

## Life-Study of Leviticus Summary - Messages 6-10

### **The Burnt Offering Christ for God's Satisfaction – The Water, the Fire, the Burning, and the Ashes**

The **water** signifies the **Spirit of life**. While the Lord Jesus was living His human life on earth, this Spirit of life, the Holy Spirit, continually **kept away from Him all defiling factors**. The **fire** signifies the **holy God**. With the burnt offering the fire is the **accepting fire for God's satisfaction**. With the sin offering the fire is the **judging fire for man's redemption**. The burning of the burnt offering is as the burning of sweet incense. This burning produced a sweet savor ascending to God for His pleasure and satisfaction. The **ashes** are a sign of God's **acceptance** of the burnt offering. They are a sign which gives us the assurance that our burnt offering has been accepted by God.

### **Experiencing Christ in His Experiences and Offering the Christ we have Experienced, and Offering Him to God as our Burnt Offering According to our Experiences of Him**

Christ experienced many things in order to be a burnt offering for God. Christ was obedient as He was **brought outside the city to the place of the slaughter**. The Lord was then **slaughtered** on the cross. He was also **skinned**, stripped of the outward appearance of His human virtues, and cut into pieces. Christ's experience in **wisdom** is signified by the head of the burnt offering. As a child the Lord Jesus grew and was filled with wisdom, and He kept advancing in wisdom. The Lord Jesus also had much experience in **God's delight**, as signified by the fat. In the Lord Jesus there was no unrighteousness, for He was absolutely for God. This was His experience of being a delight to God. As a man, Christ had the human **inwards** with their various functions. Christ's experience in His inwards is His experience in His mind, emotion, will, soul, heart, and spirit, including His love, desire, feeling, thought decision, motive, and intention. The New Testament also speaks of the Lord's **walk**, signified by the legs of the burnt offering.

**The only thing that can ascend to God from earth is the life lived by Christ**, for He is the unique person to live a life absolutely for God. **In ourselves we cannot live a life that is absolutely for God**. The burnt offering indicates a life absolutely for God. Every part of our substance, our essence, our fiber, our element, is **dirty**. We could never be a burnt offering to God. Therefore, **we must take Christ as our burnt offering**. We can take Christ as the burnt offering only to the extent to which we have experienced Him in His experience. If we experience Christ in His experiences as the burnt offering to God, we shall realize that we, like Christ, should be brought to the slaughter. We may also experience Christ in His experience of being slaughtered and skinned. Being skinned equals being defamed. Today we may even experience Christ in His being cut into pieces.

Today, we need Christ's head; we need His wisdom. **If we would take Christ as our wisdom, we must live Christ**. The proper Christian life, a life of abiding in the Lord that we may enjoy His life, is a life of doing things not by ourselves but by Him. **When we let Christ live in us and do everything for us, He becomes our wisdom**. We may experience Christ also in His being a delight to God. If we today live a life of Christ as our burnt offering, we too shall be a delight to God. We need to offer to God as a burnt offering the Christ whom we have experienced. (Life-Study of Leviticus – Messages 6-10).