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Introduction

Through the anointing oil, the sacrificial blood of animals, and the sacrifices that were reduced to ashes by the fire that was on the Brazen Altar (plus the hair of the Nazarite that was put upon the Altar under the peace offering), God very clearly pictured, under the shadow and type, the LORD's Holy *Tetragrammaton* Name. We can gain the four great spiritual experiences pictured for us in these shadows and types, which were natural substances and experiences, by laying hold of what God has for us in Christ Jesus, inside the Brazen Altar, because He desires to bring us to Himself.

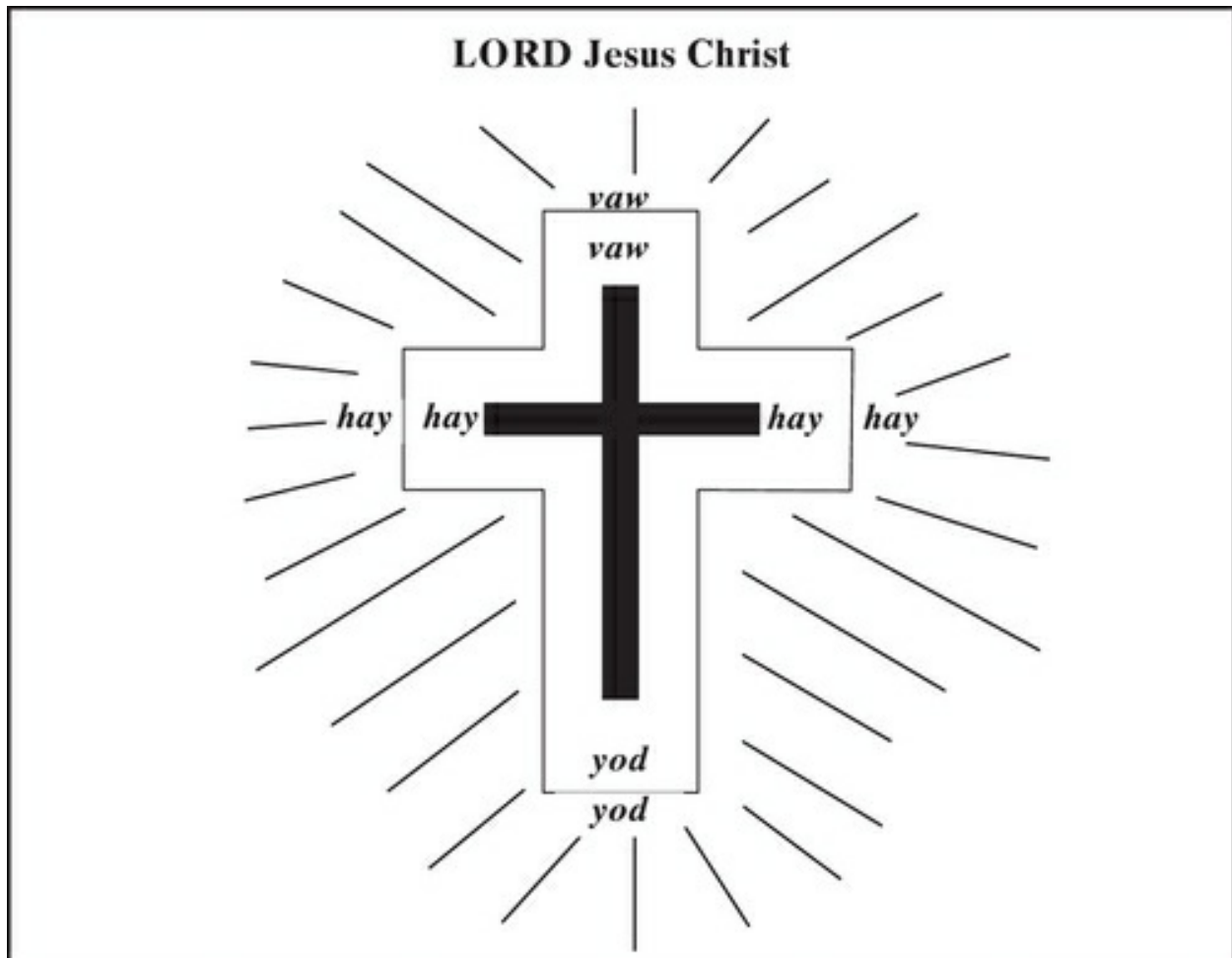
First, in his experience with the LORD, by faith, the believer takes on Christ's Blood for forgiveness of sins, after repentance has been made.

Second, by faith, the believer surrenders to be a living sacrifice, along with Christ on the Altar, as the believer takes on the LORD's consuming Fire that changes his form and reduces him to ashes, as it were.

Third, as ashes, the believer falls to the bottom of the Altar on the inside, which is a solitary, secret, hidden place, where he is joined to the LORD's Sin Offering Blood and His Name, as the believer lifts up the LORD's Name in prayer in his solitary prayer closet. Inside the Altar is the place of unity with the LORD Jesus Christ and the Brethren.

Fourth, the believer who has taken on the tenfold Blood of Christ and who has surrendered to be consumed by the LORD's Fire and who possesses the endurance to stay in the Fire to become ashes at the bottom of the Altar receives the privilege to be joined to the Anointing Oil of the Father's Tetragrammaton Name, *LORD*.

The LORD Jesus Christ, Who is God's Eternal Altar, said "I am in the Father, and the Father is in me" (John 14:11). In other words, His Father (LORD) was inside and outside of Jesus Christ.

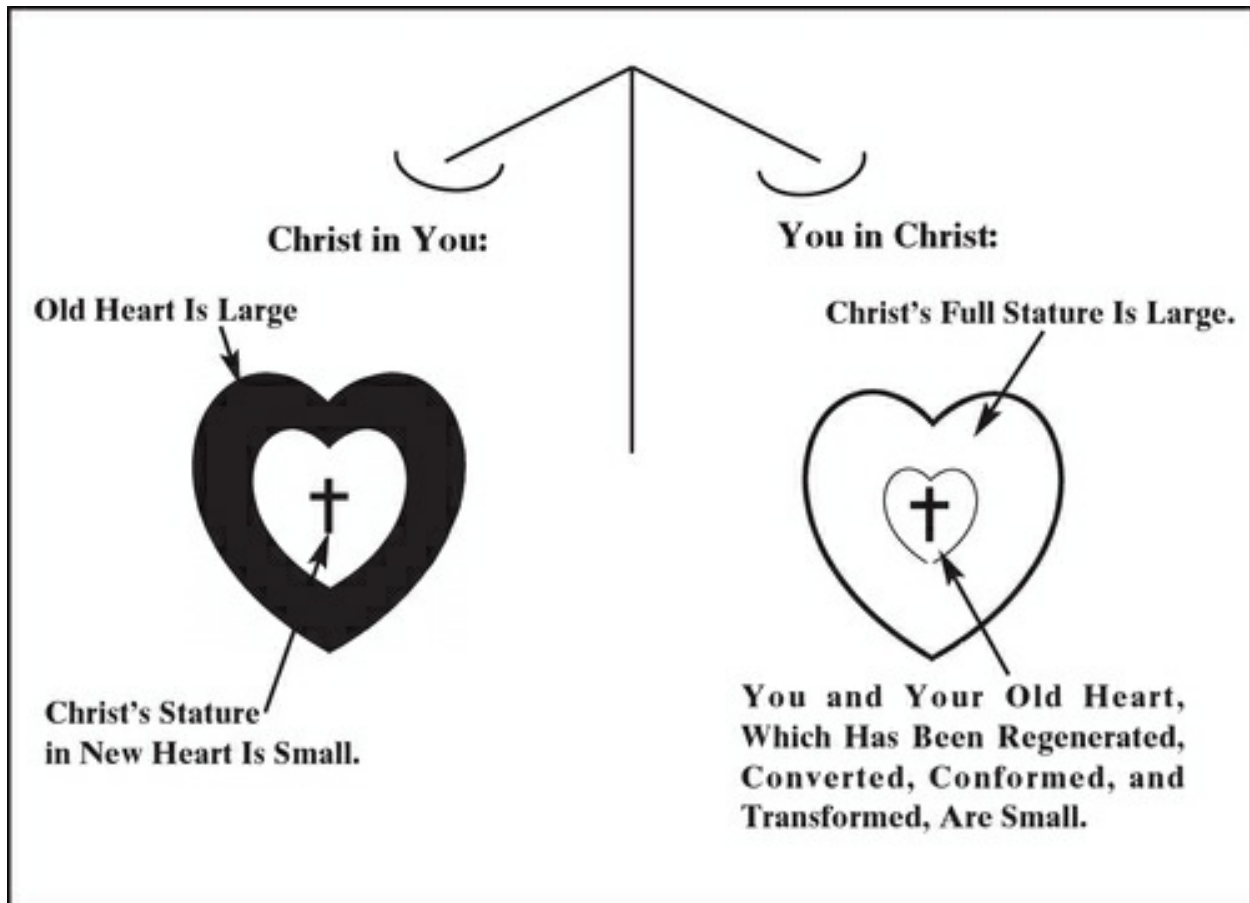


In Colossians 1:27, God's Word says that Christ in you is the hope of glory. The *kaw-bode* Glory of Christ's Headship within us is the Glory-seed of hope that, in the resurrection, we shall put on the Unbegotten *kaw-bode* Glory of the Father. The Apostle Paul said:

Therefore **if any man be in Christ**, *he* is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new (II Corinthians 5:7).

Furthermore, when the believer puts off the old man, called Adam the First, and puts on the New Man, Christ Jesus, he will have his whole being clothed with Christ. Hence, the believer will have Christ *inside* and *outside*. He will be one with Christ and His Father, and old thoughts, feelings, principles, and practices will have passed away. Christ, through regeneration, conversion, conformation, and transformation, creates new thoughts, new feelings, new principles, and new principles, and new practices within believers.

If Christ is in us, as believers, we have hope of being led, governed, and guided by the *kaw-bode* Glory from God's Mercy Seat or His Headship. God's *kaw-bode* Glory from God's Mercy Seat or His Headship. God's *kaw-bode* Glory will lead and guide us into the full growth of Jesus Christ's Spiritual Stature, and His Stature will swallow up the stature of our old man until we find ourselves lost completely and enveloped fully with His own glorious Person. Hence, when we are *in* Christ, we *are* a new creature!

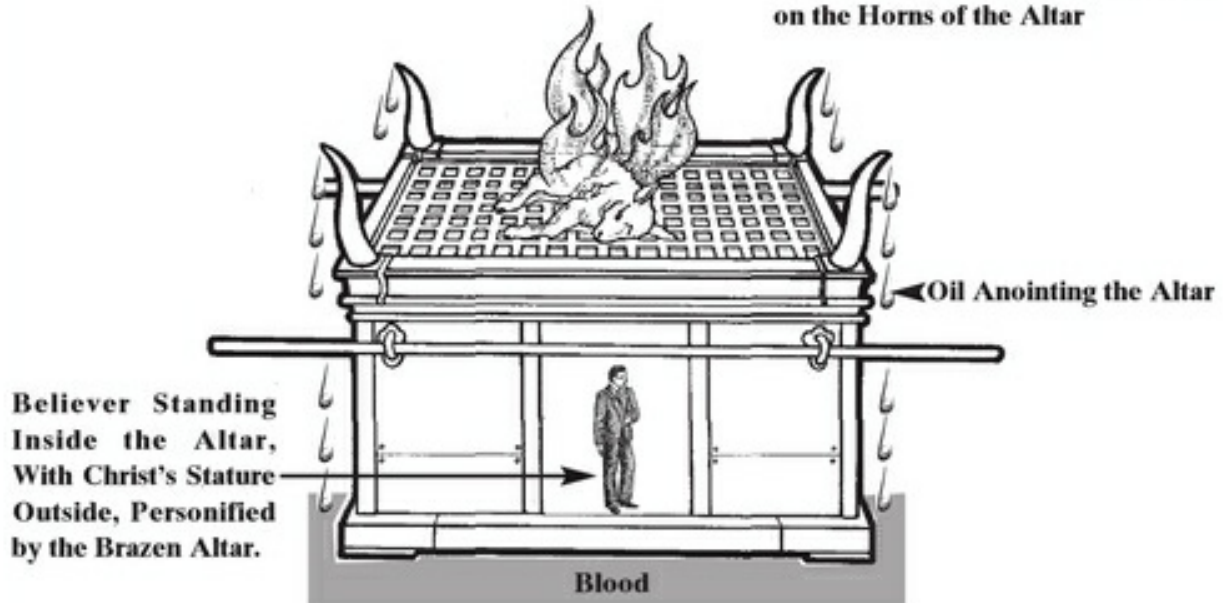


As believers grow in the LORD Jesus Christ, their old hearts decrease, and Christ and His New Heart increase until the believers' old hearts are inside Christ, completely shut in with God.

This experience is pictured by ten different kinds of animals for sin offerings that were sacrificed on the Brazen Altar. Their blood was poured at the bottom of the Altar, and the part of the sacrifice appointed for the LORD was burnt upon the Altar. These burnt sacrifices fell through the grate as ashes, going to the bottom of the Altar where they were joined to the blood in the bottom of the Altar and to the Holy Anointing Oil. When we are *in* Christ Jesus, we are joined to the small "no forms" of His precious Blood and ashes and to the drops, as it were, of the Holy Anointing Oil.

Exodus 29:10-12

Blood Was in the Highest Place—
on the Horns of the Altar



Blood Flowed Down to the Lowest Place—
Under the Bottom of the Altar—Forming
the Foundation of the Whole Stature.

The LORD God provided, at the bottom of the Brazen Altar, ten different degrees of Sin Offering Blood that atone for all our sins against God's Divine Law, the *Torah*-Truth. Jesus Christ's Blood contained all ten degrees of atonement for our sins.

The following diagram shows an overview that will help to clarify this Truth. Each layer of Christ's foundational Blood fits together with one of the Ten Commandments, providing the Substance to mend God's Laws that man has broken.

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
10. Pigeon Blood—Tenth Commandment: “Thou shalt not covet.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance in Hearing and Touching and Swearing (Leviticus 5:1-9).
9. Turtledove Blood—Ninth Commandment: “Thou shalt not bear false witness.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance in Hearing and Touching and Swearing (Leviticus 5:1-4,7-9).
8. Female Lamb Blood—Eighth Commandment: “Thou shalt not steal.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:32-34).
7. Female Kid Goat Blood—Seventh Commandment: “Thou shalt not commit adultery.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:27,30).
6. Goat Blood—Sixth Commandment: “Thou shalt not kill.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Ruler (Leviticus 4:22,25).
5. Bullock Blood—Fifth Commandment: “Honour thy father and thy mother.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Whole Congregation (Leviticus 4:13,18).
4. Bullock Blood—Fourth Commandment: “Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Priesthood (Leviticus 4:3-7).
3. Kid Goat Blood—Third Commandment: “Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain.” Sin Offering for Sins of the People (Leviticus 9:15).
2. Calf Blood—Second Commandment: “Thou shalt have no other gods before me.” Sin Offering for Aaron Himself (Leviticus 9:8,9).
1. Bullock Blood—First Commandment: “I am the LORD thy God.” Sin Offering for Consecration of Aaron and His Sons (Exodus 29:4-14)

May the LORD bless this study to your heart, and may you experience laying hold of all of Christ’s ten degrees of Sin Offering Blood that He shed on Calvary’s Cross for our redemption and spiritual growth because He loves us and desires to bring us into Unity with Him, His Heavenly Father, and our Brothers in Christ.

