The Asham "Living Sacrifice"



The 'Olah Sacrifice

- whole burnt offering
- transfer of identity
- surrender everything



Romans 12: Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

Jesus ended religious life in the Temple

but he still expects Temple "living".



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- First offering where confession is required.

• The offering covered sins in one of three areas:

- Sin #1--Sins against self. Leviticus 5:13
 - Concealing the truth
 - Contamination by touching
 - Careless talk

- Sin #2--Sins against God. Leviticus 5:14-19.
 - O Unintentional sin
 - Knowing a commandment but breaking it unawares.

- Sin #3--Sins against fellow man. Leviticus 6:1-7.
 - Distrustfulness
 - Dishonesty
 - Despoiling (take violently)
 - Deception (two-faced)
 - Denia



The heart of the Asham: atonement for sins against God and humanity.



2 Samuel 12: 11 "This is what the Lord says: 'Out of your own household I am going to bring calamity on you. Before your very eyes I will take your wives and give them to one who is close to you, and he will sleep with your wives in broad daylight. 12 You did it in secret, but I will do this thing in broad daylight before all Israel."

13 Then David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

Luke 15: 21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.



John 2: 3 We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. 4 Whoever says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. 5 But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: 6 Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.

John 2: 7 Dear friends, I am not writing you a new command but an old one, which you have had since the beginning. This old command is the message you have heard. 8 Yet I am writing you a new command; its truth is seen in him and in you, because the darkness is passing and the true light is already shining.

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God taking away our sin

does not entitle us to treat others the way we think they deserve.



Matthew 5: 23 "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you,

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Jesus is the sacrifice to God

AND the restitution between humans.

I Peter 2: But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. 21 To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

...24 "He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."

I Peter I: 15 But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; 16 for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

...22 have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart.



The Asham Sacrifice and you.

What is the best thing you can give to those around you?

Give others the benefit of your doubt.

Give others humility in responsibility.

Give others quick forgiveness.



The true character of a Christian is seen in their conduct towards others (especially those they don't like)

Ephesians 4: 25 Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. 26 "In your anger do not sin"...29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths...31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.



Who do you need to make restitution with?



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