



HE IS
Risen

CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

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*And by that will, we have
been made holy through the
sacrifice of the body of
Jesus Christ once for all.*

Hebrews 10:10

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Leviticus 1:1–9

The Meaning of the Burnt Offering

The burnt offering was the most basic, most complete, and most frequent of all the sacrifices in the Old Testament

When someone brought a burnt offering, they weren't saying, "God, I sinned."

"If the offering is a burnt offering from the herd, you are to offer a male without defect. You must present it at the entrance to the tent of meeting so that it will be acceptable to the Lord."

Leviticus 1:3

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The Meaning of the Burnt Offering

No portion was kept for the priest

No meat was eaten by the worshiper

It was completely devoted to God

The result?

“A pleasing aroma to the Lord.”

Not because of the smell of burning meat
but because it represented total devotion

A heart that said, **“God, I am Yours entirely.”**

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The Fulfillment in Jesus

The burnt offering was only a shadow

The substance came when Jesus Christ gave Himself up on the cross

*Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a **fragrant offering** and sacrifice to God.*

Ephesians 5:1-2

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The Fulfillment in Jesus

Every part of His life was offered in obedience

Every step, every word, every moment of His suffering was laid on the altar of God's will

He was the perfect, complete, sacrifice for sin



The Wood and the Cross

The altar in Leviticus was made of wood

Centuries later, another piece of wood would be lifted up on a hill outside Jerusalem

The fire of God's judgment fell there but it didn't consume us. It consumed Him

He became what we could never be, perfectly righteous, perfectly obedient, perfectly surrendered

"It is finished,"



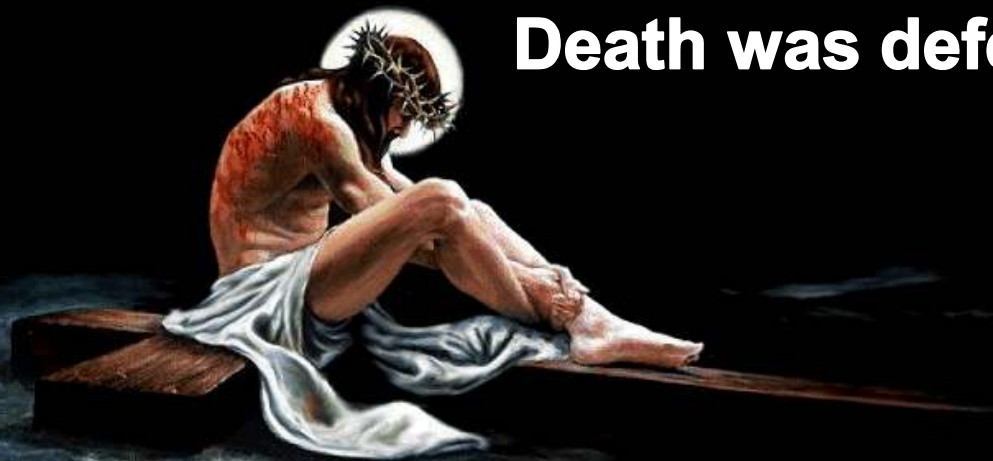
The Accepted Sacrifice

The smoke rose to heaven, and God said, **“This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”**

Then three days later the tomb was empty

The offering was complete

Death was defeated



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Living Sacrifices

*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. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.*

Romans 12:1–2



Living Sacrifices

In view of what Jesus has done

In view of the cross

In view of the resurrection

We no longer bring animals to an altar

We bring ourselves



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Living Sacrifices

God isn't looking for burnt offerings anymore, He's looking for burning hearts

He doesn't want just a piece of you

He wants you

What Does It Mean to Be Fully Offered?



Living Sacrifices

It means we hold nothing back

No part of our life off-limits to God

“God, you can have my Sundays
but also, my Mondays.”

“You can have my voice in worship
but also, my words at home.”

“You can have my love for You
but also, my forgiveness for them

The burnt offering is a call to **total devotion**



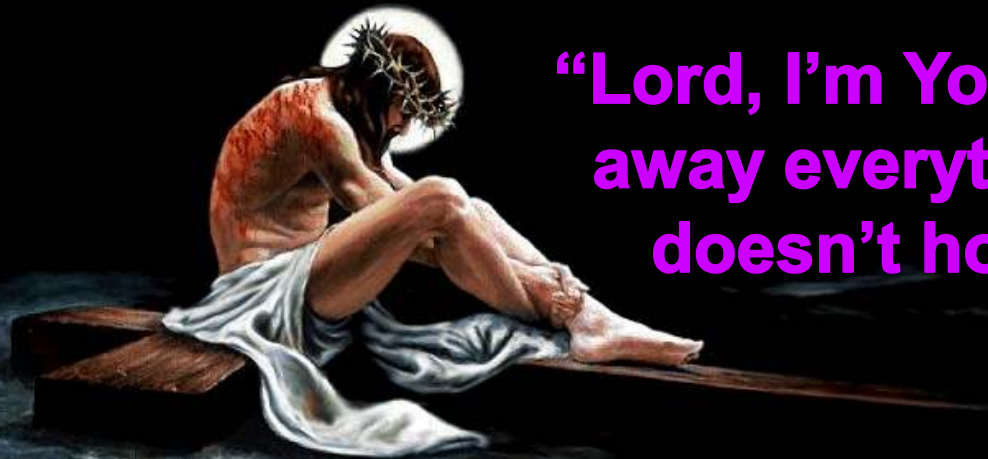
Living Sacrifices

And when we do that, when we live as living sacrifices, Scripture says it is **“holy and pleasing to God.”**

Our lives become a **“pleasing aroma”** to Him

What Does That Look Like This Week?

“Lord, I’m Yours. Burn away everything that doesn’t honor You.”



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Coming to the Altar

It reminds us of the altar where the fire never went out and the cross where the Son of God laid down His life

It points us to the empty tomb where the offering was accepted and the victory was won

The burnt offering was consumed completely

So was the love of Jesus poured out completely for you

“Here I am, Lord — all of me.”



Come to the Altar

Because Jesus gave His
all, we give our all

The tomb is empty

The altar is ready

The fire still burns



He is risen

He is Worthy

He is All