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Chapter One

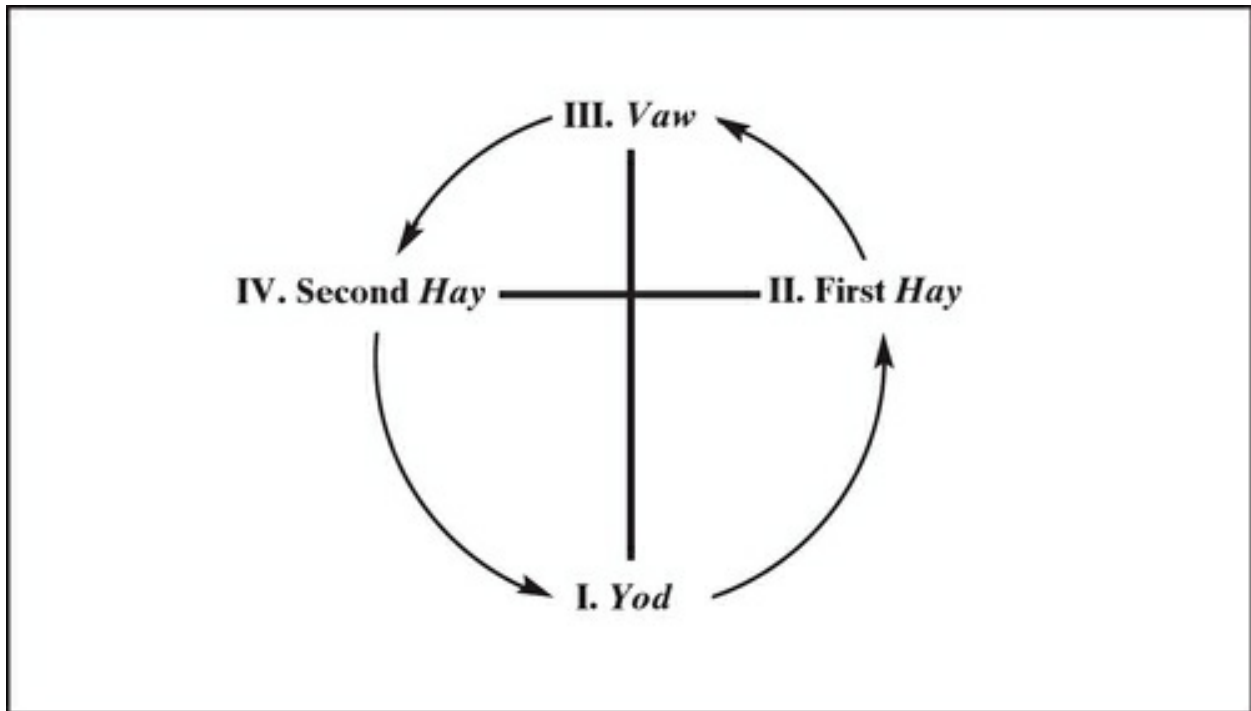
The Anointing Of The Father's Holy Name Inside And Outside The Brazen Altar

The Brazen Altar was the largest piece of furniture in the Mosaic Tabernacle in the wilderness. This Altar stood directly in front of the Tabernacle's principal entrance. Its length and breadth were equal, making the Altar foursquare. On the Altar were four horns: one horn on each of its four corners. The Brazen Altar was made of shittim (acacia) wood overlaid with plates of brass. A grate or network of brass was attached in the middle part of Altar, which was hollow. This hollow part created a hearth to hold and support the sacrifice and the LORD's miraculous Fire, which was maintained perpetually so that it could consume the sacrifices prepared by the Priests. The earth that made up the bottom of the Altar was filled with blood from sin offerings. This earth and blood presents a picture of the LORD Jesus Christ: the earth is a picture of His Humanity, and the blood is a picture of His Divinity from His Heavenly Father.

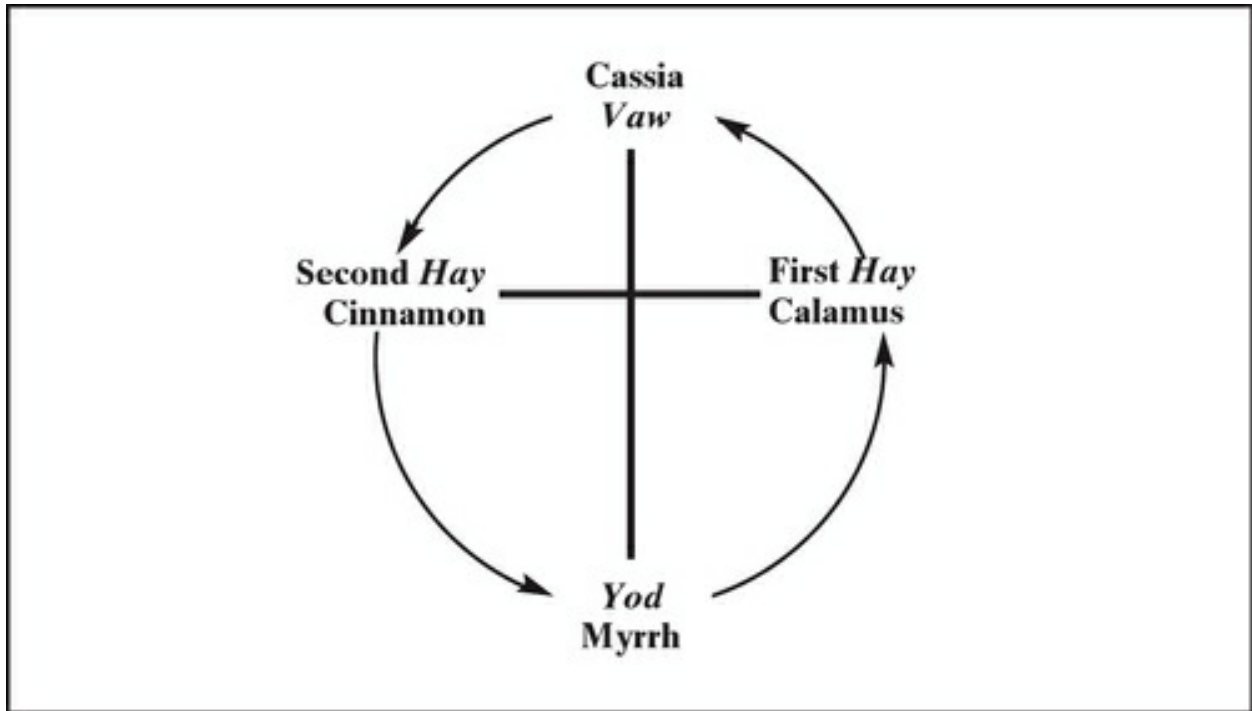
The Hebrew word for *bottom* is *yesode*, from the root word *yawsad*, which means a foundation, repairing, to sit down together, settle, consult, appoint, take counsel, establish, lay a foundation, instruct, ordain, set, sure.

On the outside and inside of the Brazen Altar was the Anointing Oil that was a picture of the LORD's Tetragrammaton Name. This Anointing Oil, used to anoint and consecrate the Altar completely to the LORD God for His Purposive Will and Master Plan, was a picture, shadow, and type of the LORD's great Tetragrammaton Name, which consists of the weakest, most humble letters in the Hebrew alphabet. These four letters are as follows: *yod, hay, vaw; hay*.

These letters reveal themselves in the form of both a cross and a wheel.



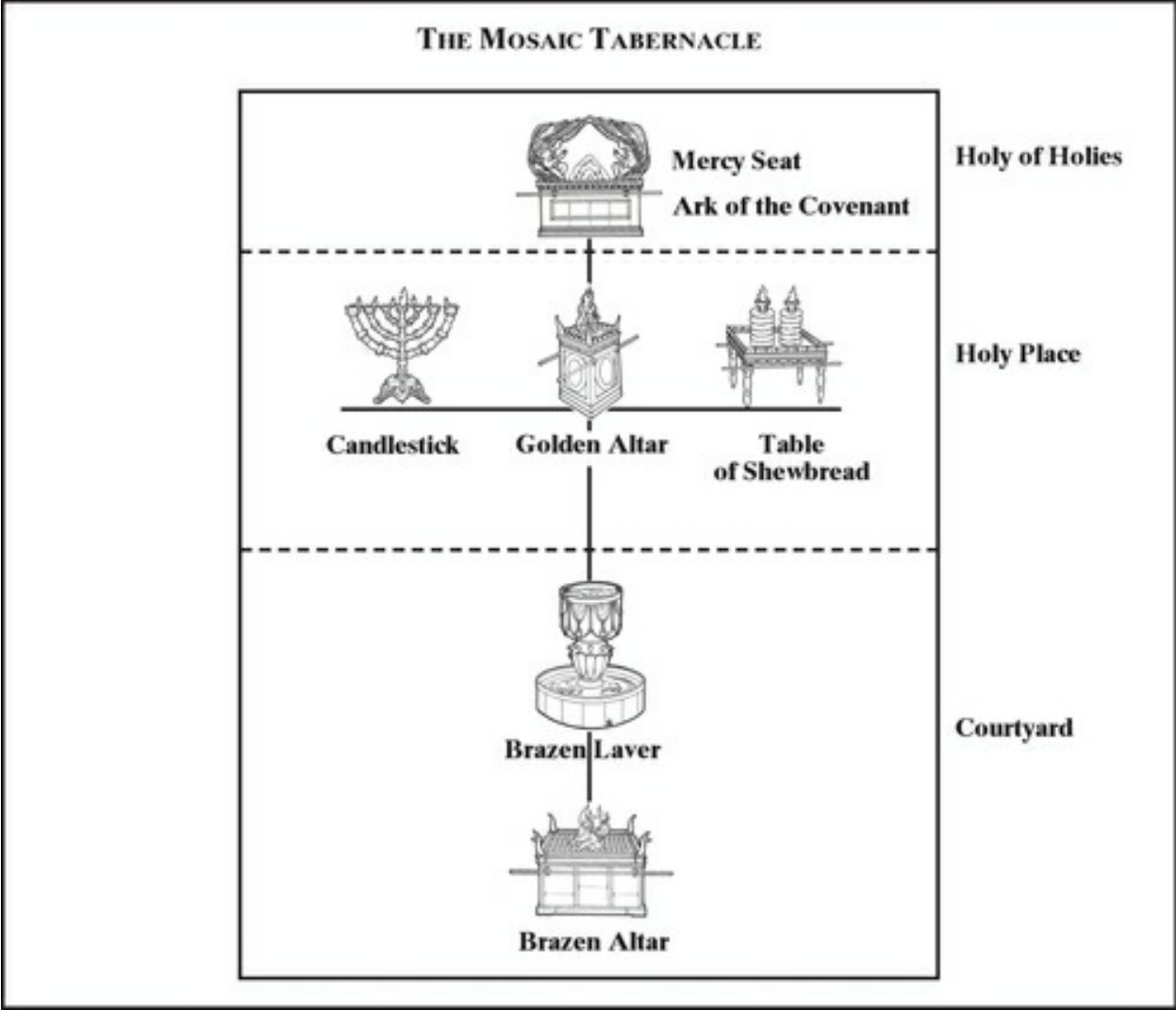
The four ingredients in the Old Testament Anointing Oil pictured these four letters.



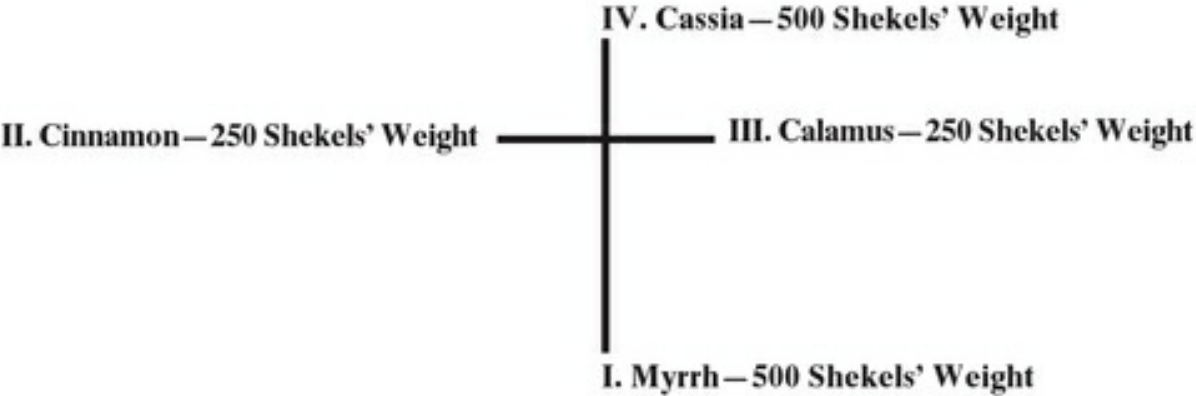
Jesus Christ made the following declaration:

All things are delivered unto me of my Father: **and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son,** and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him* (Matthew 11:27).

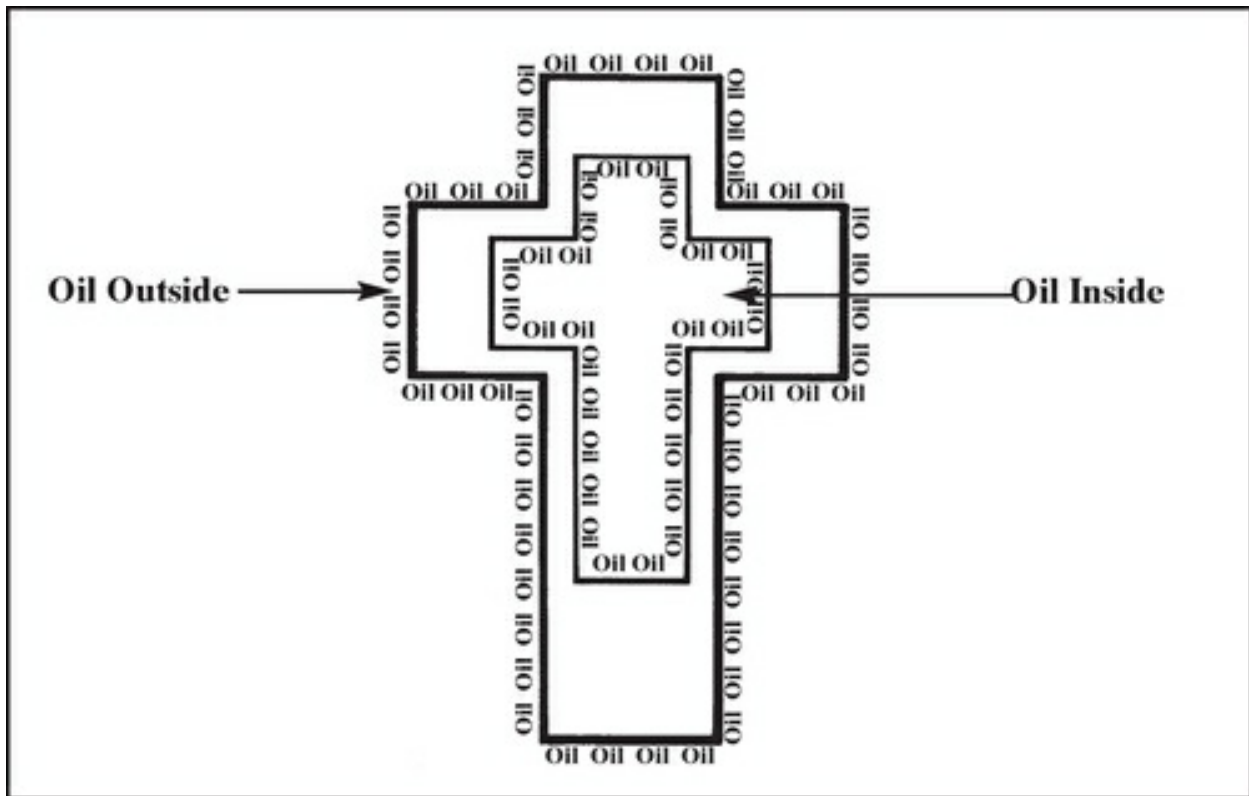
Since no one knows the Father but the Son, then, obviously, the Son must reveal the Father. Jesus Christ, the Crucified One, came in His Father's Name. Consequently, Jesus first teaches us the divine order of His Father's Name in His Cross. The Cross is revealed in the Old Testament Tabernacle in its furniture that was laid out in the form of the Cross, according to the directions Moses received from God, which are recorded in the fortieth chapter of Exodus.



