

Psalms 50:9

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds.

Analysis

God's needlessness: 'I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds.' God does not require Israel's animals as if He lacked resources. The possessive pronouns ('thy house,' 'thy folds') emphasize that the animals belong to the worshiper, not originally to God who needs nothing.

Historical Context

Pagan worship often conceived gods as actually needing food and sustenance. Israel's God owns everything already; sacrifices express relationship, not supply divine needs.

Related Passages

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does this verse challenge transactional views of worship?
2. What does God's not 'taking' from us suggest about the nature of true offering?

Interlinear Text

לֹא אֶקְרֹב מִבֵּיתךְ מִכְלָאַת יְבָרֶכְךָ עַתּוֹדִים:
H3808 I will take out of thy house no bullock out of thy folds nor he goats
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