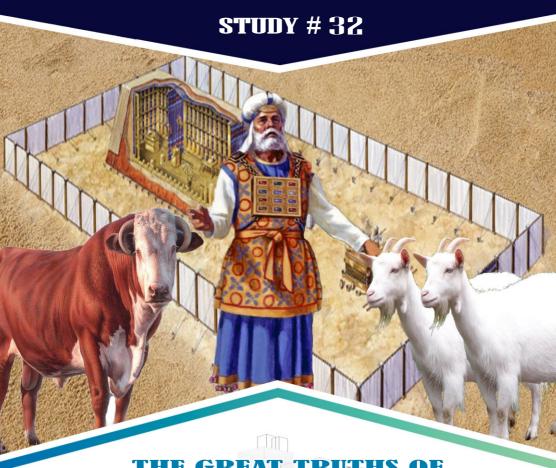
The Atonement Day Sacrifices



THE GREAT TRUTHS OF

THE BIBLE

"Thy word is truth" ...John 17:17



PLEASE NOTE: Kindly refer to your Bibles for every scripture reference and read thoroughly.

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Today we will continue the study of the tabernacle only this time we will be looking at the sacrifices that took
place within the Tabernacle on Israel's

ATONEMENT DAY.

Yes! These SACRIFICES have a very special MEANING and SIGNIFICANCE for Christians today as we will see in today's study!

Let us now turn in the scriptures to read about these sacrifices in -

Leviticus 16:6-10

"And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself and for his house. And he shall take the two goats...and Aaron

shall cast lots upon the two goats, one for the Lord and the other lot for the scapegoat. And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the Lord's lot fell and offer him for a sin offering but the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive before the Lord....."

We see in this scripture passage -

AARON THE HIGH PRIEST......offering a <u>bullock</u> as a sin offering -

"for him selfand for his house"

Then he takes......<u>TWO GOATS</u> and <u>PRESENTS</u> them before the Lord

"at the door of the Holy"

Then AARON casts LOTS upon the two goats.

One lot is for <u>THE LORD'S GOAT</u> and the other is to be <u>THE "SCAPEGOAT"</u>.

The goat upon which the lot for the Lord's goat falls is sacrificed by Aaron ALSO for a sin offering.

Finally the goat upon which the lot fell to be <a href="the-before the Lord and be sent into the wilderness." Finally the goat upon which the lot fell to be <a href="the-before the Lord and be sent into the wilderness." The before the Lord and be sent into the wilderness.

THESE WERE THE "SACRIFICES" THAT HAPPENED IN THE ANNUAL CEREMONY CALLED THE ATONEMENT DAY (or "YOM-KIPPUR" in Hebrew)



WHAT is this atonement day?

What is the <u>SIGNIFICANCE</u> of these sacrifices?

And what is the <u>CONNECTION</u> between these Jewish Age Atonement day sacrifices and......Christians today?

The ANSWERS to all these questions is what we are going to explore today!

But before we go any further, let us consider a point of question!

All these animal sacrifices recorded in the Bible make many peopleand even many Christians to think.... there is NO DIFFERENCE between Biblical practices and.... rituals and SACRIFICES OF THOSE OF THE HEATHEN like Hindus, Africans etc who also conduct animal sacrifices to their "gods" !!!



For any Christian who does not have a DEEPER knowledge of the Bible it.... SURELY MAY SEEM SO - but if one SEARCHES in "the book of the LORD" we find the answer in this scripture, which we read from -

Psalms 50:9-10
"I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds

for every beast of the forest is mine and the cattle, upon a thousand hills"



Yes! Here is God Himself saying He has NO NEED for these animal sacrifices!

Then WHY are these ANIMAL sacrifices recorded in the scriptures?

WE SHALL FIND THE ANSWER IN TODAY'S LESSON!



Firstly the question of WHAT is this atonement day finds the answer in -

Leviticus 16:30,34

"For on that day shall the priest make an atonement for you, to **CLEANSE** you that you may be clean from ALL your sins before the Lord. And this shall be an everlasting statute....to make an atonement for the children of Israel for all their sins ONCE A YEAR."

Yes! This ATONEMENT DAY was a "statute" from God by which Israel's sins were "cleansed" or "atoned for" ONCE EVERY YEAR!

Now let us come to the sacrifices through which this atonement took place every year and study the details



The FIRST SACRIFICE was -

THE BULLOCK

This was the
FIRST sacrifice and
consisted of a SINGLE
BULLOCK - and we
read that AARON THE
HIGH PRIEST
sacrificed this bullock

"....for himself and for his house" (vs 6)

Now let us look at <u>the way</u> Aaron sacrificed the bullock in-Leviticus 16:11-14

"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: and he shall take a censer full of burning coals from off the altar before the LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the vail: and he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon the (ark of the) testimony, that he die not: and he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward: and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times."

This is the scripture **DETAILING** the sacrificial **PROCESS** for the sacrifice of "the bullock" by Aaron the High Priest.



DID YOU UNDERSTAND THE MATTER ?? NO?