The ingredients of the Anointing Oil were also laid out in the form of the Cross since all the furniture in the Tabernacle was anointed.



These ingredients were ground together to force out the oils into one unified oil that was applied to the outside and inside of the furniture in the Tabernacle.



This Anointing Oil pictured the *Father's Name*, LORD, that was outside and inside the Tabernacle, and the Tabernacle pictured *Jesus Christ's Stature*. This is why Jesus said the following:

Believest thou not that **I am in the Father, and the Father in me?** the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: **but the Father that dwelleth in me**, he doeth the works (John 14:10).

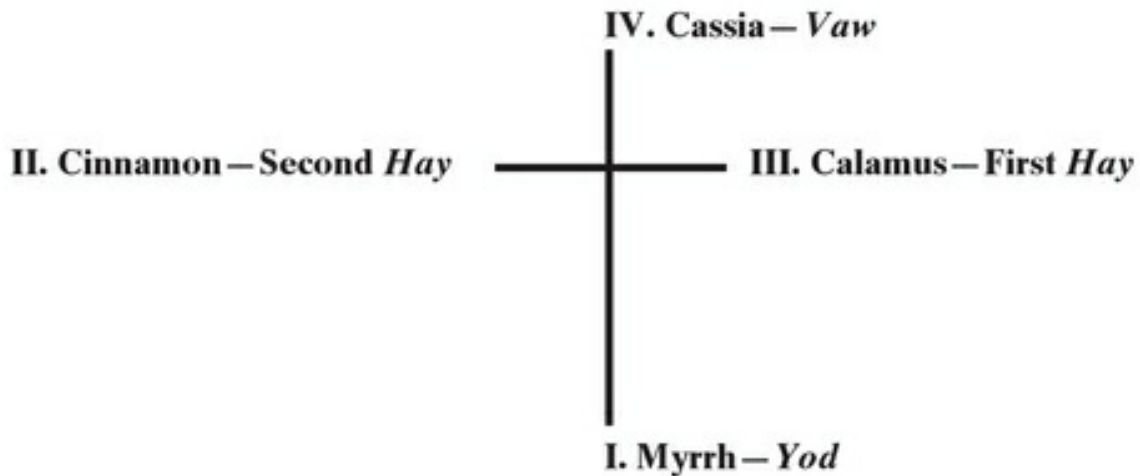
The Father's anointed Name, LORD, was outside and inside Jesus, just as the Old Testament Tabernacle demonstrated in the type and shadow, through the anointing of all the furniture and the Tabernacle.

Believers are called and commanded to grow up in the LORD Jesus Christ's Spiritual Stature. The order of the four ingredients of the Anointing Oil describe the hub of the LORD's Holy Name that revolves around Christ Jesus, both inside and outside. However, in the revolving and turning of the LORD's Name, the order of the same ingredients of His Name is different from their order when they proceed upward in the Cross. These different orders will be evident as our study progresses.

God revealed the type and shadow of His Holy Name to Moses in the form of the Cross.

Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, **Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure myrrh five hundred shekels, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels, And of cassia five hundred shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an hin:** And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: **it shall be an holy anointing oil. And thou shalt anoint the tabernacle** of the congregation therewith, **and the ark of the testimony, And the table and all his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of incense, And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the laver and his foot.** And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy. And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that *they* may minister unto me in the priest's office. And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, This shall be an holy anointing oil unto me throughout your generations. Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make *any other* like it, after the composition of it: *it is holy, and it shall be holy unto you.* Whosoever compoundeth *any* like it, or whosoever putteth *any* of it upon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people (Exodus 30:22-33).

When we study the LORD's Name in connection with the Anointing Oil, the pattern of His Name changes from a circle and goes in the following order.



I. Myrrh—Yod—Wisdom

Myrrh was the first ingredient of the Holy Anointing Oil. The Hebrew word for *myrrh* is *more*, meaning distilling in drops as bitter. It comes from the Hebrew root word *mawrar*, meaning to trickle. Myrrh is a picture of the humility of the LORD's Holy Name that is so bitter to man's sinful pride.

The myrrh in the Anointing Oil was to be pure myrrh. The Hebrew root word for *pure* is *derore*, meaning to move rapidly, freedom, having spontaneity of outflow, and so clear, liberty.

Naomi's life so clearly reveals the pure humility myrrh of the LORD's Holy Name. Along with her husband, Naomi left Bethlehem in a time of famine to sojourn in the land of Moab. While they were there, their two sons married Moabitish girls.

Naomi had left the chastening famine, which the LORD had sent on Bethlehem-Juda, and had gone to abide in a heathen, idolatrous country. But she could not escape the LORD's chastening Hand that followed her, even more sorely, in the heathen country. God, by the Myrrh-Nature of His Holy Name, chastened Naomi by taking her husband and two sons in death. In Bethlehem, He took only her bread. In Moab, He took all her "bread earners." So she had neither bread nor anyone to earn bread for her. Left on her own, Naomi returned to Bethlehem with Ruth, one of her daughters-in-law. When she reached Bethlehem, she confessed that it was the pure humility myrrh or *yod* of the LORD's Name that had chastened her and liberated her from the bondage of living in a foreign, heathen country.

And she said unto them, Call me not Naomi, call me Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me (Ruth 1:20).

In other words, it took the humility *yod* of the LORD's Holy Name to liberate Naomi and Ruth and bring them to the Promised Land. The pure myrrh or spontaneity of outflow of Truth from Naomi's mouth was plain to see. She had taken on the pure myrrh or *yod* of the LORD's Name; therefore, she asked to be called *Mara* or *Myrrh*. The LORD's humility Name led Naomi to instruct Ruth so that she could marry a near kinsman and bear a son, Obed, whose name became famous forever, for the genealogical tables of our LORD Jesus Christ record his name as a forebear (Matthew 1:5; Luke 3:32).

Naomi not only was liberated from a heathen country, but she also was set free from being barren of Seed in her old age. She was freed from the unfruitfulness that would have kept her from having grandchildren. The humility *yod* of the Father's Name led Naomi to being included in the genealogy of His Son.

II. Cinnamon—Second Hay—Prudent Choice

The stature or blueprint of the Mosaic Tabernacle, a picture of Jesus, the Only Begotten Son, also introduces the second *hay* of His Father's Name, the cinnamon, the prudent choice of His Father's Holy Name. The second *hay* is one of the four letters in the wheel formation of the Father's Holy Name.

The Hebrew word for *cinnamon* is *kinawmone*, meaning to be erect, upright, as in upright rolls. Cinnamon is a well-known aromatic spice, produced from the inner bark of a tree, which is peeled off and cut into strips that curl up in rolls. The word *kinawmone* is akin to the word *kawnam*, meaning to make firm, to make a vow of abstinence. It also means to stand, to be erect, to grow straight.

Because cinnamon is the bark from a tree, it is called *sweet cinnamon*, the kind that has fragrance and a pleasant taste. The foliage of the cinnamon tree in the natural realm is food for goats. Regardless of its age, a cinnamon tree will bear fruit if it is fertilized with dung and hoed around.

Abraham was like a cinnamon tree. After Abraham's reproductive blood had dried up and his desire had gone, God hoed around his "tree," as it were, through circumcision, and He fertilized the "tree" with His miraculous humility Power so that a Seed, called Isaac, was conceived and born.

The LORD God gave man the power of choice so that he could take on the sweet, fragrant cinnamon of His Holy Name; therefore, man could choose to abstain from anything contrary to the nature of God's Holy Name. The sweet, fragrant cinnamon, the second *hay* of the LORD's Holy Name, empowers the human will to demonstrate its election and preference for all things that are congruous to the LORD's Holy Name. The sweet, fragrant cinnamon of the LORD's Holy Name gives determination and discrimination to the human will so that it can choose the best and the highest part of God's Purposive Will. The sweet, fragrant cinnamon always chooses what the Wisdom or *yod* (pictured by myrrh) of the LORD's Name has ordained and established. The sweet, fragrant cinnamon causes the human will to choose to vow to abstain from all thoughts, feelings, deeds, and from any form of earthly power that would stretch one outside the fence of the LORD's Holy Name. The sweet cinnamon of the second *hay* or Prudence of the LORD's Holy Name causes one to resign himself to all restraints placed on him by the LORD's Holy Name.

The Bride in the Song of Solomon possessed, in the garden of her heart and will, the sweet, fragrant fruit of cinnamon.

Spikenard and saffron; calamus and **cinnamon**, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices: (Song of Solomon 4:14).

Through her growth in Him as a King of Humility, as a Shepherd in the fields, as a Roe secluded on Mount Bether, as a Husbandman, and as a Spouse, the Bride had proven both her vow and her abstention from all persons but her Bridegroom. What a high and holy privilege to take on the restraint and abstinence of the second *hay* of the LORD's Holy Name, His sweet, fragrant cinnamon!

III. Calamus—First Hay—Understanding

The *third* letter of the LORD's Holy Name is the *first hay*, as one climbs upward in the four cardinal points of the Cross.

The Hebrew word for *calamus* is *kawneh*, meaning a reed, as erect, a rod, shaft, tube, stem, balance, branch, spearman, stalk. *Kawneh* is from the Hebrew root word *kawnam*, meaning to procure by purchase, recover, redeem, surety, verily.

The First *hay* of the LORD's four-letter Name *LORD* is the Understanding of His Name, pictured by the calamus. When man sinned in the Garden of Eden, he lost the Understanding of the LORD's Name or Nature. The eyes of man's *lover heart** became darkened and closed. Most of man's pain in life happens because he does not understand that the LORD's Nature or Name is Righteous, Good, Holy, Merciful, Gracious, and Just, and that He gives the best to His Creation.

In the beginning, Adam-female, took on the Serpent's false report about the LORD's Holy Name or Nature. His lie made her think or falsely understand that the LORD had withheld the best from her by commanding her to eat of the Tree of Life and by restraining her from eating of the Tree of Knowledge or Death. So she ignored the Tree of Life and ate of the forbidden Tree of Death. Consequently, her spiritual eyes of understanding were darkened and closed. Then, she gave to her husband, Adam-male, and he also ate of the forbidden Tree. As a result of their disobedience, they passed the Darkness and Death of their understanding on to all mankind.

Jesus Christ came in His Father's Name, LORD, to pay the price and redeem man's understanding of His Name.

When Jesus died on the Cross, all His Apostles forsook Him and fled because their understanding was dark and closed. This explains why Peter and Cleopas were sad as they walked on the road to Emmaus. They had no comprehension of the LORD's Best Plan of Salvation through the Cross. But Jesus appeared to them and taught them about the Cross and opened their Eyes of Understanding.

And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. **And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?** (Luke 24:30-32).

As Christ marvelously taught Peter and Cleopas, their understanding was opened to the necessity of Christ's crucifixion. Therefore, their hearts burned with the Divine Light and heat of Christ's Truth.

Later, they ran back to Jerusalem to the LORD's Disciples, and Jesus appeared to them all and opened their understanding of the Scriptures.

Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, (Luke 24:45).

Christ gave His followers Understanding, perception, and comprehension of the necessity of His pain and sacrifice on the Cross. Thus, they could use the Power of the LORD's first *hay* in Christ Jesus to form sound judgment concerning the Cross. From then on, they mutually understood and therefore agreed with the Father's Purposive Will and Master Plan concerning His Salvation of mankind.

The Apostle Paul fervently prayed that the Ephesian Christians' Eyes of Understanding might be opened.

That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, (Ephesians 1:17,18).

When we comprehend and fully understand the hope of the LORD's high calling for us, His first *hay* or Understanding fixes and firmly anchors our *lover* heart to the LORD's Holy Name. The *yod* of Wisdom and the *hay* of Understanding are the sources of all happiness.

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding (Proverbs 3:13).

The Wisdom and the Understanding of the LORD's Holy Name bring true happiness with its attendant spiritual joy and tranquility of heart.

The Bride in the Song of Solomon had the precious first *hay* or Understanding formed in the garden of her heart.

The study of Israel's history shows God justly bringing the nation into captivity because they had forgotten to lift up His Name in His Sanctuary. They brought Him no calamus or Understanding of His Name or Nature.

But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel. Thou hast not brought me the small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.

Thou hast bought me no sweet cane [calamus] with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities (Isaiah 43:22-24).

Israel had neglected to honour the LORD with His sacrifices, which were a picture of the LORD Jesus Christ. She begrudged the expense of the sweet cane or *calamus* that represented the holy letter of the first *hay* or the Understanding of His Name. Israel was so full of resentment and malice toward the LORD that they gave Him the worst of their sacrifices and the animals that were ill. They were penurious in their devotion. Because they rejected the LORD, He rejected them.

However, when we have embraced the first *hay* of Understanding of the LORD's Holy Name and have the fragrance of its Anointing Oil upon our hearts and wills, we willingly and voluntarily give our best to the LORD.

God's Brazen Altar, along with all the other furniture, vessels, and the Priests, were anointed with this sweet calamus or cane of Understanding. God serves us in Christ Jesus with the Wisdom, Understanding, Knowledge, and Prudence of His Holy Name; therefore, He expects us to serve Him gladly with His same Name.

IV. Cassia—Vaw—Knowledge

The fourth ingredient in the Holy Anointing Oil was cassia, which pictured the Knowledge of the fourth letter in the LORD's *Tetragrammaton* Name.

The Hebrew word for *cassia* is *kiddaw*, meaning cassia bark as in shrivelled rolls, from *kawdad*, meaning to shrivel up, contract, bend the body, bend down the head, stoop.

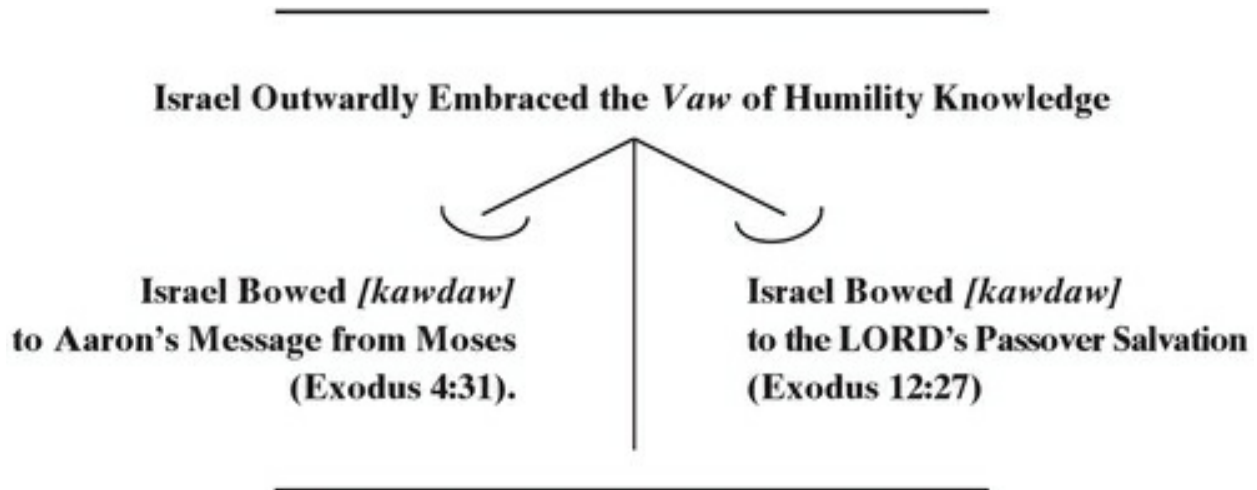
The cassia bark represented the humility Knowledge of the LORD's Holy Name, both in the high place and the low place. When the LORD's *vaw* Knowledge of His Humility is present, it causes man to bow, inwardly and outwardly, in worship to Him. However, we can bow outwardly with our bodies without bowing inwardly in our wills to the LORD's Holy Name. For example, Joseph's brethren bowed to him in Egypt, not knowing who he was. Previously, they had rejected him.

