כִּסְף	קְרֻבָּן	וְקְרֻבָּת	קְרֻבָּן וְ	His offering
									charger
H7967	H7970	H3967	H259	H3701	H7086	H7133			shekels a silver
									was one
			H259	H3701	H7086	H7133			and thirty
									of an hundred
בְּשֶׂלֶת	שְׁבַע	יָמִים	אֶפְךָ	כִּסְף	כִּסְף	מִזְבֵּחַ	מִזְבֵּחַ	מִזְבֵּחַ	of the weight
									bowl
H8255	H7657	H4219	H259	H3701	H7086	H4948			was one
									shekels a silver
									of seventy
									after the shekel
בְּלֹיל	ה	סְלִתָּה	מְלִיאָה	יָמִים	שְׁנִינָה	מִזְבֵּחַ	בְּשֶׂלֶת	בְּשֶׂלֶת	after the shekel
									of the sanctuary
H1101	H5560	H4392	H8147	H6944	H4219	H259	H8255		both
									of them full
									of fine flour
									mingled
בְּשֶׂלֶת	לְמִנְחָה:	בְּשֶׂלֶת	לְמִנְחָה:	לְמִנְחָה:	לְמִנְחָה:	לְמִנְחָה:	לְמִנְחָה:	לְמִנְחָה:	with oil for a meat offering
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Additional Cross-References

Leviticus 14:10 (Sacrifice): And on the eighth day he shall take two he lambs without blemish, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish, and three tenth deals of fine flour for a meat offering, mingled with oil, and one log of oil.

Leviticus 2:5 (Sacrifice): And if thy oblation be a meat offering baken in a pan, it shall be of fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil.

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