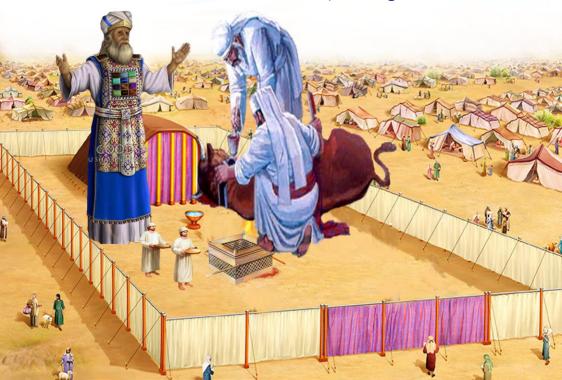
Well, it is difficult to understand these details when you read it all together!!

For us to understand this matter better let us now STEP BY STEP see how Aaron goes about the sacrifice of "the bullock" in the THREE AREAS of the tabernacle -

INSIDE - THE COURT -

Leviticus 16:11-12

"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: and he shall take a censer full of burning coals from off the altar before the LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the vail:"



Yes! Here we read the details -



.....He shall "take of the blood" of the bullock.

.....And he then takes a censer full of coals -

- burning coals of fire from off THE BRAZEN ALTAR

.....And "his hands full of sweet incense beaten small"

Then <u>WITH ALL THIS</u> Aaron enters through the first vail into the "HOLY" place.

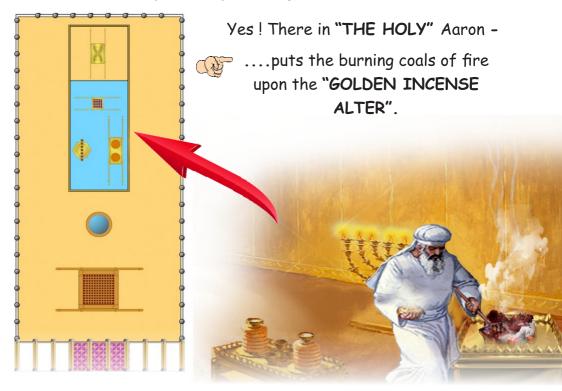
Now let us read what Aaron does in the "holy place" -

INSIDE - THE HOLY -

Leviticus 16:13

".....and he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD,

that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon the (ark of the) testimony, that he die not:"



....And upon that fire or "COALS" he puts the "sweet incense beaten small" upon it

....It causes a cloud of incense FRAGRANCE and....

SMOKE to rise up and fills

the "holy place" and... further enters even into the "Most Holy".

....This cloud of incense smoke "covers the mercy seat" upon the ark "that he (AARON) dies not".

Finally Aaron then enters into the "MOST HOLY" with the blood. Let us now read what Aaron did in the "Most Holy" -

INSIDE - THE MOST HOLY -

Leviticus 16:14

"And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat <u>eastward</u>: and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger <u>seven times.</u>"

Yes! So Aaron on entering the "Most Holy" -

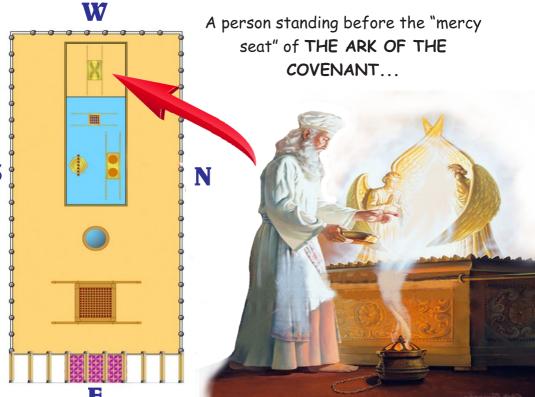
.... CARRIES THE BLOOD of the bullock with him.

...SPRINKLES THE BLOOD upon the mercy seat.

.....The sprinkling is "eastward and before the mercy seat"

He does this sprinkling "seven times"

WHAT DOES ALL THIS MEAN?



is facing WEST and has entered and approachedfrom a EAST to WEST direction.

(Remember the gate of "the tabernacle was FACING EAST)

This sprinkling eastward upon the mercy seat would be

a direction <u>TOWARDS</u> Aaron and....

"before the mercy seat" would be in a direction ACROSS the person.

Ah! Thus the combination would form.... A CROSS!

Let us see how, as we see the picture below -



This sprinkling process that forms a cross, he does....

SEVEN TIMES

....thus forming SEVEN CROSSES so to speak!!

Thus is <u>COMPLETED</u> the <u>SACRIFICIAL PROCEDURE</u> of the bullock!

This is followed by <u>the secondary sacrifice</u> of the "Lord's goat".

But before we get to look at that sacrifice and its details let us seek <u>FIRST</u>... what <u>SIGNIFICANCE</u> this first sacrifice of the "bullock" has to us as Christians in this <u>GOSPEL AGE</u>.

For this let us turn to -

Hebrews 10:1 and 4

"For the law having a shadow of the good things to come and <u>NOT</u> the very image of the things can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers there unto perfect...."

"For it is <u>NOT</u> possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sin".

DID YOU SEE THAT ?!

SO THESE ANNUAL SACRIFICES OF 'BULLS AND GOATS' COULD NOT REALLY.... TAKE AWAY SINS !!!

THEN WHAT.... WAS IT'S PURPOSE?

The answer is found in Vs- 1
"....a <u>SHADOW</u> of the good things to come...."
Yes! These sacrifices were to be "shadows" or....
"TYPES" of the coming "good things" in God's Plan.