And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which was in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the earth. And he asked them of *their* welfare, and said, *Is your father well, the old man of whom ye spake? Is he yet alive?* And they answered, Thy servant our father *is* in good health, he *is* yet alive. And they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance. And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, *Is this your younger brother, of whom ye spake unto me?* And he said, God be gracious unto thee, my son. And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother: and he sought *where* to weep; and he entered into *his* chamber, and wept there (Genesis 43:26-30).

Joseph's brethren bowed (*kawdad*) to him. *Kawdad* bowing means bowing from the waist until the forehead touches the ground. This is a bending which is hard to accomplish. *Kawdad* bowing always is used to express thanks to someone. When in kindness someone has lifted us up, bringing us into a vertical, upright position, we should bow our heads, thus acknowledging that our upright position is due to someone else's beneficent kindness, mercy, and grace.

How much more does the LORD God, Who has lifted us up from our fallen prostrate position in sin, to an upright, vertical position of Salvation and Grace in Christ Jesus, deserve to see our heads bend in *kawdad* thanksgiving, without and within, in our wills.

Israel, in general, also bowed before the presence of the humility Knowledge of the *vaw* of the LORD's Holy Name, without embracing it in their wills.



And the people believed: and **when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel**, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped (Exodus 4:31).

At first, Israel, in general, bowed to Aaron's message of deliverance. They believed (*emoonaw*), which means to have a firm fixed starting point of Truth that is sure and reliable beyond all doubt! *Emoonaw* belief is the beginning of all Truth that guides and educates us in Christ's Stature. The Israelites believed and bowed their heads toward the ground, expressing the submission of their heads, their thoughts, their feelings, and their whole existence to God's Governance and Guidance. However, their murmuring and complaining later confirmed that this bowing (*kawdaw*) to the humility Knowledge of the LORD's Name did not happen in their wills.

Later, Israel experienced another *kawdaw* bowing to the humility Knowledge of the *vaw* of the LORD's Holy

Name.

That ye shall say, **It is the sacrifice of the LORD'S passover**, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, **when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped** (Exodus 12:27).

The Passover Blood, the meal of bread and meat, and the LORD's Name over the door were the substances of the Salvation experience that led Israel out of Death into Life and freedom. Then, Israel bowed (*kawdaw*) their heads, outwardly, in thanksgiving for God's redeeming Salvation. Later, however, they again murmured and complained against the Governance and Guidance of the LORD's humility Knowledge of His Holy Name. Thus, they proved that they did not have the humility Knowledge of the *vaw* in their wills.

A true birth of true *belief* (*emoonaw*) always returns us to the firm, fixed starting place that owns that the LORD God is the Head and that His Nature is Just, Righteous, Kind, Merciful, and Gracious!

Moses also personally experienced bowing (*kawdaw*) his head to the ground.

And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped (Exodus 34:8).

After Moses had received an experience with the Unbegotten Name of the Father, the LORD, he received the twelve governmental Names of the Begotten Son of God, and he bowed (*kawdad*) his head in profound thanksgiving. Yet, at Kadesh Barnea, Moses smote the Rock twice with his Rod on which the LORD's Name had budded, bloomed, and borne fruit. Thus, he proved that his will never had been filled with the cassia of the humility Knowledge of the *vaw* of the LORD's Name. He never had allowed his head and will to shrivel into a submissive roll of surrender to the LORD's Master Plan and Purposive Will.

When the LORD had the Priests make the Holy Anointing Oil, He chose the myrrh, the cinnamon, the calamus, and the cassia to represent the *yod*, the second *hay*, the first *hay*, and the *vaw* of His Holy Tetragrammaton Name. The Brazen Altar was anointed with this Holy Oil, inside and outside, which pictured the LORD Jesus Christ Who was clothed with His Father's Name, inside and outside.

When all the sacrifices for sin were offered on the Brazen Altar, the ten layers of blood at the bottom of the Altar, along with the sacrificial ashes, were joined to the Holy Anointing Oil inside the Altar. This teaches that, as we take on Christ's Blood in forgiveness of sins and as we become sacrificial ashes, as it were, for Him, we will be joined to the Father's fragrant Holy Name.

* The subject of man's *lover heart* and his sixteen minds is covered in the following Sermon Study by B.R. Hicks – [*The Sixteen Minds of Man*](#); (Jeffersonville, IN: Christ Gospel Churches Int'l., Inc., 1996).

Chapter Two

Bullock Blood—Sin Offering For The Consecration Of Aaron And His Sons

The first degree of Christ's tenfold Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the bullock blood, which fits together with the First Commandment: "I am the LORD thy God."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR

1. Bullock Blood—First Commandment: "I am the LORD thy God." Sin Offering for Consecration of Aaron and His Sons (Exodus 29:4-14)

The Hebrew word for *bullock* is *par*, meaning a young bullock, a breaking forth in wild strength, to break up, to violate, to frustrate, to break asunder, to cast off, to cause to cease, to be clean, to defeat, to disappoint, to dissolve, to divide, to bring to naught, to make void!

The bullock was a mighty sin offering. Its blood was the first blood for sin that was poured on the foundation of the Brazen Altar. Christ's Bullock Blood is the first Blood for sin that we must have; it is our foundation. We have to choose His Bullock Blood if we want to be freed from all forms of sin that oppose the first Commandment: "I am the LORD thy God."

The Hebrew word for "*I am*" is *awnokee*, which proclaims that the LORD, the Speaker, is intimately near to the one to whom He is speaking; in other words, the LORD is comprehending, bearing, keeping him, and giving him his very breath and existence. The very meaning of this Commandment is an infinite, divine mirror that reveals our sinful shortcomings in our trust in His Omnipresence and His supreme Governance and Guidance of our lives. For example, our one great plague is our distrust of the LORD God, our Father, and His omnipresent, intimate nearness to us. In our distrust, we feel the following ways:

- We feel that the LORD God is far away.
- We feel that the LORD God has not heard our prayers.
- We feel that the LORD God will not answer our prayers.
- We feel that the LORD God is not fair in the things He allows to come our way.
- We feel that the LORD God will let us down.
- We feel that the LORD God has forgotten us.
- We feel that the LORD God has forsaken us.

Let us examine a few similar statements of distrust that King David and other Psalmists and Prophets uttered when the LORD God was taking them through valleys of humiliation.

How long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? **for ever?** **how long** wilt thou hide thy face from me? (Psalm 13:1).

Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord? arise, cast us not off for ever (Psalm 44:23).

Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me (Psalm 51:11).

Then I said, **I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name...** (Jeremiah 20:9).

Also **when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer** (Lamentations 3:8).

Are we ready to say. "I want the First Commandment—"I am the LORD thy God"—written in my heart and in my mind"? Beloved, we can have this *awnokee*—"I am the LORD thy God"—intimately near us, written in our hearts and minds because, at the foot of Christ's Stature, the Blood, the Ink, is there waiting for us to claim it by

faith so that Jesus Christ can write it in our hearts and write it in our minds. We cannot despise the inkwell of Christ's Blood and expect the LORD to write His First Commandment in our hearts and minds. "I am the LORD thy God" has to be written with the Ink of Christ's Bullock Blood. That is powerful!

Thus, the bullock blood for sinful ignorance fits together with the First Commandment, "I am the LORD thy God."

The first blood that was shed in the Mosaic Tabernacle was the bullock blood, the ox blood, because it was for the Priests who had to be cleansed before they could serve the people. Before the Priests could serve in the Tabernacle, by faith they had to take on ox blood or bullock blood for their sin.

And thou shalt cause a bullock to be brought before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron [the High Priest, although he was a type and shadow of Jesus Christ, was still a mortal man, and he needed a sin offering] **and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the bullock** (Exodus 29:10).

By laying their hands on the bullock's head, the Priests said, "In the Name of the LORD, we put our sins upon this animal. He is our sacrifice for right now, to cover (not take away, but cover) our sins so that we can be clean and free to serve God in His Sanctuary, plowing, as it were, in the fields of His *Torah-Truth*."

And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. **And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put it upon the horns of the altar with thy finger, and pour all the blood beside the bottom of the altar** (Exodus 29:11,12).

The bullock blood was placed, first, on the horns of the Brazen Altar. The horns speak of ascension, reaching up to the heights of one's moral high calling. From the beginning, God provided a Gift of Sin Offering Blood upon the horns of the Altar, and it keeps saying, "You can make it to God's moral high calling in Christ Jesus, the fullness of the measure of Christ's Stature."

Using the finger speaks of personally applying the blood, by faith, on the horns, the heights of the Altar. The horns, with their blood, always bore witness that a way had been made to the heights of God's moral high calling in Christ Jesus. The horns were a witness before the LORD that a sincere, penitent sinner had repented of his sins and had been forgiven and that his sins had been covered. Contrariwise, if a person were insincere and impenitent, yet insolently used the bullock blood on the horns of the Altar, the blood from the horns of the Altar would witness against that person.

The Prophet Jeremiah confirmed this Truth.

The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron, and with the point of a diamond: it is graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars; (Jeremiah 17:1).

Judah's sin was indelibly engraved upon his hardened heart. Therefore, the animal blood upon the horns of the Altar, under the shadow and type, bore witness before the LORD of Judah's impenitent sins. The tribe of Judah had shed animal blood in vain by refusing to join their repentance to the blood. Those who despised Moses' Law of Blood died without Mercy. So, then, how much sorer is the punishment for those who take Christ's Blood without joining it to their repentance?

Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? (Hebrews 10:29).

If a person treads underfoot a common person, he is guilty of being intolerably insolent. To treat a great person with vile disrespect is more cruelly intolerable. What can be sorer punishment than to die without Christ's Mercy? The sorest of all punishment is to die because Christ's abused and despised Mercy and Grace, found in His precious Blood, has called forth God's Divine Vengeance, which is a just retribution for such sinners.

What Aaron, the High Priest, did in the natural realm was a picture of what our spiritual High Priest, Jesus Christ, already has done for us on the Altar in Heaven and on its horns. Jesus Christ's Blood already is in Heaven on the Heavenly Altar's ascending high horns, beckoning to us and saying, "Come higher in your moral high calling! Come higher in your material high calling. I am up here. I am drawing you near. I am making a way for you."

Moses, the officiating Priest who put the blood on the horns of the Altar for Aaron and his sons, poured all the rest of the sin offering blood beside and around the bottom of the Brazen Altar so that it would ooze and flow down under the Brazen Altar, forming the first foundation of blood for those who were inside, as it were. The whole

ground under the Brazen Altar was penetrated by the bullock blood for a sin offering.

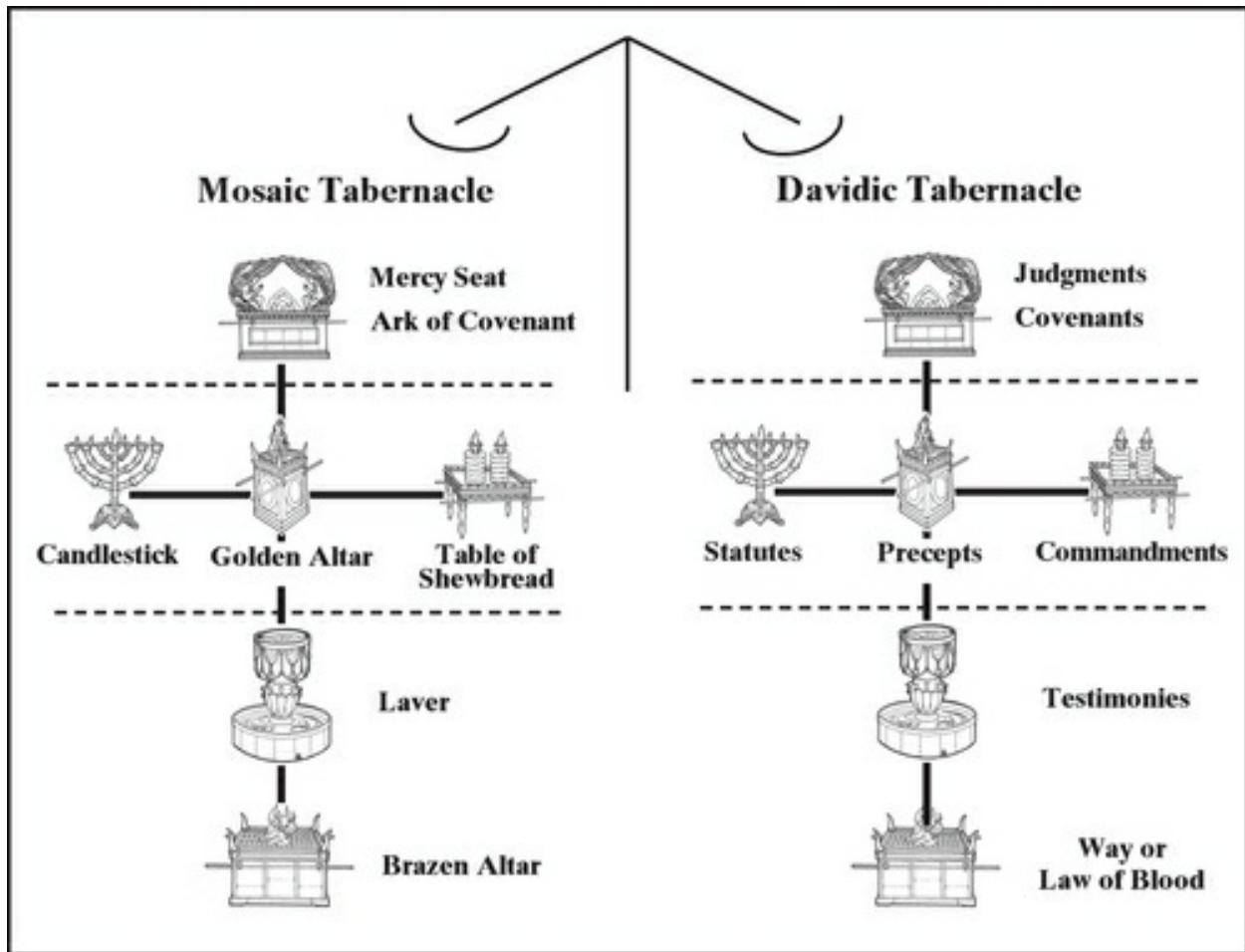
This Bullock Blood is the beginning for all believers who have come through Blood, Fire, and Water (as the children of Israel did when they came out of Egypt and walked through the Red Sea) and who wish to consecrate themselves, totally, to the LORD, His *Torah*-Truth, and His service in His Sanctuary. This is how we begin our journey upward in the Tabernacle of Christ's Spiritual Stature, and this is where we return at the end of our journey.

The Hebrew root word for *bottom* is *yawsad*, meaning the foundation. So the bottom of the Altar was filled with blood. Oh, hallelujah! Remember that old hymn we used to sing: "On Christ the solid Rock I stand. All other ground is sinking sand"? Christ Jesus and His precious Blood is our Living, Eternal Foundation! We do not need to forget the beginning and the end of Christ's Blood at the Feet of His Stature and at the Head of His Stature.

