

# Psalms 66:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the incense of rams; I will offer bullocks with goats. Selah.

## Analysis

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Burnt offerings of 'fatlings' represent costly worship—not leftover sacrifice but the best animals (Leviticus 22:19-20). The mention of 'incense' may refer to the aromatic smoke from fat burning on the altar, ascending to God as a pleasing aroma. The variety of animals (bullocks, goats, rams) shows thoroughness in worship, holding nothing back. This anticipates Christ's perfect sacrifice, the ultimate costly offering that fully satisfied divine justice.

## Historical Context

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Under Mosaic law, different animals served different sacrificial purposes, but all required unblemished specimens. The wealthy offered bulls, while the poor offered doves, but all gave proportionally their best to God.

## Related Passages

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**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

## Study Questions

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1. What would constitute a 'costly' offering in your life today—time, treasure, comfort, reputation?

2. How does the aroma of burning incense symbolize prayers and worship ascending to God (Revelation 5:8)?
3. In what ways does Christ's perfect sacrifice free you to worship freely while also inspiring generous giving?

## Interlinear Text

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| עַל לֹאֹת                  | מִיֵּחַ יִם  | אֶעֱלֶה      | לְךָ ה' | עִם         | קֶטְרֶת          |
| unto thee burnt sacrifices | of fatlings  | I will offer | H0      | H5973       | with the incense |
| H5930                      | H4220        | H5927        |         |             | H7004            |
| אֵילִם יִם                 | אֶעֱשֶׂה     | בָּקָר       | עִם     | עִתּוֹד יִם | סֵלָה:           |
| of rams                    | I will offer | bullocks     | H5973   | with goats  | Selah            |
| H352                       | H6213        | H1241        |         | H6260       | H5542            |

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