

The Perfection and Protection of Christ

Leviticus 22

Read Leviticus 22:17-21

Big Ideas: (1) Offer a Perfect Sacrifice. (2) Protect the Holy Things.

1.) Offering a Perfect Sacrifice (v. 17-33)

A.) The Right Type

B.) Without Blemish

C.) Only the Perfect Offering Offered the Perfect Way Would Be Accepted.

2.) Jesus is the Perfect Offering.

A.) Our Perfect Thank Offering

"...was in all points tempted as we are." (Hebrews 4:15)

"My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work." (John 4:34)

...Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God!' (Matt 4:4)

"For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me." (John 6:38)

*"For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak. **50** And I know that His command is everlasting life. Therefore, whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak." (John 12:49-50)*

"...for I always do those things that please Him." (John 8:29)

"I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do." John 17:4

"...not as I will, but as You will." (Matthew 26:39)

B.) Our Perfect Sin Offering

Heb 9:13

*"knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, **19** but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot." (1 Peter 1)*

"Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. 6 In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You had no pleasure. 7 Then I said, 'Behold, I have come—In the volume of the book it is written of Me—To do Your will, O God.'" Hebrews 10:5-7

"A genuine thank offering – that is, a human life of grateful obedience – is greater than all of the bulls and goats on Israel's altar" —Michael Horton

Philippians 2:6-11

3.) Protecting the Lord's Holy Things (v. 1-16)

A.) Only the Priest and Those Who Belong to the Priest Could Eat the Lord's Holy Things. (v. 10-16)

B.) Only Priest Who Were Clean Could Handle the Lord's Holy Things (v. 1-9)

4.) Christ Protects the Lord's Holy Things.

A.) Jesus is Holy

B.) The Church is Holy

1 Corinthians 3:16-17, "*Do you not know that you are the temple of God?...**17** If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him...*"

Romans 12:1, "*...present your bodies a living sacrifice...*"

C.) The Ordinances are Holy

D.) God's Word is Holy

1 Timothy 3:14-15

Jude 3

1 Peter 3:14-15, "*...And do not be afraid of their threats, nor be troubled.**15** But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts...*"