The word for bottom also conveys the idea of a foundation. The Hebrew word *yawsad* reveals that the blood was poured out for a foundation for the whole Tabernacle. Moreover, our whole spiritual foundation rests in the Sin Offering Blood that Jesus shed on Calvary's Cross. That foundation of Blood says, "I went to Hell for you, and I went to Death for you." Consequently, whatever small suffering we have to go through for the privilege of possessing our Eternal Foundation is *nothing* as we journey upward, onward, and forward to the New City. We need to stop moaning, whimpering, and whining about the small sufferings we go through while we are walking on the great sacrificial Death of the Crucified Christ and the resurrected Life of the Son of God! If we are going on for God, we must get rid of all duality and be willing not to betray Jesus Christ.

The infinity of the word *yawsad* is awesome. Likewise, Jesus Christ's Sin Offering Blood in the highest place, on the horns of the Altar, provides an eternal moral high calling in the heights for all Creation. The LORD Jesus Christ has paid the price for sin in the lowest place, all the way up to the highest. Consequently, we have no excuse not to go on for God. The price already has been paid!

The ten layers or degrees of blood that were poured at the bottom of the Brazen Altar form a tenfold foundation of blood for the Altar. This is the Law for the Foundation of the Blood. Remember, the Stature of Truth in the Mosaic Tabernacle fits together with the Stature of Truth that was revealed to David in Psalm 119.



So the Way or the Law of Blood is the beginning experience at the Brazen Altar. This is the LORD's Law of Eternal Life in Christ Jesus. God has ten legal degrees of Christ's Blood that He has given to us by gift! Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable Gift, Christ Jesus, and His precious Blood!

God had these ten degrees or layers of Blood hidden on and under the Altar all the time. However, we cannot find the Blood that was poured out so that it ran down and hid *under the Altar* until we are willing, by faith, to become one with Christ *on the Altar* as a living sacrifice, and until we are willing to become ashes, as it were, falling down inside the Altar so that we can know the foundation of Christ's Blood *inside* the Altar. Thus, after we have grown up in Christ's Stature and after we have descended in His Stature, we will be sufficiently joined to His humble, submissive surrender to join Him truly on the Brazen Altar, as it were, to be a whole burnt offering, falling as ashes inside the Altar. Thus, we will be shut in with only God and His Lamb and His Blood and His *Tetragrammaton*, His Holy Name LORD.

The only way to experience Christ's Blood on and under the Altar is to enter inside the Altar through the Sacrifice and Fire on top of the Altar. Then, from the inside of the Altar, in the "no form" of ashes, we become one, empirically, with the ten degrees of foundational Blood that poured out of Jesus Christ's Feet for us.

We have a New Man, Christ, inside us, but He never has been crucified. He does not have to be. He is perfect, and the Bible says that He cannot sin.

Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God (I John 3:9).

The Apostle John certainly was not talking about our old man, Adam the First. However, our New Man, the Christ inside us, never will be opened with wounds until we go *under* the Altar. Then, as we begin soaking up Christ's Bullock Blood that is under God's Altar, this Blood-Life will flow through our New Man, the Christ. Blessed be the Name of the LORD Jesus Christ!

These Truths relate to the 144,000 on Mount Zion who follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth.

And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their fore-heads. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins... **These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.** These were redeemed from among men, *being* the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb (Revelation 14:1,4).

Following the Lamb whithersoever He goes includes doing the following things:

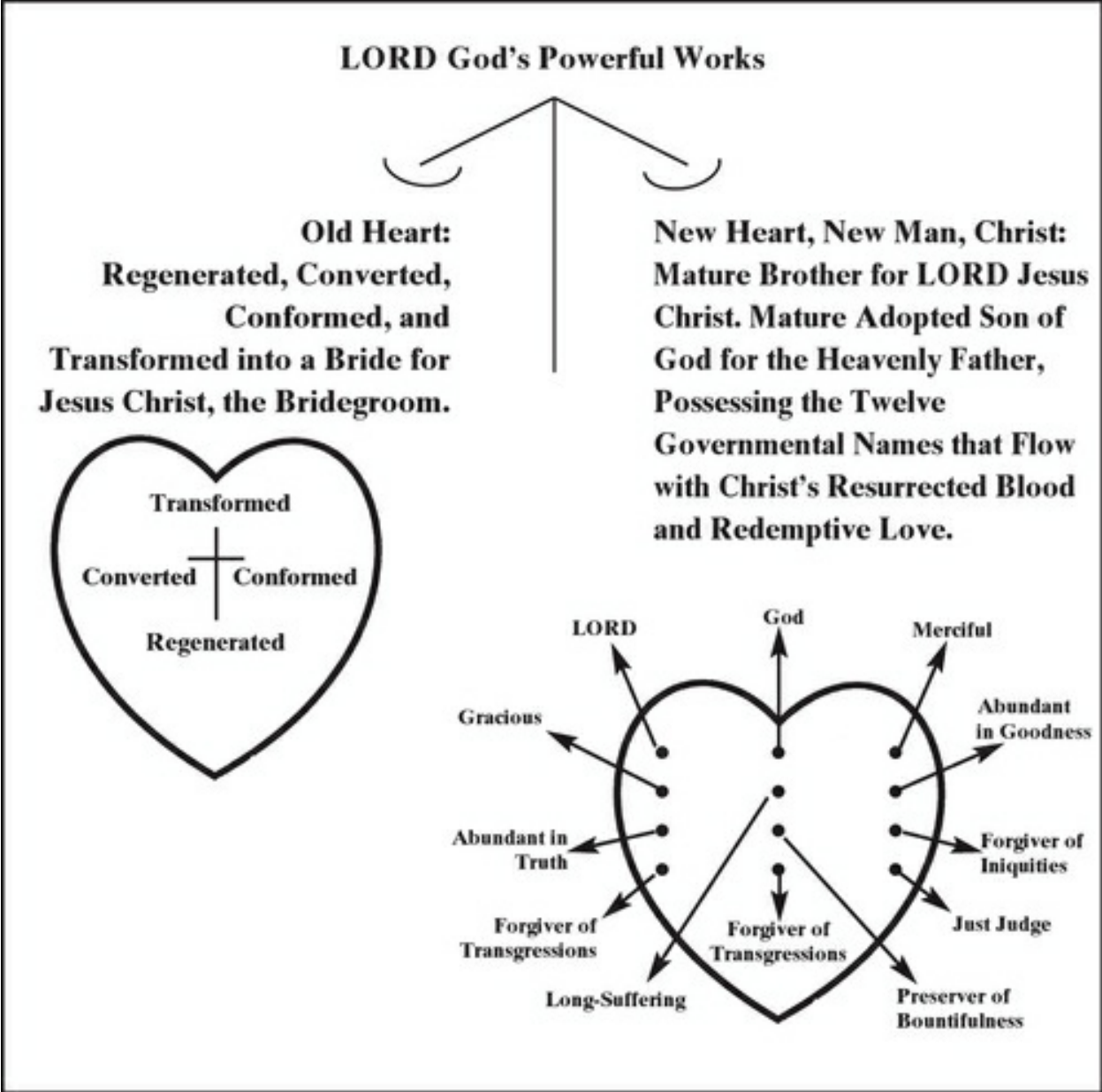
- going to the bottom of the Brazen Altar and taking on each of the ten classes of Christ's Sin Offering Blood;
- taking on Christ's Blood that was put on the Vail and on the horns of the Golden Altar in the Holy Place;
- going inside the Brazen Altar and becoming ashes and becoming one with the Anointing Oil of the LORD's Holy Name.

God's Holy Lamb, the Lord Jesus Christ, was sacrificed on God's great eternal Altar of the Cross and was reduced to ashes, as it were, that fell down inside the Altar. The 144,000 will follow Christ, the Lamb, to become one with Him in His Blood, His Ashes, and the Father's Name (the LORD's Anointing Oil at the bottom of the Altar). The proof that the 144,000 followed the Lamb inside the Altar is that they will have the Father's Name written or engraved in their foreheads.

By faith, we also can take on Christ's precious Blood that is on and *under* the Altar and *inside* the Altar, by sharing and experiencing His wounds. The open wounds from the Slain Lamb, God's only Begotten Son, also will begin appearing in the Christ, the New Man inside us. These open wounds are not the literal wounds that were created in Christ's physical body, but are the uncovered, unwrapped, unsealed openings of His eternal rivers of Redemptive Love in the form of His resurrected Blood that flows out through His twelve governmental Names to all Creation. Therefore, the New Man inside of us can become one with the LORD Jesus Christ, Who is God's Slain Lamb and our Big Brother at God's Right Hand. And by following the Lamb inside the Altar, we, too, by His Mercy and Grace, can take on the eternal openings of His Redemptive Love through Christ's resurrected Blood and governmental Names, which are as follows:

- LORD
- God
- Merciful
- Gracious
- Long-suffering
- Abundant in Goodness
- Abundant in Truth
- Preserver of Bountifulness
- Forgiver of Iniquity
- Forgiver of Transgressions
- Forgiver of Sin
- Just Judge

The 144,000 in the Book of Revelation are the Manifested Sons of God, by spiritual growth, who take on the Father's Name in their foreheads. Inside the Altar, shut in with the LORD God and the Lamb in the secret place, the LORD God takes a surrendered believer's old heart (when the believer desires to grow up in Christ Jesus' Stature) and makes it a Bride by regenerating it, converting it, conforming it, and transforming it into Jesus Christ's Image and Likeness. The LORD God takes the New Heart or the New Man in the heart of a surrendered believer who desires to complete his growth of a hundred and twentyfold fruitfulness and makes a mature Son out of it by making his New Man a mature "Brother" to Jesus Christ and an "Adopted Son" to the Heavenly Father.



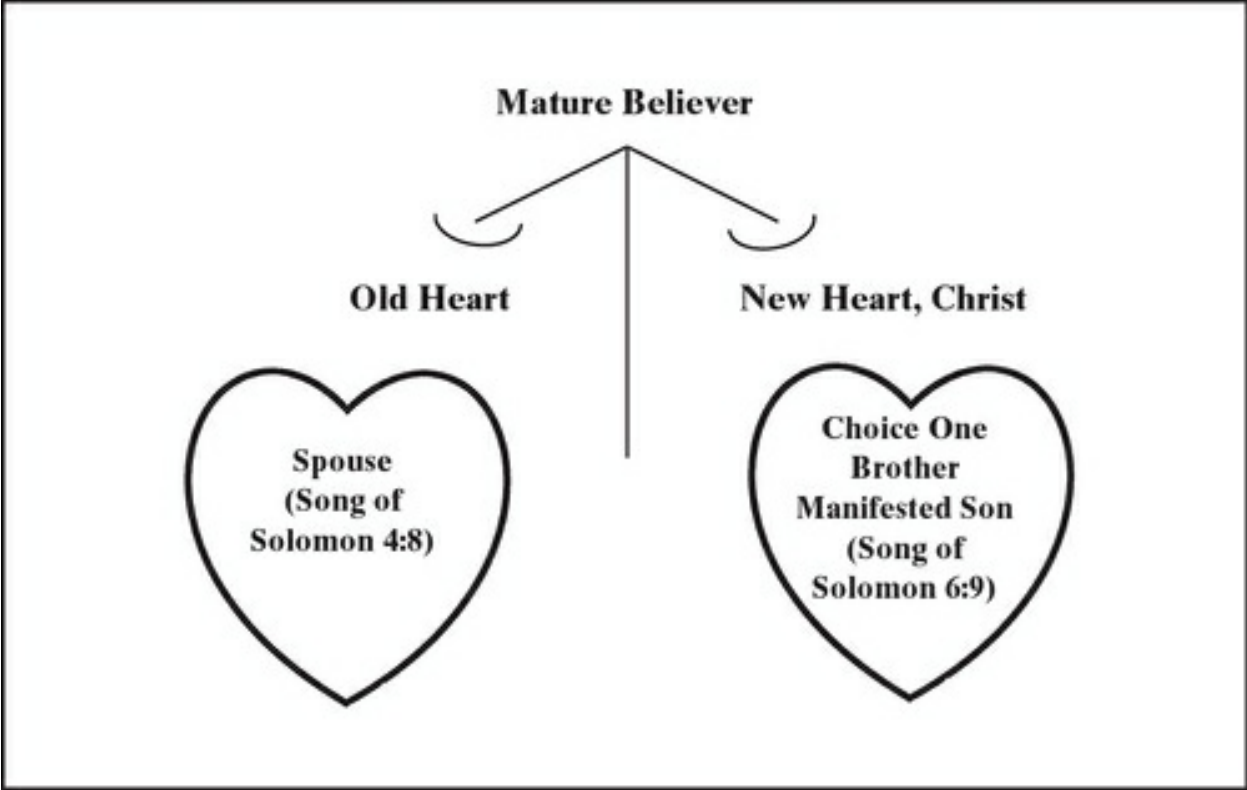
The LORD Jesus Christ has provided a tenfold foundation of Blood on and under the Altar for our cleansing and consecration to the LORD God so that all this spiritual change and growth can take place in our hearts.

The LORD's Bride in the Song of Solomon is called the Spouse and the *Choice One*, the *Brotherly One*.

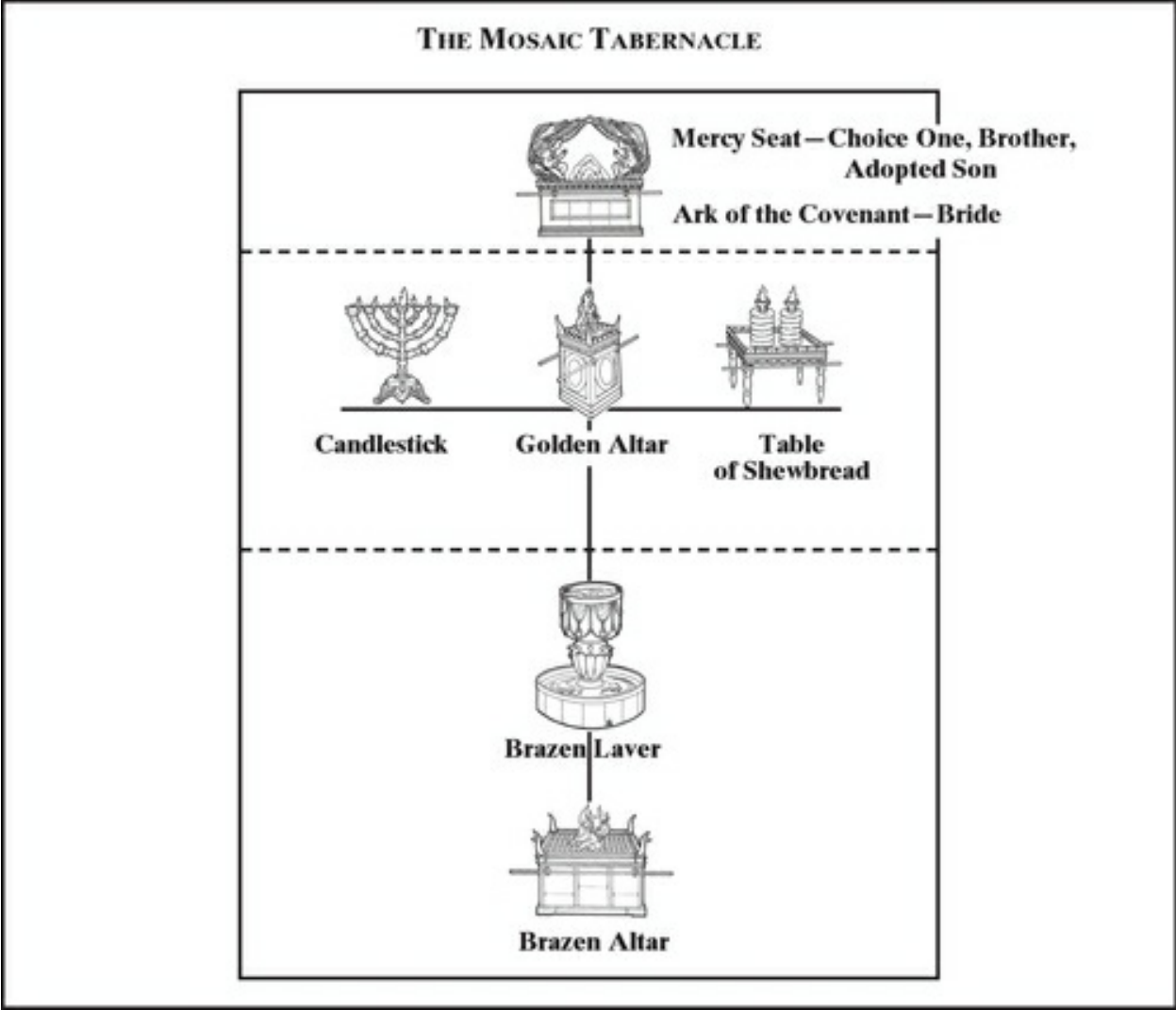
Come with me from Lebanon, **my spouse**, with me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains of the leopards (Song of Solomon 4:8).