WHAT WOULD THAT MEAN?

Here "the good things to come" referred to here by the Apostle Paul is a reference to



GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

which would become CLEARER and.....begin to OUTWORK with the coming of His Only Begotten Son Jesus as the RANSOM SACRIFICE to redeem the world.

The LAW showed these things in a very OBSCURE (not clearly understandable) way.

This is what is meant by "SHADOWS" or "TYPES".

NOW WHAT "shadow" OR "type" DID THIS ATONEMENT DAY SACRIFICE OF THE "bullock" REPRESENT?

Before we see that let us see another PURPOSE for us now to study the OLD TESTAMENT.

Let us read of that in -

Romans 15:4

"For whatsoever things were written afore time were written for **OUR LEARNING.....**"



DID YOU SEE THAT ?!

The entire Old testament was written and recorded for -.....the CHRISTIAN CHURCH of the gospel age!

YES! SO WHAT "TYPES" AND "LESSONS" DO WE AS

CHRISTIANS LEARN FROM THESE ATONEMENT DAY SACRIFICES ?

Let us see-

We read that this Atonement day for Israel was for the purpose that they beCLEANSED FROM ALL THEIR SINS before the Lord.

This <u>TYPIFIED</u> the <u>GREATER</u> ATONEMENT that would come later which would be..... between God and the children of Adam-ALL MANKIND!

YES! THE <u>AT-ONE-MENT</u> BETWEEN GOD.....

So also the "bullock" and the "goats" through which the

TYPICAL ATONEMENT took place were TYPES to TYPIFY

THE SACRIFICES -

.....which would <u>ACTUALLY</u> wash away the sins of the world!

These in the scriptures are referred to as the....."BETTER

SACRIFICES" which we read about it -

Hebrews 9:23

"....the <u>pattern</u> of things in the heavens should be purified with these but the heavenly things themselves <u>with BETTER SACRIFICES</u>
than these...."

Now let us better understand these "better sacrifices" from these types!!





- Yes! Through the RANSOM of giving His life as -

"a corresponding equal price"

He did <u>COMPLETELY MAKE</u> ATONEMENT FOR THE SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

This we read very clearly in -

Hebrews 9:26

"....but now <u>ONCE</u> in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the <u>SACRIFICE OF HIMSELF"</u>

Here it is very clear that Jesus sacrificing "himself" was the ATONING SACRIFICE for the sins of all mankind. Some may wonder what is meant by the Apostle saying.....



Was Jesus sacrifice made at the end of....THE SECOND WORLD ??

We know that, that is **NOT TRUE** because... we are now nearly 2000 years since Jesus death and the second World has...**YET NOT ENDED**!!

The answer to this matter is found in the Greek word used "aion" (Strong's - Greek # 165)

This word means "age" too and we realize that the Apostle
Paul writing to the Hebrews was referring to
Jesus sacrifice being at the



We find a similar reference.... in Hebrews 1:2 where the words "these last days" is a reference <u>NOT</u> to the end of the Gospel Age or the Second World but rather the end ofTHE JEWISH AGE !!

Now the **SACRIFICIAL <u>PROCESS</u>** of the bullock which we just saw, **TYPIFIES** the great sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ **IN ALL ITS DETAILS**.

Thus by carefully STUDYING this TYPE of the ATONEMENT DAY sacrifice we can learn many INTRICATE details of Our Lord's great sacrifice



"of Himself"

Let us now look into the meanings and SIGNIFICANCE of these types -

"the bullock"

It would SURPRISE MANY and shock ... some to see that Jesus is being compared to or TYPIFIED by a bullock!

> But let us keep in mind this is a picture of THE SACRIFICE of Our Lord.

And WHAT did He sacrifice?

Yes! It was....HIS PERFECT HUMAN NATURE!

And we read of the Lord's human condition in -

Hebrews 7:26 "....who is holy, harmless, undefiled separate from sinners...."



Yes! The "BULLOCK" is a SYMBOL for.....the PERFECT HUMAN NATURE or.... A PERFECT HUMAN BEING.

It would be very useful to keep this SYMBOL in memory as it occurs in other places in the Bible to CORRECTLY interpret or "rightly divide" THE TRUTH.

"Aaron the High Priest"

Now if Jesus be the **BULLOCK** then who is represented by Aaron the High Priest who kills the **BULLOCK**?

Let us read that answer in - **Hebrews 5:5,6**

"So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee. As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec."

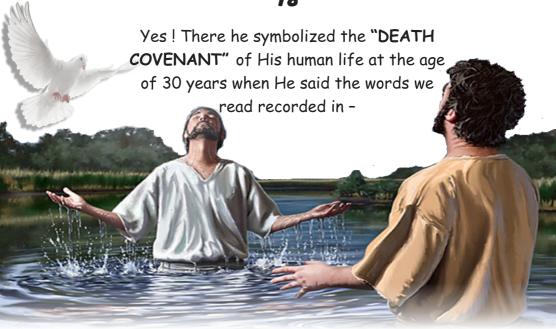
Ah, Yes! Aaron the High Priest was only a SYMBOL of the REAL great HIGH PRIEST appointed by God Himself the LORD JESUS CHRIST Himself.

Now you may be wondering <u>HOW</u> Jesus can <u>sacrifice</u> or "kill" Jesus ???

