

The Spiritual Significance of the Offerings

The Peace Offering (part 2)

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Heb 13:10 We have an altar, whereof **they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.**

What do those who "serve the tabernacle eat? Look at the previous verse:

Heb 13:9 Be not carried about with **divers and strange doctrines.** For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.

What does the peace offering do that the other offerings do not do? It feeds the offerer. The burnt offering is burn entirely upon the altar. The meat (flour) offering is shared by God and the priests. But the peace offering is the only offering in which all three parties partake of the offering; God gets His share, the priest gets his part and the offerer gets his part to share with "anyone who is clean."

All of our works of love, our sacrifices, our kindnesses and our dedication to God, is acceptable only through Christ:

1Pe 2:1 Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

1Pe 2:2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

1Pe 2:3 If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

1Pe 2:4 To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,

1Pe 2:5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up **spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.**

Our sacrifices are our righteousnesses unless we acknowledge that they are only good if they are done in and "by Jesus Christ." Only then are they "acceptable unto God" as something more than "filthy rags."

Rom 7:4 Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law **by the body of Christ**; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.

Rom 7:5 For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.

Rom 7:6 But **now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.**

Until we realize that we share Christ with God, and are nourished by Christ with God; until we realize that God shares and is nourished by Christ with us; until we realize that Christ Himself shares Himself with us and with God, we may pray many hours in prayer without ever experiencing communion with God. Talking to God is one thing, sharing Christ with His Father is an entirely different thing. That is communion.

Telling our Father how much we see and appreciate all that He, through the sacrifice of His Son, has accomplished in us; expressing to our Father all we see in that sacrifice; and yes even asking to have so much of His Son grow up in us that we are exactly like Him in our Father's eyes. That is more than simply talking to God and making our request known. We need to do that. But we also need communion with our heavenly Father.

And communion is sharing. And all there is that God will accept to be shared with Him is His perfect Son. Only then are we "delivered from the law." Only then will we go beyond our concern of suffering God's wrath and begin to see that there is a relationship to be had which needs to be nourished and fed and enjoyed in feasting. And that feasting is sharing Christ, both with Christ and also with His Father. Then we come to realize that they too find nourishment and satisfaction in that same perfect meal. And there is even more revealed about the efficacy of this offering. All of the Priest's children get to share in this offering:

Lev 7:28 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Lev 7:29 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, He that offereth the sacrifice of his **peace offerings unto the LORD shall bring his oblation unto the LORD of the sacrifice of his peace offerings.**

Lev 7:30 His own hands shall bring the offerings of the LORD made by fire, the fat with the breast, it shall he bring, that the breast may be waved for a wave offering before the LORD.

Lev 7:31 And the priest shall burn the fat upon the altar: but **the breast shall be Aaron's and his sons'**.

Lev 7:32 And **the right shoulder shall ye give unto the priest for an heave offering of the sacrifices of your peace offerings.**

Num 18:9 This shall be thine of the most holy things, reserved from the fire: every oblation of theirs, every meat offering of theirs, and every sin offering of theirs, and every trespass offering of theirs, which they shall render unto me, **shall be most holy for thee and for thy sons.**

Num 18:10 In the most holy place shalt thou eat it; **every male shall eat it**: it shall be holy unto thee.

Num 18:11 And this is thine; the heave offering of their gift, with all the wave offerings of the children of Israel: **I have given them unto thee, and to thy sons and to thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: every one that is clean in thy house shall eat of it.**

Num 18:12 All the best of the oil, and all the best of the wine, and of the wheat, the firstfruits of them which they shall offer unto the LORD, them have I given thee.

Num 18:13 And **whatsoever is first ripe in the land**, which they shall bring unto the LORD, shall be thine; **every one that is clean in thine house shall eat of it.**

Who is the priest's sons?

Act 8:33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and **who shall declare his generation?** for his life is taken from the earth.

1Pe 2:9 But ye are a **chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people**; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

1Co 1:4 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you **by Jesus Christ**;

1Co 1:5 That in every thing ye are **enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge**;

1Co 8:6 But to us there is but **one God, the Father, of whom are all things**, and we in him; **and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.**

God does all He does by Christ: "by whom are all things and we by Him." Christ, being just like His Father is doing all that he is doing for His father through the church:

Eph 3:10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known **by the church the manifold wisdom of God**,

Eph 3:11 According to the eternal purpose **which he purposed in Christ Jesus** our Lord:

Eph 3:12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence **by the faith of him**.