There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number. My dove, my undefiled is *but one*; she is the *only one* of her mother, **she is the choice one of her that bare her**. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; yea, the queens and the concubines, and they praised her. Who is she *that* looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, *and terrible as an army with banners*? (Song of Solomon 6:8-10).

The saved person who has laid hold of the LORD Jesus Christ's Full Stature, from His Feet to His Head, which is personified by the Mosaic Tabernacle from the Brazen Altar up to the Mercy Seat, will experience both the growth of the Bride in the old heart and the growth of the Manifested Son and Brother in the New Heart.



Thus, we have a relationship with the LORD Jesus Christ, our Saviour, as a Spouse-Bride and as a Brother, and with our Heavenly Father as a Manifested, Adopted Son.



Choice One is an expression of the Hebrew word that refers to being a *brother*. The Hebrew word for *brother* is *awkh*, meaning together, companionship, united, joined. *Awkhot* is the Hebrew feminine word for *sister*. The Bridegroom also called His Spouse His Sister, meaning together, one with Him. Thus, we can see how important a brother-sister relationship is to the LORD God, the Father, and to His Son, Jesus Christ.

There will be many different kinds of believers at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. For example, there will be queens. The Hebrew word for *queen* is *mawlak*, meaning to reign, to ascend to the throne, to be inducted into royalty. However, these queens did not become a *Choice One* while on Earth. There also will be concubines at the Marriage Supper. The Hebrew word for *concubine* is *peleh-glesh*, meaning a paramour. However, these concubines did not become a *Choice One* on Earth either. Concubines were second-rate wives, according to Biblical history. And there will be virgins, the bridesmaids at the Lamb's Wedding. The Hebrew word for *virgin* is *almaw*, meaning a lass, as veiled or private, unknown by a man. These virgins will be without number at the Wedding Supper. The daughters of Jerusalem will also be there. These people, then, make up the four levels of people present at the Wedding Supper, but they still are not the *Choice One*. The Bridegroom does not unveil this name, the *Choice One*, until the Wedding Supper. The *Choice One* will be a *Bride* in the old heart and a *Brother* in the New Heart, first to the LORD, and then to the Brothers in others' New Hearts.

Remember the Parable of the prodigal son who came to himself in the pigpen? He arose and grew to the heights of Christ's Stature; therefore, he entered into the Father's realm as an adopted son by growth. So the Father made a celebration for the occasion. But the elder brother, who had his position by gift, became jealous and angry when his little brother, the prodigal son, was unveiled as a part of the 144,000, with a hundred and twentyfold fruitfulness. He

said, in so many words, “Look, I have been here by gift all the time. Therefore, I deserve to be first. I am the true brother, not that character from the pigpen. He does not deserve to be placed ahead of me. Father, You are *unjust* in Your judgment.”

The elder brother’s attitude proved that he did not have the twelve governmental Names with their openings of Redemptive Love. He had no mercy, graciousness, long-suffering, or forgiveness toward his brother. On the contrary, he refused to acknowledge that the prodigal son was a brother, even by gift. The elder brother’s spiritual pride prevented him from being one with his brother, who was his brother by gift. Moreover, he also completely rejected his brother who, by growth, had become a Choice One. The elder brother’s total rejection of his younger brother prevented him from being a part of the hundred and twentyfold fruitfulness that the younger brother had attained. His jealousy and angry pride kept him out of the 144,000, and he made his choice in spite of the Father’s merciful, gracious pleading and reasoning with him to accept his brother, which would have allowed him to go in to the Wedding Supper. How unspeakably shameful the sin of pride is!

Beloved, I am not going to allow anything or anyone to keep me from being a part of Christ’s Bride or from being His Choice One, a Brother to Him. This is my testimony in this present, evil world!

Although the Father came out from the Wedding Supper in order to try to reason with His elder son, by gift, saying, “Please accept your ‘Choice Brother,’ who is here at the Wedding Supper and come in with us. Then, I will put the *awkh* of ‘Choice One’ on top of your stature too.” The *awkhoth* Mercy of Jesus Christ, our Big Brother, does not cause us to treat one another as though the other person is a devil. Christ Jesus, with His openings of Redemptive Love, causes us to treat one another as a spiritual brother or sister.

The biggest sin in our spiritual family is this class of ignorance that does not allow us to know how to treat each other as a spiritual brother or sister. If we personally do something amiss or remiss, we pray, “Oh, LORD God, have mercy on me.” We want all the LORD’s Divine Mercy that He will give us. But if someone else does something wrong, in a sidestep or a misstep, and he or she is in great need of God’s Mercy, we act as though that person is a devil and unworthy of God’s Mercy and should be damned to Hell. Beloved, if we demand that people pay us the mercy we esteem they owe to us, our attitude will be merciless and judgmental toward them if they do not comply with our expectations. If we are going to be a Choice One with Christ and His tenfold foundational Blood inside the Altar, this sin of mercilessness against the Brotherhood must be put away so that we can stand clothed with Christ’s Mercy Blood that will clothe us with total Unity with Christ Jesus and with His choice Brotherhood.

We must lay hold of the LORD’s Holy Name that makes us a Choice One, secretly, inside the Altar. Thus, we will be one with the Bridegroom, one with the Father, and one with the Brotherhood. If we are one, we must demonstrate this oneness inside the Altar by allowing the twelve openings or wounds of Christ to flow forth with His spiritual Redemptive Love and Forgiveness to our Brothers. In this manner, we can become a Chosen One for the 144,000 on Mount Zion. Consequently, at the Wedding Supper of the Lamb, the LORD God and His Son will say, “I have chosen you to be one with the 144,000 Manifested Sons.

Remember, there are queens, concubines, and virgins without number. But the Bride and the Choice One is the only one of her Mother. There are thirtyfold, sixtyfold, a hundredfold, and a hundred and twentyfold fruit in God’s Only Begotten Son’s Stature. But the LORD will say, “Let Me show you My Choice One! She is the only one of her Mother. She is the one who grew up as a Bride and as a Brother in the Stature of Jesus Christ; hence, she will be in perfect Unity with Christ Jesus, the Bridegroom and the Big Brother, and with His Heavenly Father and with the spiritual Brotherhood who follow the Lamb whithersoever He goes. The 144,000 will be eternally glued or joined together with the LORD, the Lamb, and with each other. They will follow the Lamb wherever He goes. The 144,000 are the only ones who will go inside the Son of God’s Throne (Revelation 3:21) because they will have overcome the unmercifulness of the Laodicean Church Age. Therefore, they will become one with God and the Lamb. They will be able to know, in the Perfect Age, the Father’s Unbegotten Realm above all Creation. All glory be to the LORD God!

However, beloved, in order to grow to this place in which we can possess divine Unity with the Father, the Son, and our brethren, we first must descend to the bottom, into the secret, hollow places of the Brazen Altar and the Brazen Laver, before we ascend to the Golden Altar, the Ark of the Covenant, and the Mercy Seat.

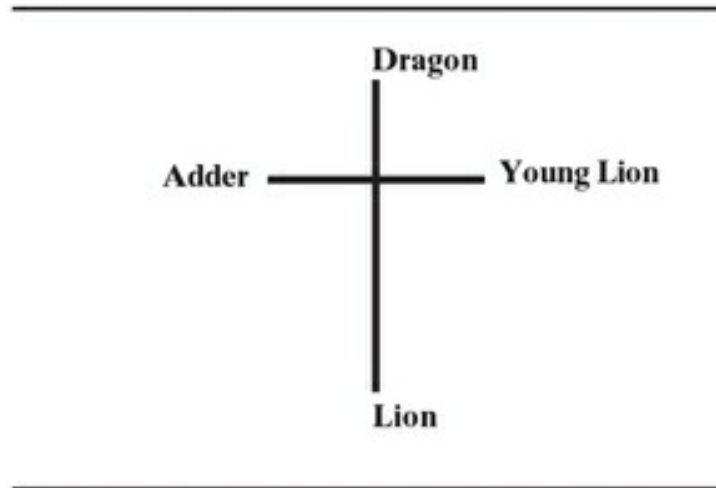
We must learn to abide at the Mercy Seat, in the hollow place between the Cherubims, where the LORD’s *kaw-bode* Glory and Name dwell.



The Psalmist confirmed this Truth.

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, *He is* my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, *and* from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth *shall be thy* shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; *nor* for the arrow *that* flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence *that* walketh in darkness; *nor* for the destruction *that* wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; *but* it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the LORD, *which is* my refuge, *even* the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in *their* hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. **Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.** Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: *I will be* with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation (Psalm 91:1-16).

In the place in which the LORD's Glory and Name dwell is the place the LORD God and His Son deliver us from all mercilessness and unmercifulness. Psalm ninety-one is a revelation of overcoming all mercilessness and unmercifulness, which are personified in the Psalm as a lion, an adder, a young lion, and a dragon.



Merciless and unmercifulness are like a fierce, roaring lion (*shakhal*). This *lion* is like a fowler who hunts and kills his prey. This merciless and unmerciful lion is pitiless, cruel, and savage. Mercilessness leaves the soul and spirit in hardness, oppression, disparagement, and depression.

Like lions and leopards, mercilessness tyrannizes the soul and spirit, tearing and rending them in pieces and allowing one's spirit and soul to tear and rend the Brotherhood in pieces. The LORD promises that if we abide in this secret, hollow place between the Cherubims, we can trample underfoot the "lionlike fowler" of mercilessness and unmercifulness.

The second thing we can overcome on the Mercy Seat is the adder of *ofel* darkness* with its noisome pestilence of mercilessness and unmercifulness. The Hebrew word for *adder* is *pehthen*, meaning to twist in contortions, an asp.

The adder spirit of spiritual pride is merciless, both toward God and His creatures. In its diseased perception of reality, spiritual pride pushes God off the throne of our heart and assumes the power to judge and punish with its noisome pestilence and cruel venom of mercilessness.

The deaf adder (Psalm 58:4) stops her ear against all pity and compassion. The deaf adder prevents the conscience from smelling or hearing any pleas of mercy from the poor. Maliciousness, malignance, and spitefulness fill the spirit of mercilessness. But the LORD's Name, the *kaw-bode* Glory, and the atoning Blood on the Mercy Seat empower us to trample the adder of pride underfoot.

The adder spirit of pride lives in the mist of *ofel* darkness where apostates are sent for punishment. Apostates have sinned against the Water of God's Truth and Spirit. Consequently, they will reap the punishment of the *mist* of *ofel* darkness.

The state of apostasy is worse than the state of ignorance, for it condemns the way of righteousness *after* one has known and experienced it. Apostates pretend to find some iniquity in God's way of righteousness and look for some falsehood in His Truth.

The adder spirit of pride is merciless. It wars against the Brotherhood, as it endeavors to lure God's people, who have reached the Mercy Seat by growth, to abandon their state of faith willfully. The adder spirit wars mercilessly against the Brethren, driving them (if possible) to rebel against Divine Authority so that they can make themselves "gods."

Milton once said: "High in the midst, exalted as a god, the apostate in his sun-bright chariot sat."

Remember, if we take our stand on the Mercy Seat, we can tread underfoot the apostate adder of spiritual pride with its cruel venom.

The third thing we have to overcome on the Mercy Seat is the young lion with its terror in the night. When we stand on the Mercy Seat, we are immune to the terrors of the young lion at night. The Hebrew word for *night* is *lahyil*, meaning to twist away from the light, midnight, adversity. When we are full of God's Mercy, we can stand in the night season against the deadly dangers of the young *lions* who desire to devour our love and mercy toward the Brotherhood.

The fourth enemy we meet on the Mercy Seat is the Dragon that wars against the unity of the Brotherhood. The Dragon, with his underhanded scheming and accusations against our Brothers, endeavours to devour our unity. The Dragon likes to send his penetrating arrows of accusations in the day, at noonday, or in the brightest of light, to cut

off and ruin the pleasant unity of the Brotherhood.

The Dragon was fiercely against the Unity and Mercy of the LORD's Holy Name. He will stop at nothing to ravage, destroy, and desolate the precious unity of the Brethren. I have seen Brethren experience such precious unity with each other until the Dragon found some ignorant soul that he could control with impudent speech and insolent behavior to destroy the unity and the mercy between the Brethren. Remember, we cannot be in the 144,000, with a hundred and twentyfold fruitfulness of brotherly love and mercy, under the shadow of the Almighty, unless we are willing to war against and tread underfoot the lionlike fowler, the adder in the *ofel* darkness, the young lion in the night, and the dragon in the noonday.

In learning to be one with the Heavenly Father, Christ, our Big Brother, and the Brethren, we must fight these four formidable enemies who war against the LORD's Love, Mercy, and Unity. It takes the ultimate part of the Bridal Army, which is the 144,000, to war against God's enemies in the highest or uttermost top of the spiritual realm, on the Mercy Seat.

In order to go to the uttermost realm on the Mercy Seat, we first must descend to the lowest realm inside the Brazen Altar to become a sacrificial speck of dust or ashes, as it were, joined to Christ's Sin Offering Blood, the ashes of Christ's Sacrifice, and the Anointing Oil of the LORD's Name. The only way we will be joined with the Father and the Son is to become dust and ashes—to become a part of the ground, as it were, which had the tenfold sin offering blood *under* the Altar. The tenfold sin offering was both *inside* and *outside* the Altar. All of this was a picture, a shadow, a type of what we are to lay hold of, spiritually, in the LORD Jesus Christ's Stature.

After Moses had washed, dressed, and anointed Aaron and his sons for the Priesthood, they had to offer the bullock blood for a sin offering to show that all their glory and beauty was to rest on a foundation of moral purity.

The garments of glory and beauty that clothed Aaron and his sons, pictured the highest moral goal, which is to devote all of one's energies in striving to keep free from breaking the First Commandment by not taking the LORD's Garments of Glory and Beauty and using them to fall in love with oneself.

Jesus Christ's Bullock Blood is the Ink that can write the First Commandment, "I am the LORD thy God," in our *worker heart** so that in the midst of our working for Him we do not forget Who He is and who we are.

When the sacrifice for sin was offered, Aaron and his sons first had to put their hands on the head of the bullock, which signified that the LORD God was their great "I am" in their *worker* hearts and that the bullock blood would, by faith, give them power to be spiritual bullocks for God in His Sanctuary. They were to work together as *one* bullock in His House. Aaron and his sons were to give up living for themselves and, instead, give themselves before God to plow as one bullock before the LORD. They were to consider, at all times, that the height of all earthly life is to strive constantly upward to God's moral high calling, while one's roots are in the bullock sacrificial blood at the bottom or foundation of the Altar.