Let us see that answer now......



This is a **SYMBOL** of what happened at Jesus baptism!



Hebrews10:7

"Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the Book it is written of me) to do thy will O God"

Yes! When Jesus said these words at His baptism he "killed" his human nature in **SACRIFICE**!

The "bullock" was sacrificed in the "COURT" signifying Jesus condition of being... PERFECT and SINLESS - as the court represents the PERFECT HUMAN NATURE.

Then we continue.....

"sweet incense beaten small"

This **INCENSE** carried in Aaron's hands represents what Jesus **POSSESSED**... at His baptism!

Yes! That was <u>THE CHARACTER</u> that Jesus had developed in Himself till the age of 30.

We read of this witness of His Life FROM THE AGE OF 12 TILL 30 in -

Luke 2:52

"And Jesus <u>increased in wisdom and stature and in favour with</u>

God and man."

Yes! This character He developed is described as incense "beaten small" meaning that the character He had developed was REFINED and PERFECT.

"hands full"

This is a symbol of one's MAXIMUM FULL CAPACITY and thus symbolizes the character Jesus had developed to His maximum capacity.

This **SYMBOLIZES** the **OPPOSING INFLUENCES** of persecution that the **BLINDED WORLD** now provides towards the things of God!

"burning coals of fire"

This symbolizes the **OPPOSITIONS** and **INFLUENCES**Jesus <u>voluntarily attracted upon Himself</u> by doing the will of God.

Yes! Just as we saw that Aaron took the "burning coals from of the altar" in a censer....so too did JESUS.... voluntarily ACCEPT and SUBMIT Himself to the OPPOSITIONS that came to Him in doing the will of God.

Then what do we read.....

"The blood of the bullock"

Here the blood is A SYMBOL OF LIFE as we read in -Leviticus 17:11 - "For the life of the flesh is in the blood."

This of course we now know SCIENTIFICALLY to mean the HAEMOGLOBIN which is present in the blood which is a carrier of life giving oxygen to every part of the body.

Thus this "blood of the bullock" represents the HUMAN LIFE of Jesus which was SACRIFICED and now CONSECRATED to do God's WILL.

This "blood" was then carried by Aaron into....
"THE HOLY".

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

"entered into the Holy"

This is a representation of the life that Jesus spent AFTER HIS BAPTISM

.....A life of CONSECRATION and SACRIFICE !!

Thus we have seen a **DETAILED** picture of Jesus sacrifice that was made at His baptism in the River Jordan.

Now let us follow AARON into the HOLY.....

Yes, having entered into the Holy, Aaron we see.....spends some time and moments there.

That period represents the **MINISTRY** of Our Lord in the service of God -

.....a period of $3\frac{1}{2}$ YEARS we know from Daniel 9:27 and the prophecy of

"the seventieth week".

This ministry of Jesus and His **EXPERIENCES** are **TYPIFIED** by what Aaron did there in the "HOLY".

Let us now look at the meanings -

"Aaron put the sweet incense upon the fire"

This symbolizes Jesus VOLUNTARY submission to the INSULTS and HARSH WORDS and PERSECUTION that His $3\frac{1}{2}$ years ministry brought from the Jews





- the Pharisees, Sadducees and the teachers of the law who all followed Him wherever He went, seeking to find a cause to find fault with Him and they even planned to destroy Him many times. (Example: Luke 6:11 / 4:29)

Now the "sweet incense upon the fire" here picturises Jesus CHARACTER "meeting" with and coming into.... DAILY CONTACT with these OPPOSITIONS and PERSECUTIONS.



Let us now read of the manifestation from "the incense upon the fire".....

"A cloud of incense fragrance"

This symbolizes what MANIFESTED from Jesus in all these experiences - his OBEDIENCE to God

....and OTHER GLORIOUS QUALITIES OF CHARACTER of which we read in -

Ephesians 5:2

"....As Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling savour."

Yes! Jesus sacrifice is here symbolized as a SWEET SMELLING FRAGRANCE II

Now let us look at what else was manifested in the placing of

"the incense upon the fire..."

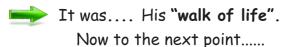
"the cloud of the incense"

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

This is **SMOKE** from the burning "incense".

Just as smoke is manifested in the burning of fire.... so too this "smoke" represented what manifested from Jesus in the midst of these FIERY EXPERIENCES.

This represents.... the SUM TOTAL OF THE ACTIONS that were manifested in Jesus everyday life, during this $3\frac{1}{2}$ year ministry.



"the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon the testimony...."

WHAT DOES THIS REPRESENT?

The "ark of the testimony" as we already know was in THE MOST HOLY and is a representation of GOD......and HEAVEN!!

Thus the smoke being visible here would represent the **DIVINE VIEW POINT** of this sacrifice and **LIFE** of Jesus

"may cover the mercy seat which is upon the testimony..."

Now as we studied in the last lesson of the Tabernacle and its significance, we saw that this "MERCY SEAT"

symbolized the JUSTICE attribute of God.

Yes! DIVINE JUSTICE!!

So WHAT would this COVERING of the "mercy seat" by the **SMOKE** of the "incense" signify?

To understand this let us now turn to -

Galatians 4:4

"But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,...."

Yes! Jesus was born a JEW and was OBLIGATED to keep the law perfectly.

