

Bible reading:

Numbers 6:13-17

Luke 22:14-20

13 “Now this is the law of the Nazirite when the period of their dedication is over. They are to be brought to the entrance to the tent of meeting.

14 There they are to present their offerings to the Lord: a year-old male lamb without defect for a burnt offering, a year-old ewe lamb without defect for a sin offering, a ram without defect for a fellowship offering, 15 together with their grain offerings and drink offerings, and a basket of bread made with the finest flour and without yeast – thick loaves with olive oil mixed in, and thin loaves brushed with olive oil.

16 “The priest is to present all these before the Lord and make the sin offering and the burnt offering. 17 He is to present the basket of unleavened bread and is to sacrifice the ram as a fellowship offering to the Lord, together with its grain offering and drink offering.

14 When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. 15 And he said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. 16 For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfilment in the kingdom of God.'

17 After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, 'Take this and divide it among you. 18 For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.'

19 And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'

20 In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.'

Sacrifices:

- Sin offering
- Burnt offerings and grain offerings
- Fellowship offering

- Sin offering

- To cover the sin
- Animal is burnt outside the camp
- Makes acceptable to God

Burnt offerings and grain offerings

- Consecrated to God
- Means dedication to God
- Priest may eat part of it, unless he made the sacrifice for himself

Fellowship offering

- Fellowship or peace offering:
- Name: Shalam where Shalom comes from: means both to pay as peace
- Element of fellowship with God and with another
- Peace in its fullness not absence of conflict,
- Person offering was allowed to eat a part for himself

Sacrifices

- Animals: sheep, cattle, doves. Both meat, fat and blood
- Grain
- Incense
- Bread of presence
- Lampstand with light
- Salt
- Olive oil

Sacrifices: self dedication

- Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship.
- Ro 12:1 1

Grain:

- I tell you the truth, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. 25
The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.

John 12: 24

Salt

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men.

Mat. 5:13 13

Light

14 "You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

Incense - Our lives

- But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him. 15 For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing.
 - 2Cor2:14

Incense - Our prayers

- the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.
 - Rev 8

Incense - Our prayers

- I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God.
 - Filippians 4:18

Sign of Sacrifices

- The sacrifices that God prepared for us in Christ, to make us acceptable
- The sacrifice to God that we are to Him, now he has accepted us – a dedicated life
- The signs of the fellowship that we have with God and with one another