I cannot begin to tell you how blessed we are according to those verses. What we are being told here is that we will rule the nations and be God's channel, through and by Christ, to bring all mankind of all time into the All in all. This is what we share with God and with Christ in the peace offering.

Eph 3:21 Unto him be glory **in the church by Christ Jesus** throughout all ages, world without end. Amen

(CLV) to Him be the glory in the ecclesia and **in Christ Jesus for all the generations of the eon of the eons! Amen!**

(Darby) to him be glory in the assembly in Christ Jesus **unto all generations of the age of ages. Amen).**

(LITV) to Him be the glory in the assembly in Christ Jesus, **to all the generations of the age of the ages. Amen.**

(REV) Unto him, be the glory, in the assembly, and in Christ Jesus-**unto all the generations of the age of ages; Amen:-**

(YLT) to Him is the glory in the assembly **in Christ Jesus, to all the generations of the age of the ages. Amen.**

It is all done "in Christ Jesus." And it is all that the Father is doing:

2Co 1:18 But as God is true, **our word toward you was not yea and nay.**

2Co 1:19 For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you **by us**, even by me and Silvanus and Timotheus, **was not yea and nay, but in him was yea.**

2Co 1:20 For **all the promises of God in him are yea**, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God **by us.**

Eph 2:17 And came **and preached peace to you which were afar off,** and to them that were nigh.

Eph 2:18 For **through him** we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

Eph 2:19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

Eph 4:17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

Eph 4:18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Eph 4:19 Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

Eph 4:20 But ye **have not so learned Christ;**

Eph 4:21 **If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:**

Phi 3:8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,

Phi 3:9 **And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:**

Phi 3:10 That I may know **him,** and the power of **his resurrection,** and the **fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;**

Phi 3:11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

Col 1:16 For **by him** were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: **all things were created by him, and for him:**

Col 1:17 And he is before all things, and **by him all things consist.**

Col 1:18 And **he is the head of the body**, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; **that in all things he might have the preeminence.**

Col 1:19 For it pleased the Father that **in him should all fulness dwell;**

And what does this verse tell us of those who realize what they have in the peace offering. How does "all fulness dwell" in Christ?

1Co 15:28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, **that God may be all in all.**

"All in all" attained?

Eph 1:18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; **that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,**

Eph 1:19 And what [is] the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

Eph 1:20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set [him] at his own right hand in the heavenly [places],

Eph 1:21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

Eph 1:22 **And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,**

Eph 1:23 **Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.**

Col 1:20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

Col 1:21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

Col 1:22 In the body of his flesh **through death**, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight:

Heb 13:15 **By him** therefore let us offer **the sacrifice of praise** to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips **giving thanks to his name.**

1Pe 1:18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

1Pe 1:19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

1Pe 1:20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

1Pe 1:21 Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

In this peace offering we feast with Christ, our priest and mediator, and with His and our Father. In Christ we can commune with both. To understand this we must see Christ as He is presented to us in all of the offerings. He is the offering. He is the offerer, and He is the priest and mediator. He is everything but the Father "of whom are all things."

Gen 41:38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, **Can we find such a one as this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is?**

Gen 41:39 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, **there is none so discreet and wise as thou art:**

Gen 41:40 **Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou.**

1Jo 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect, **that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.**

God the Father is fed and satisfied with the peace offering. God the father eats with us of the Peace offering. In this offering we too are nourished and share in it with our Father. Christ, our priest and mediator, beholds Himself, the one thing we can share with our Father. Seeing this communion which, through Him, we have with our Father, satisfies and nourishes our Lord. Every one, including Christ Himself, finds satisfaction in Christ as the peace offering.

If we eat a meal in communion with our friends in this life, and if we notice and miss them in their absence, how much more ought we to enjoy and appreciate our communion with our priest and our heavenly Father. And how much more does our Lord appreciate our friendship and communion with Himself and with His Father and ours.

This is what He tells us:

Luk 22:14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

Luk 22:15 And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:

Luk 22:16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

Are you a part of that kingdom? If you are, you have an altar at which others are not fit to eat.

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Next week we will cover the purpose for mentioning the priest's children and the significance of being a child of the Priest. We will also cover the

import of the different grades of this offering. You will be amazed at what is revealed in these types and shadows of the "things of the Spirit." You will come to know even more about Him who satisfies all.