In fact it was SUCH A SERIOUS MATTER that we read of Aaron the High Priest -

> "that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat.....that he die not."

Oh, Yes! It was a MATTER OF LIFE ETERNAL or.... **DEATH ETERNAL** for Jesus... as He was a **PERFECT MAN**.

And, Yes! This COVERING of "the mercy seat" represent how Jesus by his $3\frac{1}{2}$ year **WALK OF LIFE** completely FULFILLED God's JUSTICE by PERFECTLY keeping EVERY little point of the LAW!

Yes! The "smoke" COVERING the "mercy seat" beautifully symbolizes



....THE COMPLETE KEEPING OF THAT LAW.

YES! AARON THEN ENTERED INTO "the Most Holy" WITH ONLY "the blood of the bullock" in his hands.

It took some time for Aaron to pass under that **HEAVY** "VAIL" into the **MOST HOLY**.

He had to crawl slowly under it as that vail was....

VERY HEAVY and...THICK and could not be lifted by the hands.

The High Priest would have to crawl under it!!

ALL THIS WOULD TAKE SOME TIME!

What does all this represent?

This represents Jesus passing from His EARTHLY human condition at His death and... the time taken TILL HE REACHED THE PRESENCE OF HIS HEAVENLY FATHER IN HEAVEN!

This of course happened after he had spent 3 days in the grave and.... 40 days with His apostles and disciples on the earth - but IN A SPIRIT BODY! (I Peter 3:18).

This we find **CLARIFIED** in His own words to Mary Magdalene <u>AFTER</u> His resurrection in **John 20:17** -

"...for I am NOT YET ascended to My Father."

The "blood of the bullock" in Aaron's hands represents the MERIT of Jesus PERFECT UNFORFEITED HUMAN LIFE RIGHTS.

Yes! Jesus has entered into **HEAVEN** itself now -the reality of the "MOST HOLY" as we read very clearly in -

Hebrews 9:24

"For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us."

Now what did Jesus **DO** and **OFFER** in Heaven since his "ascension" on..... **the fortieth day** after His resurrection?

This we see TYPIFIED by what AARON did in the "MOST HOLY" !!

Let us now look into the matter as we read -

"And he shall take the blood of the bullock and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat."

As already seen before, this "mercy seat" represented God's attribute of JUSTICE.

And thus the "sprinkling of the blood" would represent how Jesus BLOOD or LIFE became the SATISFACTION of Divine Justice -

"....A LIFE for a LIFE." (Exodus 21:23)

Now let us consider
FOR WHOM Aaron
offered up the "blood
of the bullock"

and what is the SIGNIFICANCE of it as we read from -

Leviticus 16:6

"... which is for himself and for his house.."



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

Now we have identified who Aaron typifies and WHAT the "bullock" typifies!!

Yes! We know it is Our Lord Jesus as the ANTITYPICAL High Priest

....and the "blood of the bullock" is His HUMAN LIFE RIGHTS or ... His MERIT.

We wonder though what the application of -



"...for himself and for his house...."means and signifies?!

Was Jesus a SINNER that He should offer a sin offering for "himself"?



MOST DEFINITELY NOT!

Jesus was NOT a sinner - He was WITHOUT SIN -".....without spot or blemish" !!

Then WHAT DOES "for himself" SIGNIFY ??

We find that answer in -

I Corinthians 12:12

"For as the body is one and hath many members and all the members of that one body, being many are one body: so also is Christ."

Yes! There we have the answer!

The "himself" is a REFERENCE to His "Body" members, who are "in him" and have FOLLOWED Him in that they have entered into the same "covenant by sacrifice" as the Lord

but.... the **BIG DIFFERENCE** being that they are **IMPERFECT** and **SINNERS**!

Yes! They are <u>ALL</u> SINNERS and need an <u>ATONEMENT!</u>!

Thus it was that Jesus said these words about **HIMSELF** in the prayer recorded in the **17th chapter of John** in -

John 17:19

"And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth."

Did you see that ?!

Thus the reference of the SIN OFFERING "for himself" is to the BODY MEMBERS OF THE CHRIST.

And "....for his house" refers to the HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH

....all those who BELIEVE or exercise faith in Jesus!

We could further go so far as to say that the "himself" refers

....to the "CHOSEN" CLASS of Christians

and that "for his house" refers

______to the 'CALLED" CLASS of Christians in the CHURCH.

Now this "blood" application is to COVER the sins

or.... for the **JUSTIFICATION** of all those who "believe" as we read in -

Acts 10:43

"To him give all the prophets witness, that THROUGH HIS NAME whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins."

Now let us come finally to the PROCEDURE of the "blood" application on the mercy seat as we read from -

Leviticus 16:14

"...He shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat east ward; and before.... seven times."

Yes! This "sprinkling" was done in the form of "A CROSS" and is repeated - "seven times".

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN AND SIGNIFY?

This "cross" like manner of the application of the "blood" signifies that the JUSTIFICATION of Christians now is made on a certain BASIS and CONDITION.... and for a PURPOSE -

....that BELIEVERS go on to become FOLLOWERS and "CROSS BEARERS" in the footsteps of the Master!

Just remaining mere "believers" and NOT becoming FOLLOWERS causes the gradual LOSS of this "justification" which in turn causes LOSS of SPIRITUAL EYESIGHT and a turn to WORLDLINESS!!