If we will always remember that the roots of our spiritual existence are in Jesus Christ's sacrificial Blood and that the LORD God is our Heavenly Father, we will remain free from the spiritual pride that would make us take God's Glory and Beauty and fall in love with ourselves, thus destroying all Unity between the Father, the Son, and the Brotherhood.

The word for *sin offering* in Hebrew is *khattawaw*, which does not necessarily mean that a sin has been committed. But it does mean being set free from the desire to sin in one's will so that, by the Power of the Blood, one is freed from sin in the future. Thus, one's entire soul and spirit are brought to a higher dedication to be one with the Unity of the Father, the Son, and the Brethren.

We cannot descend into the middle of the Altar until we give ourselves to the Divine, Devouring Fire upon the Altar that reduces us to sacrificial ashes in the bottom of the Altar. After that, the LORD God becomes the Supreme, Sovereign Ruler over all our dust and ashes. So only in the place within the Altar, in the form of ashes at the bottom, the lowest place of the Altar, can we say *awkh* or Brother to one another. To be a Brother means to be united as one.

The Psalmist declared the divine blessing of unification of Brothers.

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! *It is* like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, *even* Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, *and as the dew* that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, *even* life for evermore (Psalm 133:1-3).

Divine Unity is like the Anointing Oil of the LORD's Name—*yod, hay, vaw, hay*—that was poured upon Aaron's head until it ran down upon his beard and flowed on down to the hem of his garment. Behold how good and how pleasant it is when one arrives inside the Altar where there is nothing but the sacrificial ashes of Christ and His Brothers who are dwelling together in divine Unity with each other and with the Father's *Tetragrammaton* Name.

The place of Christ's Beauty, Splendor, Joyfulness, and Happiness is good. It is the place of pleasantness, agreeableness, tenderness, and graciousness. Blessed divine Unity brings fertility to the soul and spirit that invigorates one's whole being. The place of Unity is the LORD's eternal Dwelling Place, and from His Hub of Unity, His radiating rays of Light, Life, and Love send forth their blessings forevermore.

"I am the LORD thy God" is the First Commandment. The LORD demands His exclusive rights as the Supreme, Sovereign Monarch in His Kingdom.

The LORD God is the Eternal Divine Word from Whom we get our personal existence. In the midst of all working and movement, all the universes' whole existence depends on the LORD God. He told His people, Israel, in so many words, "I am in your midst, giving you personal existence, and I am in your midst as your Sovereign, King, and Ruler." When we acknowledge God as our King, we must assume the responsibility of surrendering to Him as submissive subjects and fulfill our duties to Him as obedient servants.

The LORD God is the only One True God. He is our Creator Who formed us in the beginning. He is our Redeemer Who saves us and Who continues to redeem us, save us, and educate us in His Son's Stature. He desires to lead and guide us into an awareness that every single breath and moment of our existence has its origin in His Almighty Power and Infinity. Consequently, we owe our whole life in faithful service to Him and in undeviating devotion to Him. He is the Governor and Guide over all things in our fate and future.

Christ's Sin Offering Bullock Blood is able to cleanse and consecrate us to all His moral high calling to become a Bride to the Heavenly Bridegroom and a Brother to the LORD and to all Christ's Brothers.

* For more information on Darkness, see: B. R. Hicks, [*The Mystery Of Darkness*](#) (Jeffersonville, Indiana; Christ Gospel Churches Int'l, Inc., 1981).

* The subject of man's *worker* heart is covered in the following Sermon Study by B.R. Hicks – [*The Sixteen Minds of Man*](#); (Jeffersonville, IN: Christ Gospel Churches Int'l, Inc., 1996).

Chapter Three

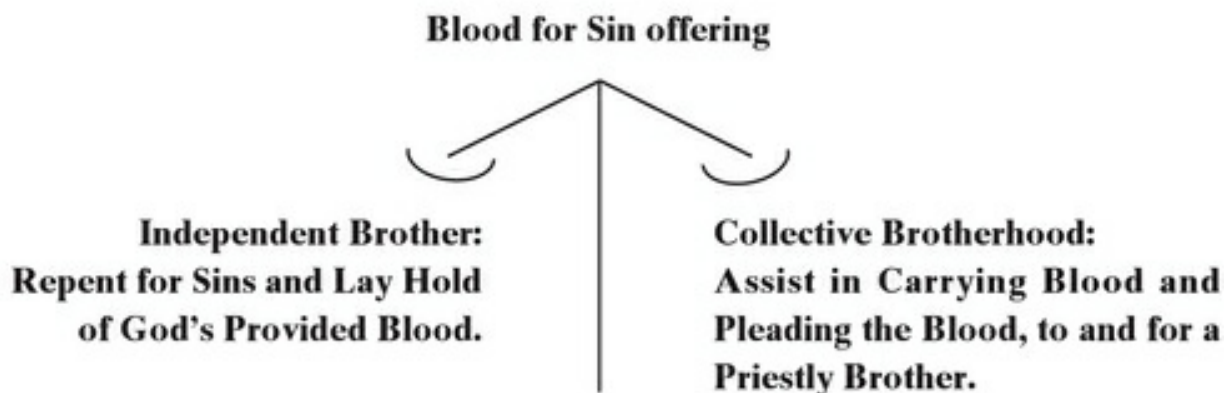
Calf Blood—Sin Offering For Aaron Himself

The second degree of Christ's tenfold Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the calf blood, which fits together with the Second Commandment: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
2. Calf Blood—Second Commandment: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." Sin Offering for Aaron Himself (Leviticus 9:8,9).
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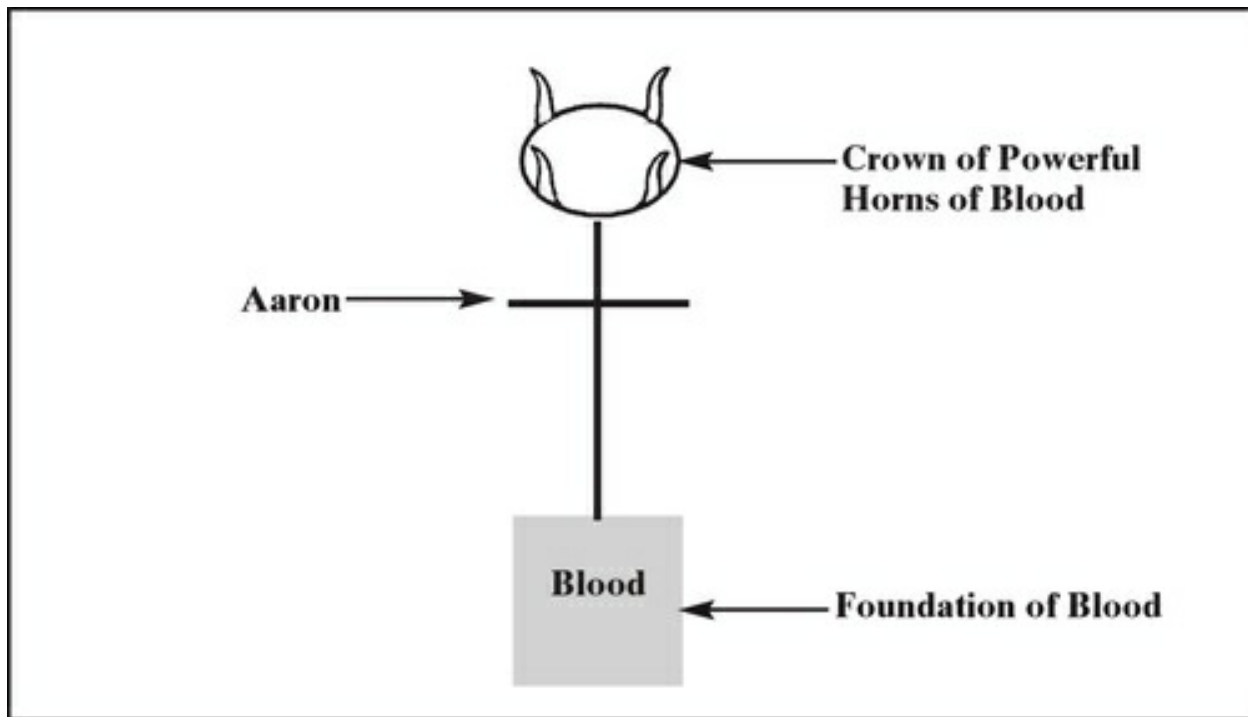
Aaron therefore went unto the altar, and slew the calf of the sin offering, which was for himself. And the sons of Aaron brought the blood unto him: and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the bottom of the altar: (Leviticus 9:8,9).

Although Aaron slew his own sacrifice, his sons caught the blood and brought it to their father. This teaches us the kind of Brotherhood of love, mercy, and grace that God wanted in the Priesthood. Although we, by ourselves, are to lay hold of Christ's Blood, on one side, on the other side, we are to help others, as Brothers, to make themselves clean through the Blood.



Aaron received the blood from his sons or "brotherly" Priests and applied it first to the horns of the Brazen Altar. The "bloody horns" on the Altar bore witness that its liberating power had the strength to lift the offerer higher in his moral journey upward to the LORD God. Then, he poured the rest of the sin offering foundational blood at the

bottom of the Altar. Thus, Aaron stood on a foundation of blood and was crowned with powerful horns of blood.



We are standing on an eternal, solid Foundation of Christ's shed Blood; therefore, our feet cannot slip nor move if we continue to choose His Blood. Our head is crowned with Christ's Horns of Blood that have All-Power, Dominion, and Sovereignty over sin. Hence, nothing nor no one can prevent us from marching onward and upward in the journey of our moral high calling to the LORD God and His Only Begotten Son.

After offering sacrifices for seven days for Aaron's and his sons' consecration to the Priesthood, Moses commanded Aaron and his sons to begin to execute the office of the Priesthood. Aaron was commanded to offer a calf for a sin offering for himself, first, and to pour its blood at the bottom of the Altar.

The Hebrew word for *calf* is *ayghel*, meaning a male calf, as frisking around, from the Hebrew root word *awgole*, meaning to revolve, circular, round.

Aaron had been influenced to make an idol in the form of a golden calf for Israel to worship when they were on Mount Horeb. However, God did not create calves for man to use as an image in idolatrous worship. The LORD's real purpose in creating calves was to be a picture of Jesus Christ's Redeeming Blood and to teach us how to praise His Holy Name in the dance.

The LORD taught Aaron that the cleansing power of the calf blood in the bottom of the Altar would free him from ever making another "golden calf idol." The Ink of God's Calf Blood in Christ Jesus writes His *Torah-Truth*—"Thou shalt have no other gods before me"—in our *worker* heart.

A young calf in the natural realm is a frisky little animal. The birth of a little calf is a great experience to see. At first, the little wobbly creature cannot stand up because it is too weak. Yet, as soon as the calf is born, it knows it is supposed to stand up. Therefore, it tries to get up on its little, weak, wobbly legs. Although it gets up and falls down, it just keeps on trying, and through the process, its legs are strengthened. In about an hour, it stands up, according to God's Purpose and Plan for it. Then, in about another two or three hours, it begins frisking around in a circular dance, as it were.

Likewise, when Christ's Calf Blood sets us free from our golden, idolatrous images that lead to breaking God's *Torah-Truth*, God's great Spirit of Liberty causes us to be frisky, as it were, as we shout and move around in the freedom of His Holy Spirit. How victorious and powerful is Christ's Calf Blood!

This was the first offering that was offered by the Levitical Priesthood, according to the newly enacted Law of Sacrifices. Although Aaron was the highest Priest in the Levitical order, he was commanded to slay, with his own hands, his own sacrifice. He did the same work as that of a lesser Priest. Aaron was a mortal creature, like all other creatures who have been shapen in iniquity and born in sin.

Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me (Psalm 51:5).

Because Aaron was a sinner by conception and by birth, a result of Adam the First's sinful choice, he had to lay hold of his sin offering with his own hands. This teaches us that it does not matter what high position or office we have been given, we still must personally (with our own hands, as it were) lay hold of Christ's Sin Offering Blood for ourselves.

A leader in God's Kingdom must set the example for his spiritual sons, showing them, by being an illustrative role model, how to confess one's own sins and how, personally, to lay hold of Christ's shed Blood for one's own sin, first, before trying to lead others.

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission (Hebrews 9:22).

Since all men have sinned, they all are guilty before God. Sin has caused all human beings to forfeit their inheritances, their liberties, and their lives. They are under God's Divine Justice and Judgment as sinners. But God, in the infinity of His divine Mercy, proclaimed His limitless, immutable Grace through His Covenant of Blood. In the Old Testament, God accepted the blood of clean creatures for the covering of sin, typifying the Blood of Christ until Christ could appear and once and for all become man's Sin Offering. Through His Blood, Christ takes away man's sin, creating redemption, sanctification, and justification for man.

In his day, Aaron willingly laid hold of the calf and offered its blood as a covering for his sin so that, as a cleansed leader, he could go forth to serve in God's Sanctuary before his sons and his brethren, the Israelites. The calf's sin offering blood liberated Aaron from the sin he had committed in making the golden calf for the Israelites to worship.

In the Second Commandment, "Thou shalt have no other god before me," God excluded all idolatrous worship of any other creature. Since God is the only One True God, everything except Him is a "no thing," a "no god." Everything besides the LORD God is a created thing and, therefore, dependent upon Him for its life, its breath, its movement, its achievement, and its power.

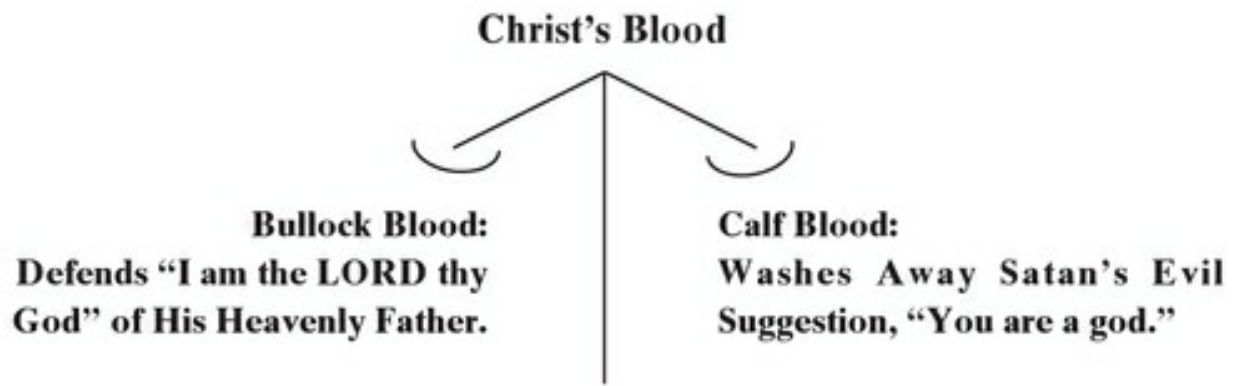
All Creation is entirely dependent upon the Almighty Power and Eternal Life of the Almighty God. To ask the LORD God to share His infinite Divine Deity with some created thing is unparalleled impudence and unspeakable insolence. God forbids the inner and outer worship of any kind of image, whether in the invisible word of thoughts and feelings, or in the visible deed of prostrating oneself to an image. We must not lay ourselves down before an idol, demonstrating a great humility or abject humiliation and submission to a "no god," completely subjugating ourselves to our own images in our own minds, when these idols are nothing but vain, mental forms. Paying divine worship to vain "no things" makes the crime of idolatry even greater before the LORD. Trying to rob God of His Deity and His honourable homage or worship is the epitome of all crimes.

