

Sacrificial Offerings in Leviticus

Voluntary

- Whole Burnt Offering (ch. 1)
- Tribute (grain) Offering (ch. 2)
- Fellowship Offering (ch. 3)

Unintentional Sin

- Offense or Purification Offering (4:1-5:13)
- Reparation Offering (5:14-6:7)



Hebrew: חטָא (chata) = missing the mark or goal

Greek: ἁμάρτημα (hamartia) = missing the mark or goal





- Tenth day of seventh month (Sept/Oct)
- A “sabbath of sabbaths:” complete rest
- “Afflict yourselves:” fasting and other forms of self-denial

Leviticus 16:29-31

THE MEANING OF YOM KIPPUR

- Yom Kippur is the Day of Atonement. The word **Yom** means “**Day**”, and **Kippur** is derived from the Hebrew word Kaphar meaning “**to cover**”.
- So Atonement, means “to cover”.
- On Yom Kippur the high priest was to make “**a covering**” for the sins of Israel committed in the year.

The Two Goats

The Day of Atonement Leviticus 16

- Two goats were chosen (16:5-8)
- One was offered as a sacrifice, and the other was used as a scapegoat (16:8-10)
 - The first goat was sacrificed (16:15-16)
 - The second goat was sent into the wilderness bearing the sins of the people (16:20-22)
- The people were to afflict their souls (23:27-29)



Lev. 16:7-10 Chosen Goat – Tale of Two Goats

Scapegoat – Azazel ... pronounced Ah-ZAY-zel

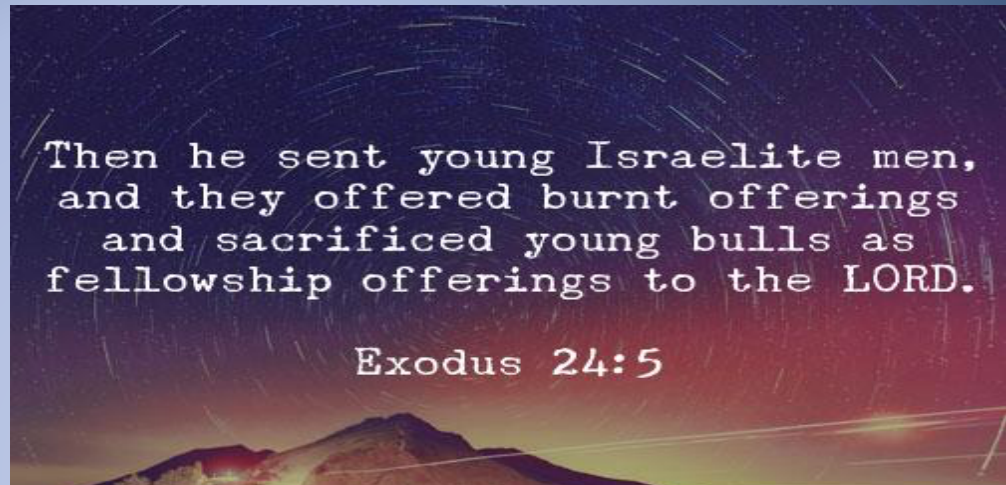
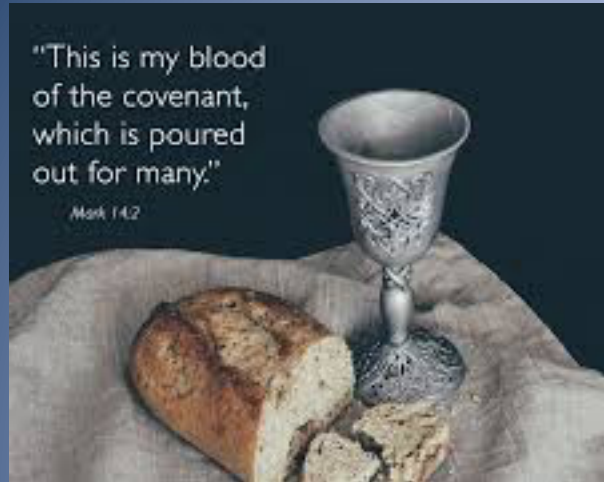
Leviticus 16:26 several versions ... **goat is GOAT** in Hebrew 🙌😊🙌

| NIV | ESV | KJV | HCSB |
|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| The man who releases the | And he who lets the | And he that let go the | The man who released the |
| goat as a | goat go to | goat for the | goat for |
| ★ Scapegoat | ★ Azazel | ★ Scapegoat | ★ Azazel |
| must wash ... | shall wash ... | shall wash ... | is to wash ... |

Goat to Azazel – Goat as Sent-Away-One – Goat is Scapegoat

Is Goat SENT to Azazel ... as to a Fallen Angel or to a Wilderness?
c. 100 B.C., Jews in Qumran on the Dead Sea wrote about Angel Azazel
Or ... Goat **IS** Azazel ... **IS** Sent-Away-One ... Goat **IS** a Scapegoat?

A COVENANT SACRIFICE



⁶ Moses took half of the blood and put it in bowls, and the other half he splashed against the altar. ⁷ Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it to the people. They responded, "We will do everything the LORD has said; we will obey."

⁸ Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words."

Exodus 24:6-8



TESHUVAH

תשובה

TESHUVAH, A WORD OFTEN TRANSLATED AS "REPENTANCE," THOUGH IT'S MORE ACCURATELY UNDERSTOOD AS TURNING BACK (SHUV) TO YHWH AND OBEY HIM.

"When you are in distress and all these things have come upon you, in the latter days you will return to YHWH your Elohim and listen to His voice."

Deuteronomy 4:30

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CONFESSION AND ATONEMENT

“Just as atonement is stated with regard to the goat as achieved through words, so too is atonement stated with regard to the bull as achieved through words.”

(Yoma 36b)

But the goat on which the lot for the scapegoat fell, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make atonement upon it, to send it into the wilderness as the scapegoat.
(Leviticus 16:10).



Leviticus 16:11 “And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering which is for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which is for himself.”

“God is appeased by words, as it is stated, ‘Take with you your words and return to God.’ [Hosea 14:2] The verse ascribes him credit as though he had sacrificed bulls, as it says, ‘So we will render for bulls the offering of our lips.’”

(Yoma 86b)

*The sacrifices of God
are a broken spirit:
a broken and contrite heart,
O God, thou wilt not despise.*

Psalm 51:17



Rabbi Yehoshua ben Levi: “When the Temple stood, if a person brought a burnt offering, he had the reward for a burnt offering, and if a grain offering he had the reward for a grain offering. But for the one whose spirit is humble, Scripture ascribes to him as though he had sacrificed all the offerings, as it says, “The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit.” And furthermore his prayers are not despised, for it is written, “A broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.” (Sotah 5b)

“One who does *teshuvah* is considered as if he went to Jerusalem, rebuilt the Temple, erected an altar, and offered all the sacrifices ordained by Torah.” (Leviticus Rabbah 7:2)

Then there will be righteous
sacrifices, whole burnt offerings
to delight you; then bulls will
be offered on your altar.

Psalm 51:19

Simon Wiesenthal

Who?

- Austrian Holocaust survivor who became famous after World War II for his work as a Nazi hunter.
- Wiesenthal survived the Holocaust but lost his mother and many other family members during the ordeal in which six million European Jews were annihilated.
- He dedicated his life to documenting the crimes of the Holocaust and to hunting down the perpetrators still at large.



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