

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- How did people in the Old Testament pay for sin?
- Why don't we offer sacrifices to pay for our sin? Who can take away our sin?
- Write a thank-you prayer to Jesus for being the ultimate sacrifice for sin.

Rules for Sacrifice

Leviticus

STORY POINT: GOD IS HOLY AND REQUIRES A SACRIFICE FOR SIN.

God is holy and cannot be around sin, but the Israelites could not keep God's laws perfectly. So God met with Moses in the tabernacle. He gave the people rules about how to live, how to worship God, and what to do when they sinned.

First, God gave rules about offerings. Offerings are gifts people give to God. Different types of offerings were needed at different times.

God also gave rules about the priests. Priests made the sacrifices that God commanded. The priests took care of the tabernacle, and they taught the people God's rules for living holy lives.

God told Moses about a special day that would happen once a year. It was called the Day of Atonement. On the Day of Atonement, the high priest went into the most holy place, a very special room in the tabernacle, to offer sacrifices for the sins of his family and for all the people.

God said, "On that day your sin will be paid for. You will be clean from all of your sins in My sight."

Christ Connection: The sacrifices God required of His

people were a hint of what God was going to do to forgive sinners.

We no longer need to offer sacrifices because we trust in Jesus. Jesus offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice that takes away our sin once and for all.

