

Lesson VII.

THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

August 18, 1907

Leviticus 16: 5-22. Commit to memory v. 2. Read Leviticus, chs. 16, 17; Hebrews, ch. 9.

GOLDEN TEXT—Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him.—
Hebrews 7: 25.

5 And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two ¹kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

6 And Aa'ron shall ²offer his bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make ³an atonement for himself, and for his house.

7 And he shall take the two goats, and ⁴present them before the Lord at the door of the ⁵tabernacle of the congregation.

8 And Aa'ron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the Lord, and the other lot ⁶for the scapegoat.

9 And Aa'ron shall ⁷bring the goat upon which the ⁸Lord's lot fell, and offer him for a sin offering.

10 But the goat, on which the lot fell ⁹to be the scapegoat, shall be ⁴presented alive before the Lord, to make ³an atonement ¹⁰with him, ¹¹and to ¹²let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.

11 And Aa'ron shall ⁷bring the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and shall make ³an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which is for himself:

12 And he shall take a censer full of ¹³burning coals of fire from off the altar before the Lord, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the veil:

13 And he shall put the incense upon the fire before the Lord, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon the testimony, that he die not:

14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat ¹⁵eastward; and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times.

15 Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering.

Revised Version—¹he-goats; ²present the; ³Omit an; ⁴set; ⁵tent of meeting; ⁶for Azazel; ⁷present; ⁸lot fell for the Lord; ⁹for; ¹⁰Omit and; ¹¹send him away for Azazel; ¹²Omit burning; ¹³on the east; ¹⁴his; ¹⁵uncleanesses; ¹⁶even all; ¹⁷dwelleth with; ¹⁸assembly; ¹⁹atonement for; ²⁰and he shall put; ²¹man that is in readiness; ²²solitary land.

LESSON PLAN

I. Sacrifice Required, 5-10.

II. Atonement Made, 11-19.

III. Sin Removed, 20-22.

DAILY READING

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M.—The day of atonement, Lev. 16: 5-14. T.—The day of atonement, Lev. 16: 15-22. W.—Sabbath of rest, Lev. 23: 23-32. Th.—Our atonement, Rom. 5: 1-11. F.—Reconciliation, 2 Cor. 5: 14-21. S.—Redemption by blood, Col. 1: 9-22. S.—Putting away sin, Heb. 9: 16-28.

Shorter Catechism—Ques. 66. What is the reason annexed to the fifth commandment? A. The

that is for the people, and bring his blood within the veil, and do with ¹⁴that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:

16 And he shall make ³an atonement for the holy place because of the ¹⁵uncleaness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions ¹⁶in all their sins; and so shall he do for the ⁵tabernacle of the congregation, that ¹⁷remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

17 And there shall be no man in the ⁵tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make ³an atonement in the holy place, until he come out, and have made ³an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the ¹⁸congregation of Israel.

18 And he shall go out unto the altar that is before the Lord, and make ³an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about.

19 And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the ¹⁵uncleaness of the children of Israel.

20 And when he hath made an end of ¹⁹reconciling the holy place, and the ⁵tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall ⁷bring the live goat:

21 And Aa'ron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions ¹⁶in all their sins, ²⁰putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a ²¹fit man into the wilderness:

22 And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a ²²land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness.

reason annexed to the fifth commandment, is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God's glory and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.

The Question on Missions—(Third Quarter, HOME MISSIONS IN ALBERTA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.)—7. Describe the Provinces of Alberta and British Columbia. Like Manitoba and Saskatchewan, Alberta is chiefly a prairie Province, with large wheat-growing areas. It has, besides, many horse and cattle ranches. British Columbia is a Province of mountains and mines, forests, fisheries and fruit-lands.

Lesson Hymns—Book of Praise, 313 (Supplemental Lesson); 46; 52; 76 (Ps. Sel.); 403 (from PRIMARY QUARTERLY); 50.

EXPOSITION

Time and Place—B.C. 1490; at Mount Sinai.

Connecting Links—The death of Nadab and Abihu was followed by a solemn warning to Aaron not to enter the Holy of Holies, save at the time and in the manner divinely appointed, vs. 1, 2. The Lesson comes immediately after, containing directions as to the services of the great Day of Atonement. These services were to be held annually (v. 34; ch. 23: 26-32), on the tenth day of the seventh month, immediately before the Feast of Tabernacles, the great harvest festival.

I. Sacrifice Required, 5-10.

V. 5. *He*; Aaron the high priest, having first bathed himself and put on linen garments of spotless white (v. 4), the symbol of the holiness which God requires, Heb. 12: 14. Besides, Aaron wore on his white turban the golden plate inscribed, "Holiness to the Lord", Ex. 28: 36. *The congregation*. The sacrifice to be presented by the people is first prescribed. *Two kids of the goats*; to be provided at the people's expense, and, according to Jewish tradition, to be of the same color, size and value. *For a sin offering*. Read carefully