Yes! The JUSTIFICATION that "believers" receive is TENTATIVE (not guaranteed to last)and it being made VITALIZED or PERMANENT depends on... certain terms and conditions.

Thus this "cross like" manner of this application teaches us that PERANENT JUSTIFICATION is provided by the Lord now ONLY for His FOLLOWERS to enable them to present their "bodies" (their HUMAN LIFE and WILL)

Romans 12:1

"...a living sacrifice HOLY, acceptable unto God...."

Yes! The SACRIFICES had to be "Holy" and it is made so only through the blood of Jesus which alone brings

CLEANSING and FORGIVENESS of sins.

Here it is INTERESTING to NOTE that this matter, that the MERIT of Jesus sacrifice and the application of His "blood" was to be FINALLY and PERMANENTLY for ONLY HIS FOLLOWERS or BODY MEMBERS is seen.....in the language of the scripture in -

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"

Notice the words "which is for himself" ALONE which comes at the beginning and END....signifying the PURPOSE of this APPLICATION andthe CLASS to whom it will be finally made PERMANENT.

Now what would this **SEVEN TIMES** applications of the blood represent?

The "seven times" application represents that this PERMANENT_justification available to His followers is throughout the GOSPEL AGEin which are **SEVEN DIVISIONS** as seen in Revelation 2nd and 3rd chapters.

(THE DETAILED STUDY OF THESE SEVEN CHURCHES WILL BE TAKEN UP IN CLASS # 45)

THUS WE HAVE SEEN THE GREAT SIGNIFICANCE
OF THE ATONEMENT DAY SACRIFICE OF
THE "BULLOCK"!

Now let us examine and study <u>THE SECONDARY</u>
<u>SACRIFICE</u> of the atonement day -

THE TWO GOATS

Let us read the details of this sacrifice in -



Leviticus 16:7-10

"And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the scapegoat. And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD"S lot fell, and offer him for a sin offering. But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make an atonement with him, and to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness."

In this scripture passage we read that -

Aaron the High Priest PRESENTS

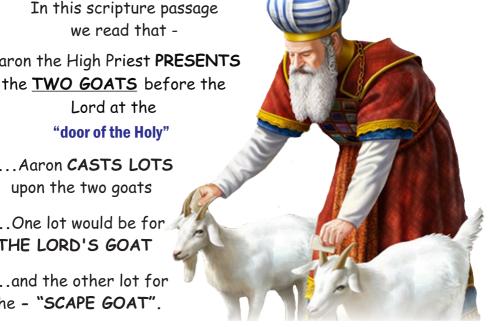
Lord at the

"door of the Holy"

.... Agron CASTS LOTS upon the two goats

...One lot would be for THE LORD'S GOAT

...and the other lot for the - "SCAPE GOAT".



The Lord's goat would be SACRIFICED by Aaron ALSO FOR A SIN OFFERING.

The other goat upon which the "lot" fell to be THE SCAPEGOAT was presented ALIVE before the Lord and SENT INTO THE WILDERNESS.

Yes! Now let us study the details of THE SACRIFICIAL PROCEDURE of "the Lord's goat" and then of the "scapegoat"

.....and WHAT THEY SIGNIFY?

THE LORD'S GOAT

Let us now read the details in the scriptures in -

Leviticus 16:15,16

"Then shall he (Aaron) kill the goat of the sin offering, that is for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat and before the mercy seat......"

In this scripture we read that -

..... Aaron KILLS the goat of the sin offering in the COURT.

....It is for the people (of Israel)

.....ALL other procedures of sacrifice are-

"as he did with the blood of the bullock"

.....Finally Aaron takes **THE BLOOD** of the goat into the "Most Holy".

and he sprinkles it "upon the mercy seat and before it" in the form of a

CROSS only ONCE and NOT seven times.

WHAT WOULD ALL THIS SIGNIFY?

This represents the **SACRIFICE** that.... **FOLLOWS** the **GREAT** sacrifice of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Yes! The SACRIFICE OPPORTUNITY open to Christians today!!

This is very <u>SURPRISING</u> and..... even <u>SHOCKING</u> to many Christians who think andare even <u>TAUGHT TO BELIEVE</u> that all that God expects of them is to <u>BELIEVE</u> on His Son Jesus Christ, and seek to make as many as possible of the <u>UNBELIEVERS</u> to also become <u>BELIEVERS</u> like them!

And that, is <u>ALL</u> that is involved in being a **CHRISTIAN!**But, **NOT SO!**

As we have already seen BELIEVING or showing FAITH on Jesus is only... THE FIRST STAGE of Christian development - the "called" stage!!

These "BELIEVERS" are encouraged in the scriptures to.....
the NEXT step as we read very clearly in -

I Peter 2:21

"For even hereunto <u>were ye called.....</u>that <u>you should follow</u>
His steps."

DID YOU SEE THAT ?! Yes! "BELIEVERS" must go on to become... "FOLLOWERS".

In fact that is **the very reason** to have become **BELIEVERS** in Jesus as we read again very clearly in -

Philippians 1:29

"For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, <u>not only to believe on him</u>, but also to suffer for his sake."

ISN'T IT VERY CLEAR ?!

