

ATONEMENT

SPASM SESSION II

Hebrews 12:22-24

- Glory be to Jesus, Who, in bitter pains, Poured for me the lifeblood From His sacred veins!
- Grace and life eternal In that blood I find; Blest be His compassion, Infinitely kind.
- Blest through endless ages Be the precious stream Which from endless torments Doth the world redeem.
- Abel's blood for vengeance Pleaded to the skies; But the blood of Jesus For our pardon cries.
- Oft as it is sprinkled On our guilty hearts, Satan in confusion Terror struck departs.

# GOD IS HOLY...MAN IS SINFUL

- Exodus 3:1-5
- Isaiah 6:1-5
- Luke 5:8-10
- Romans 3:9-23
- I Timothy 6:15b-16

# HOW CAN AN UNHOLY PEOPLE APPROACH A HOLY GOD?

- Hebrews 10:19-22
  - Passover
  - Sacrificial System
  - The Day of Atonement
  - Redemption, Reconciliation
  - Propitiation, Expiation, Justification

# PASSOVER

- Exodus 12
- Deliverance
- NT: Communion: Synoptics
- Gospel of John
- John 10:17-18
- John 19:14, 31-36 & Exodus 12:46, Numbers 9:12

# SACRIFICIAL SYSTEM

- Leviticus 1-7
- A Gracious Gift
- Jesus offered himself once and for all: Hebrews 7:27; 9:12, 26, 28; 10:10, 12, 14, 18
- Ephesians 5:2
- John 1:29 & 1 Peter 2:24

# THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

- Leviticus 16 The Great Fasting Day
- Hebrews 6:19-10:39 full access & complete forgiveness

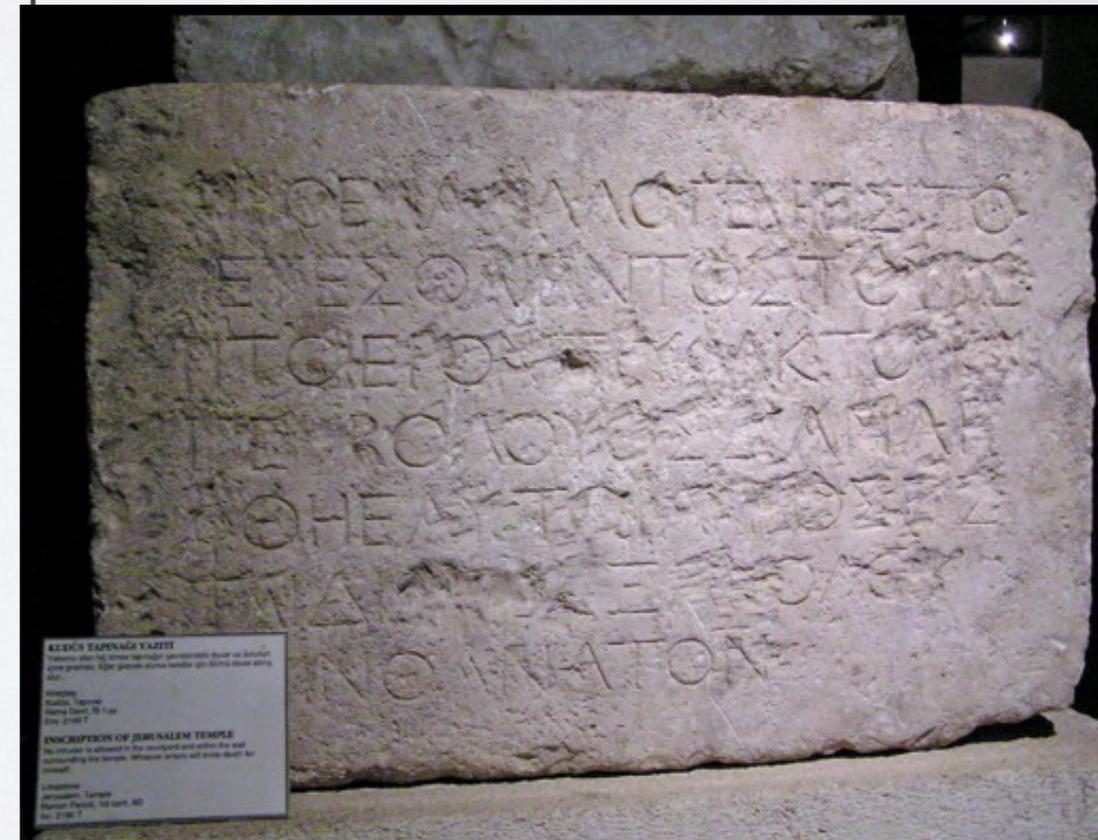
Leviticus	Hebrews
Aaron	Melchizedek
Own sins	Blameless
Shadow	Reality
Earthly	Heavenly
Only HP	Curtain Torn
Inward	Outward

# REDEMPTION

- Greek warfare
- Romans 7:21-23, Galatians 3:22-23
- Jewish Background
- John 8:31-36
- Redemption: Payment of a price is fundamental
- Ro 3:24, Mk 10:45, Acts 20:28, I Cor 6:19-20, 7:22-23, Rev 5:9-10, I Ptr 1:17-19
- Future Redemption: Romans 8:23 & Ephesians 4:30

# RECONCILIATION

- 2 Corinthians 5:18-20, Romans 5:10, Colossians 1:21-22
- Restore to friendship. Only possible because the root cause of conflict has been dealt with, sin.
- Ephesians 2:11-18 "...He himself is our peace..."
- Shalom: not absence but presence
- Romans 16:20



# PROPITIATION OR EXPIATION

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God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement	whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood	whom God put forward as an expiation by his blood, to be received by faith.	God offered him, so that by his bloodd he should become the means by which people's sins are forgiven

- **Propitiation** means the turning away of anger; it is a personal word; one propitiates a person.
- **Expiation** is rather the making amends for a wrong. It is an impersonal word; one expiates a sin or a crime.
- Wrath of God: more than twenty different words are used by the OT writers to convey the thought of the wrath of God, with a total of more than 580 occurrences of the words.
- Old Testament writers speak of his anger, an anger that is inseparably bound up with his love. It is because he loves us that he is so opposed to the evil in us, that evil that makes us so much less than we ought to be and cuts us off from so much blessing.

# THE WRATH OF GOD AGAINST SINNERS

- Context of Romans
- 1:18 "The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness..." (2:5, 2:8, 3:5, 4:15)
- 3:25-26 "God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, a through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— 26 he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus."
- Isaiah 53:4-5 "we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. "

# JUSTIFICATION

- one word (dikaios) does duty for the two concepts. (Righteousness & justice)
- Righteous/Justified: Primarily Legal (Jewish) not Ethical (Greek)
- An important idea in the New Testament is that righteousness may be imputed.
  - "Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness" (Gn. 15:6). Romans 4
  - "Phinehas stood up and intervened, and the plague was checked. This was credited to him as righteousness..." (Psalm 106:30-31)
- Romans 3:25-26 God saves in a way which is not only powerful but which is right.
- We are justified, not by what we do, but by what Christ has done. Paul puts it simply when he says that we are 'justified by his blood' (Rom. 5:9). He links our justification directly with the death of Jesus.
- Romans 5:18-19 & 2 Corinthians 5:21

# FURTHER STUDY

- The Atonement: Its Meaning and Significance
- Leon L. Morris

