

“The Way to God”

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Some comparisons to sacrifice in Leviticus.

THE WAY TO GOD: SACRIFICE chapters 1-10

THE WALK WITH GOD: SANCTIFICATION chapters 11-27

5 OFFERINGS IN THE FIRST 7 CHAPTERS

COMMUNICANT OFFERINGS -- “draw near”

1. BURNT
2. MEAL or GRAIN
3. FELLOWSHIP

PROPI TIATORY OFFERINGS

4. SIN
5. TRESPASS

PROPI TIATION: loss of life was merited by our sin the requirement was not only for a just penalty to be paid but also God’s personal wrath needed to be appeased

OT: the animals substituted and their blood covered our sin on mercy seat

TRUTHS FOR MEDITATION ...

1. PROPITIATION BY CHRIST IN NT **TAKES AWAY** SIN.

The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! [Jhn 1:29 NASB]

2. PROPITIATION FOR SIN REQUIRES THE **BLOOD** OF CHRIST.

- *And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. [Hbr 9:22 NASB]*
- *11 'For **the life of the flesh is in the blood**, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.' ... 14 "For as for the life of all flesh, its blood is identified with its life. Therefore I said to the sons of Israel, 'You are not to eat the blood of any flesh, for the life of all flesh is its blood; whoever eats it shall be cut off.' [Lev 17:11, 14 NASB]*

3. PROPITIATION COULD ONLY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY **INCARNATION** OF CHRIST.

- *4 For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins. 5 Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says, "SACRIFICE AND OFFERING YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, BUT **A BODY YOU HAVE PREPARED FOR ME**; [Hbr 10:4-5 NASB]*

4. PROPITIATION WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITH **ONE SACRIFICE** BY CHRIST.

- *12 but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, SAT DOWN AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD, ... 14 For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [Hbr 10:12, 14 NASB]*

5. PROPITIATION IS MADE & JUSTIFICATION COMES THROUGH **FAITH** IN HIS BLOOD

- *24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: 25 Whom God hath set forth [to be] a propitiation. **through faith in his blood**, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; 26 To declare, [I say], at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus. [Rom 3:24-26 KJV]*

- 1) *17 Therefore, in all things He had to be made like [His] brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things [pertaining] to God, to make **propitiation** for the sins of the people. [Hbr 2:17 NKJV]*

- 2) *2 And He Himself is the **propitiation** for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world. [1Jo 2:2 NKJV]*

- 3) *10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son [to be] the **propitiation** for our sins. [1Jo 4:10 NKJV]*