

## The Gospel in Moses' Tabernacle

### *The Altar Story*

(Heb 13:10-12; Exodus 27:1-8)

At the Altar there would be Three Things:

#### I. An Apprehensive Sinner

- A. The Desire to be Right with God
- B. The Difficulty in being Reconciled with God
- C. The Door to a Relationship with God (John 10:9, John 14:6)

#### II. The Animal Substitute

- A. The Command for a Substitute (Ex 34:20)
- B. The Criteria for a Substitute (Lev 1:3)
- C. The Consecration of the Substitute (Lev 1:4-6)
  1. The Substitute is personally identified with Your Sin.
  2. You are personally identified with The Substitute's Death.

#### III. An Appealing Sacrifice

- A. Fire Consumes the Sacrifice (Lev 1:7-8; Lev 9:24; Lev 6:12-15)
- B. Blood Applied to the Altar (Lev 1:10-11; Lev 4:5-7; Lev 17:11)
- C. Smoke Ascends to Heaven (Lev 1:9b; 13b; 17b; Eph 5:2)
- D. Ashes Removed from Tabernacle (Lev 4:11-12)
  1. Ashes are symbolic of our Sin.
  2. Removal of the ashes is symbolic of God's Forgiveness.  
(Isaiah 1:18; Isaiah 43:25; Rom 4:7-8)

Therefore, the Altar of Burnt Offering Teaches us Several Things:

- Substitutionary Sacrifice is Necessary for God's Forgiveness.  
(Heb 9:13-14; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18)
- Forgiveness of sins depends on Christ's Shed Blood.  
(Heb 9:22-28; Eph 1:7; 1John 1:7)
- Salvation is based only on our Faith in our Substitute.  
(Exodus 20:25-26; Eph 2:8-9; Rom 1:16-18)

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