Now the same scriptures teach us that -

"....many are called, but few are chosen" - Matthew 22:14

Now these "few" Christians who go on to FOLLOW Jesus into sacrifice of their lives are represented here by... the "two goats"

WHO ARE PRESENTED FOR SACRIFICE!

Yes! These are the Christians who have paid attention to the words of the Apostle Paul in -

Romans 12:1

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, (BELIEVERS) by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice..."

This "presenting" of oneself to FOLLOW in Jesus footsteps of sacrifice is accomplished through a COVENANT which we read of in -

Psalms 50:5

"Gather my saints together unto me; those <u>that have made</u> a covenant with me by sacrifice."

This COVENANT is SYMBOLIZED in "water immersion" or "BAPTISM".

For those of us who are interested to FOLLOW the footsteps of the Master let us now learn.... VALUABLE LESSONS as we study the DETAILS of this TYPE.

After the TWO GOATS are presented in the "COURT"

Aaron casts "lots" upon the two goats!



This represents a **SELECTION PROCESS** between the "two goats" or... <u>between</u> the **SACRIFICING or "FOLLOWER"**Christians causing **TWO** classes to be **MANIFESTED**.

The "lots" represent <u>COMPLETE IMPARTIALITY</u> from the <u>Lord's standpoint</u> in this **PROCESS**!

YES! THE LORD WILL <u>IMPARTIALLY</u> SELECT THOSE WHO EXHIBIT MORE ZEAL AND FAITHFULNESS IN ""FULFILLING"....... THEIR COVENANTS BY SACRIFICE.

This **ZEALOUS** and **FAITHFUL** "CLASS" among the covenanted Christians or "CHOSEN" ones are represented here by -

"THE LORD'S GOAT"

What is experienced by this "class" of FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN FOLLOWERS of Jesus is represented by what Aaron did to the "Lord's goat"!

Let us now look into the DETAILS and their meanings -



This is a **SYMBOL** of the work of the Lord Jesus as... the **HEAD**, who when He accepts a member into "his body", Himself immerses that member (him/her) <u>INTO HIS</u>

<u>DEATH EXPERIENCES</u> as exhibited in the case of the Apostle Paul which we read of in -

Acts 9:16

"For <u>I WILL SHEW HIM</u> how great things he must suffer for my name's sake..."

DID YOU SEE THAT ?!

Yes! The Lord Jesus Himself "kills" this goat by GUIDING and... APPOINTING all the experiences of life after the CONSECRATION.....as HEAD of the body!

Then let us continue to read -

"....the goat of the sin offering.."

Here is something which we must understand and that

also VERY CLEARLY!

The SACRIFICE of the church is NOT and... CAN NEVER BE a part of the RANSOM sacrifice by which the whole world is REDEEMED.

That required only...

ONE SINGLE PERFECT HUMAN LIFE and that was fulfilled through the PERFECT "man Christ Jesus"

> and His sacrifice ! No further sacrifice was NECESSARY!

But the sacrifice of the CHURCH now is made ACCEPTABLE and HOLY to God only through the application of the "MERIT" of that RANSOM sacrifice which covers the SINS of ... each and every INDIVIDUAL member of the CHURCH "class" who then being a part of "His Body", **THEN** are counted as part of what is called -





"The Sin offering".

They then become PARTAKERS of what the Apostle Paul described in -

Colossians 1:24

"...And fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ..."



Yes! This is a great PRIVILEGE and OPPORTUNITY to

"taste" of the experiences of Jesus and walk in His footsteps!!

This "sin offering" of the CHURCH is only made possible... through Jesus "merit" ONLY.

➡ Thus we see... that it is AARON who offers up the "goat" as a "sin offering"!

Yes! The church sacrifices are IN and THROUGH Jesus. It is Jesus Himself offering up the further sacrifices of His Body members!

Now let us consider the further matter as we read.....



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

This symbolizes that the **BENEFITS** of this sacrifice will go to - ... "the people" - the WORLD OF MANKIND!

Just as after the completion of the sacrifice of Jesus (the bullock) the BENEFITS of salvation went to the CHURCH in that the church received the opportunity for the GREAT -"so great salvation" of the GOSPEL AGE.

Then we further read -



"And do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock"

This symbolizes that the experiences of SACRIFICE with this "class" will be

....LIKE THAT OF THEIR MASTER for they have

been called to be as we read very clearly in -

Romans 8:29

".....conformed to, the image of His son..."

Ah, Yes! THEY ARE TO BE COPIES OF THE SON.

And again we read the same in -

Revelation 14:4

"These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth....."

Yes! Thus this represented how this "Lord's goat" CLASS follow the exact EXAMPLE and... FOOTSTEPS of their Lord in a LIFE of SACRIFICE.

Finally we see that Aaron takes the blood of the "Lord's goat" into the "MOST HOLY".

WHAT DOES HE DO THERE?



This was done by AARON the High Priest.

This symbolizes how the Lord will finally take the "blood" -

or the SACRIFICED LIFE of this "class" and count it as His own - being part of His Body - and present it to DIVINE JUSTICE (the mercy seat)



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

This symbolises the application of the MERIT of the "cross" -



this time - a second time... FOR THE SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD for we read of the "blood of Jesus" and His sacrifice in -

I John 2:2

"And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, <u>but also</u> for the sins of the whole world."

YES! ISN'T IT VERY CLEAR ?!

YES! THEN AT THAT TIME THE WHOLE WORLD WILL RECEIVE LIFE FROM THE DEAD.... AND.... SALVATION TO LIFE!!

Now we come to THE LAST GOAT - upon whom the "lot" fell to be -

THE SCAPEGOAT

Let us read the details of it in -

Leviticus 16:21,22

"And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat....and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness....and he shall let go the goat into the wilderness."





The 'scape goat" represents

....a SECOND CLASS among those who came forward to follow the Lord

> and who made "a covenant by sacrifice" to follow the Lord's footsteps in COMPLETE CONSECRATION

BUT INSTEAD OF BECOMING "DEAD" THEY... REMAIN "ALIVE" !!



WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

The "alive" represents not paying careful attention to and BEING FAITHFUL to their "covenant by sacrifice" and giving more attention to THE SPIRIT OF THE WORLD and... ITS CARES.



This "Class" is represented in -

Matthew 13:7

"And some fell among thorns: and the thorns spring up and choked them."

Yes! The "scapegoat" class are said to be among "thorns".

WHAT ARE THESE THORNS?

We see the interpretation of it by the Lord Himself -

Matthew 13:22

"....is he that heareth the word; and the care of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word and he becometh unfruitful."

Yes! This class "hear the word" of TRUTH and come forward and even SYMBOLISE their "covenant by sacrifice" and seek to follow in the FOOTSTEPS of the Master but are soon "choked".... by these "thorns" which are symbolic of -

"the care of the world"

"the deceitfulness of riches"

(THE DEEPER DETAILS OF THIS MATTER WE HAD STUDIED IN CLASS # 18- THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST - PART - 2)

Yes! This class DO NOT EXERCISE their FAITH... on the Lord and ... His WORD!

For regarding "the care of this world" and all its many WORRIES that try to CAPTURE THE MIND, the Word of the Lord says in -

Hebrews 13:5

"And be content with such things as ye have for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

Yes! God Himself tells every FOLLOWER who follows in the footsteps of the Master -

"DON'T WORRY, I AM THERE FOR YOU!

DO YOU.... BELIEVE THIS ?

To many dear Christians and especially this "scapegoat" class these are **ONLY WORDS** and... not what they actually should be

.....PROMISES FROM GOD, to be believed and

... to be APPLIED to oneself PERSONALLY!

And then regarding "the deceitfulness of riches" we

understand this to represent the NEED for the "things of this world".

Examples: The shifting to a new rented house, the purchase of vehicles or household appliances etc.

These "NEEDS" lead to the CAPTURE of our TIME which goes towards finding means of earning that extra money required to clear LOANS or to purchase those "NEEDS" - sometimes two jobs or

.....EXTRA TIME or..... even OVERTIME at work!

This leaves very little TIME or ENERGY to devote towards CHRISTIAN GROWTH and.....
DEVELOPMENT.

If only... this CHOICE of our "NEEDS" were left to the LORD let us see.... what His word promises as we read from -

Matthew 6:33

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Yes! The Lord **PROMISES** the **PROVISION** of all things **NEEDFUL!!**

AND HE KEEPS HIS PROMISES WONDERFULLY!

Ask any FAITHFUL Christian and.... He will tell you!

But this "scapegoat" class lack that FAITH on the Lord and....
the ZEAL to VOLUNTARILY fulfill their "covenant by
sacrifice"

Thus this 'scapegoat' which stays alive and is NOT SACRIFICED is.... sent into the wilderness!!

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

The "wilderness" represents SEPARATION.

Here this "class" under their JUDGEMENT shall be separated from these "thorns" of stumbling by being brought into COMPULSORY conditions of the DESTRUCTION of the "covenanted" flesh.

This brings to mind a matter that is becoming very common in our time!!

Yes! Due to the various **ECONOMIC PROBLEMS**, employers and companies - even the government, encourage the workers to take what is called



"VRS" or VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT SCHEME.

But as pressures have further increased we now have what is called



"CRS" or COMPULSORY RETIREMENT SCHEME.

Here in this condition there is NO CHOICE AT ALL FOR THE WORKERS!



There is a period when one can offer **VS** or.....**VOLUNTARY** SACRIFICE

But as time passes and we waste those opportunities then comes



....CS or.....COMPULSORY SACRIFICE !!

This we read about very clearly in -

I Corinthians 3:15

"If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved, yet so as by fire."

Yes! This FIRE is the SEVERE TESTINGS like painful diseases,.... family disaster,.... business failure etc.

which serves to BRING TO REALIZATION the FAILURE to **VOLUNTARILY** fulfill their "covenants by sacrifice."

These thus have an opportunity to REPENT and PROVE THEIR CHARACTERS TO THE LORD.



- even unto death!

.....and thus to receive a HEAVENLY SALVATION asTHE GREAT MULTITUDE CLASS on the

ANGELIC NATURE !!

Thus we have seen these ATONEMENT DAY sacrifices and their SIGNIFICANCE and the great lessons for "us" - THE CHRISTIANS.... IN THIS GOSPEL AGE!

Finally this ATONEMENT DAY of Israel was for a duration of ONE FULL DAY, which symbolizes



... the period of ONE FULL AGE for "the better sacrifices."

Yes! The present and soon to be concluding.... glorious GOSPEL AGE!