Satan attacked Jesus, the Second Adam, with the same offer he made to Adam the First. He first tried to push Jesus to make Himself a "god," apart from His Father. Then, he tried to force Him to bow down and worship him, a fallen creature.

Jesus, with His Holy Calf Blood of Life flowing in His Veins took His stand to defend the Second Commandment.

Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve (Matthew 4:10).

If we defend the First Commandment with Christ's Bullock Blood, then we will not break the Second Commandment. However, Jesus' Calf Blood washes away our idols and repairs the Second Commandment if we break it.



Thanks be unto God the Father and His Only Begotten Son for the unspeakable Gift of His Calf Blood!

Chapter Four

Kid Goat Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of The People

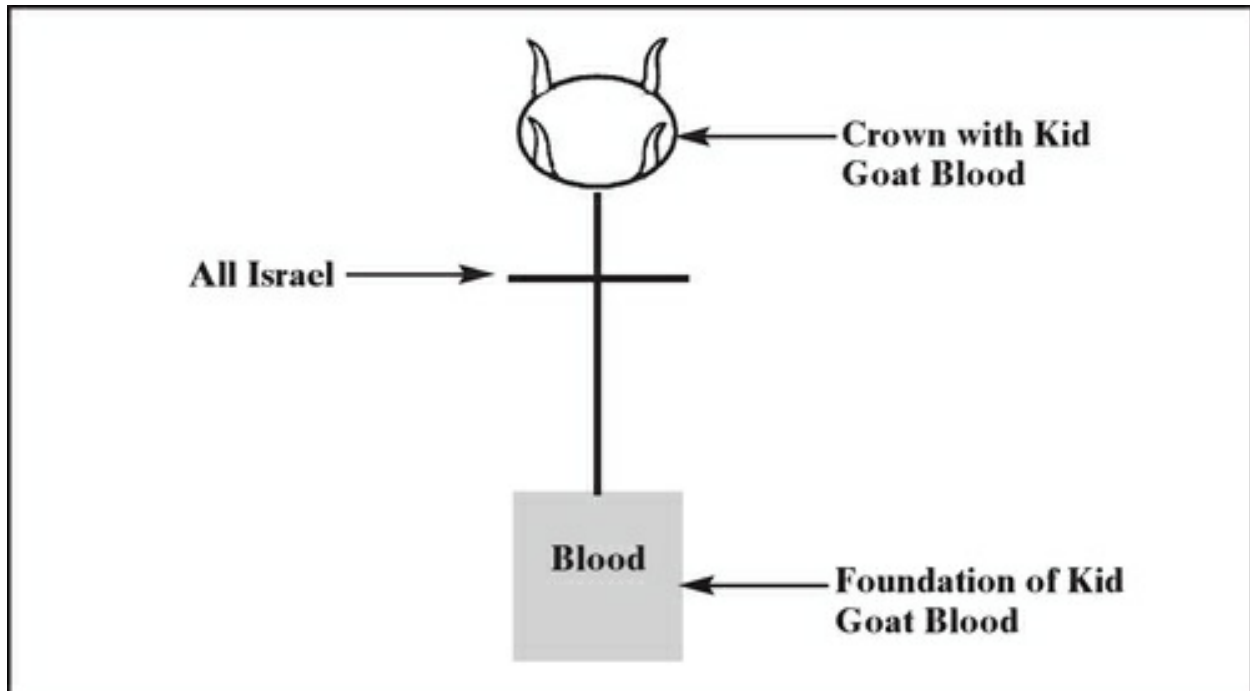
The third degree of Christ's tenfold Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the kid goat blood, which fits together with the Third Commandment: "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
3. Kid Goat Blood—Third Commandment: "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain." Sin Offering for Sins of the People (Leviticus 9:15).
2. Calf Blood—Second Commandment: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." Sin Offering for Aaron Himself (Leviticus 9:8,9).
1. Bullock Blood—First Commandment: "I am the LORD thy God." Sin Offering for Consecration of Aaron and His Sons (Exodus 29:4-14)

After Aaron had laid hold of the calf offering blood for himself, he was clean, so he could lay hold of the kid goat blood for the people.

And he brought the people's offering, and took the goat, which was the sin offering for the people, and slew it, and offered it for sin, as the first (Leviticus 9:15).

Moses commanded Aaron to offer a sin offering for the people, treating it in the same manner that he did the blood of his own calf offering. He applied the blood of the kid goat to the horns of the Altar, then he poured the blood of the kid goat at the bottom of the Altar. So all the people of Israel were called to be in the same relationship of Brotherhood Blood as Aaron.



The LORD Jesus Christ recognized the Brotherhood Blood with His Disciples after His resurrection.

Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me (Matthew 28:10).

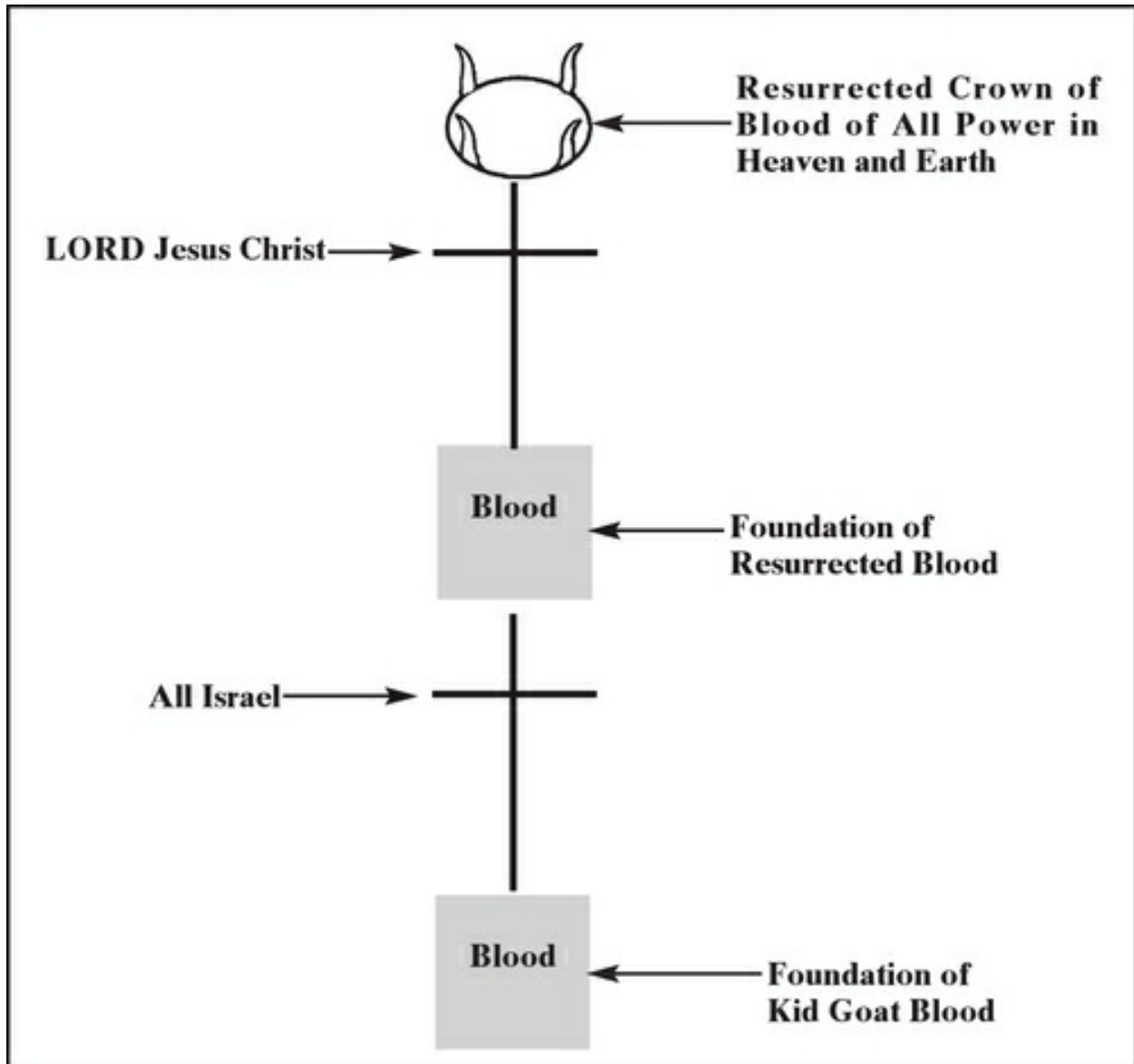
Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God (John 20:17).

Jerusalem, the harlot city, had crucified their Lord, their Brother, so Jesus adjourned the meeting of the Brotherhood to Galilee, the place of the wheel. After Jesus had risen from the dead, He became the Firstfruits from the dead, or the First Begotten from the dead, and the Firstfruits among the Brethren or the Firstborn among the Brethren.

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate *to be* conformed to the image of **his Son**, that he might be **the firstborn among many brethren** (Romans 8:29).

And from **Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead**, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, (Revelation 1:5).

Although Christ's Disciples forsook Him and fled at His crucifixion, He was ready, as the resurrected Christ, to establish the new Brotherhood between Him, as the eternally resurrected Firstfruit, Firstborn, and First Begotten from the dead, and His Disciples.



The LORD Jesus Christ, our risen Brother, gives us His precious resurrected Blood as an eternal, immovable Foundation, and He gives His ruling Crown of “Bloody Horns” to gore down all opposition to the Father’s Torah-Truth, teaching us the Brotherhood of His Father’s Love, Mercy, and Grace in a new place called Galilee (*gawleel*), which means a circle.

A circle represents the unending form of the Father’s Unity Circle. The Circle of the Father’s Name—*yod, hay, vaw, hay*—has no beginning and no end.

The resurrected Jesus has been eternally made both LORD and Christ (Acts 2:36). Now, He can help us grow in His Stature by giving us His Name so that we can be in His Bride. And He gives us His Father’s Name so that we can be in Galilee, as it were. When we are a part of Christ’s Brotherhood of Love, Mercy, and Grace, we can go to those who have forsaken us and fled and make Brethren out of them for the Father’s great Name’s sake.

The Hebrew word for *goat* is *saweer*, which means, in a good sense, to be shaggy, hairy, an he goat, from the Hebrew root word *sawar*, which means to storm, to shiver or fear, tempestuous, whirlwind.

The LORD God provided such omnipotent Power in Christ’s resurrected Goat Blood that it causes us to shiver and fills us with fear, awe, and reverence toward the LORD’s Holy Name, lest we take it in vain.

As Christians, we have taken on the Name of the LORD Jesus Christ and placed our visible existence under the Power of His invisible Name. Our whole future lies in our submission to come under His Name, which never will

leave us nor forsake us. He also has given His omnipotent Goat Blood so that we always can vehemently drive away or take away doubts and fears that would cause us to disbelieve the Power of His Holy Name. Disbelieving would mean that we took the LORD's Name in vain. With the omnipotent Power of the LORD's Blood and Name, we cannot miss the goal of our moral high calling of being in Christ's Bride and Brotherhood.

Goats in the natural realm are famous for their surefootedness and determination. Jesus's Kid Goat Blood gives us spiritual surefootedness, thus freeing us from all doubts and hesitancy to believe that we can win the race for the prize of being Christ's Bride and one of His Brotherhood. Christ's Goat Blood gives us firmness of determination and a fixed purpose in our wills to press on in the spiritual battle against all disunity with the Father, the Son, and the Brethren. Christ's Goat-Blood determination in our minds will win in the midst of all battles.

This day, I lifted my hands unto my LORD, saying, "God, I am more determined than I have ever been in all my life to pay the price, to meet the conditions, and to go on with You!" I perceive that my spiritual merchandise is good. Therefore, I am not going to sell it for anything or anyone. There is no price anyone could offer, in trying to pay me for what I have, that I would take. My spiritual merchandise is too valuable, and Jesus already has paid the biggest price for it. Blessed be God forever more. He is so awesome!

Christ's Kid Goat Blood will cleanse His people of the besetting sin of disunity in the Brotherhood so that His people can have His Father's unified Name of LORD written in their foreheads. Thus, we do not take His Name in vain at the Brazen Altar if we let it lead and guide us up in Christ's Stature to the unified Brotherhood on the Mercy Seat.

"Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain" is the Third Commandment. The LORD will not tolerate any idolatrous god that destroys the *Torah*-Truth of "I am the LORD thy God" or that destroys God's Purposive Will, which is the Unity of the Brotherhood and all Creation.

That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: (Ephesians 1:10).

The LORD will not allow anything to stop His Purposive Will to bring about His Unity and Oneness with the 144,000 who are the *firstfruits* of God's universal Brotherhood on Mount Zion. But He will keep educating His Creation in His Purpose of complete Unity and Oneness until all are brought into Unity and Harmony with Christ and His Kid Goat Blood.

All multidiversity in God's Creation will be brought together in multiformity in Christ through His Kid Goat Blood that will wash away all sin of disunity and disharmony. All things in Heaven and Earth will be gathered together in Christ so that all Creation will be made one through His great Name. The LORD's Holy *Tetragrammaton* Name is the eternal Inheritance of all His Creation. Ultimately, God's eternal Kingdom will be filled with perfect Love, Joy, and Peace with God and with each other.

Chapter Five

Bullock Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of Ignorance Of The Priesthood

The fourth degree of Christ's tenfold Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the bullock blood, which fits with the Fourth Commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
4. Bullock Blood—Fourth Commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Priesthood (Leviticus 4:3-7).
3. Kid Goat Blood—Third Commandment: "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain." Sin Offering for Sins of the People (Leviticus 9:15).
2. Calf Blood—Second Commandment: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." Sin Offering for Aaron Himself (Leviticus 9:8,9).
1. Bullock Blood—First Commandment: "I am the LORD thy God." Sin Offering for Consecration of Aaron and His Sons (Exodus 29:4-14)

If the priest that is anointed do sin according to the sin of the people; then let him bring for his sin, which he hath sinned, a young bullock without blemish unto the LORD for a sin offering. And he shall bring the bullock unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD; and shall lay his hand upon the bullock's head, and kill the bullock before the LORD. And the priest that is anointed shall take of the bullock's blood, and bring it to the tabernacle of the congregation: And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times before the LORD, before the vail of the sanctuary. And the priest shall put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar of sweet incense before the LORD, which is in the tabernacle of the congregation; and shall pour all the blood of the bullock at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which is at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation (Leviticus 4:3-7).

The anointed Priest who was officiating in the LORD's Sanctuary was God's "bullock" in His Sanctuary because, through his sacrifices and prayers for the people, he opened up the minds and feelings of God's people so that they could receive the Seeds of Light and Life from the LORD's *Torah*-Truth. The Seeds of Light and Life from the LORD's *Torah*-Truth generate, in the souls and spirits of God's true Priests and people, new freshness and new enthusiasm each day. Thus, God's priestly Ministers are not to grow weary and worn out in their relationship to the LORD and for the LORD. They are not to err by becoming old and weary in their intimate spiritual relationship with the LORD, though resenting and begrudging their labors for Him.

The LORD's Priests sinfully err when they lose their personal undeviating dedications and unswerving devotion to the LORD God and His Holy Name. After much learning, a priestly minister easily can become arrogant and self-conceited and commit the error of using the spiritual beauty and splendor of the LORD's Truth to fall in love with himself. When this happens, this arrogant, self-conceited one, instead of laying all his work at the LORD's Feet on the Sabbath Day and giving Him all the glory and honour and resting in Him, will use the Sabbath Day to work frantically to bring more glory and honour to himself. So he becomes guilty of breaking the Fourth Commandment.

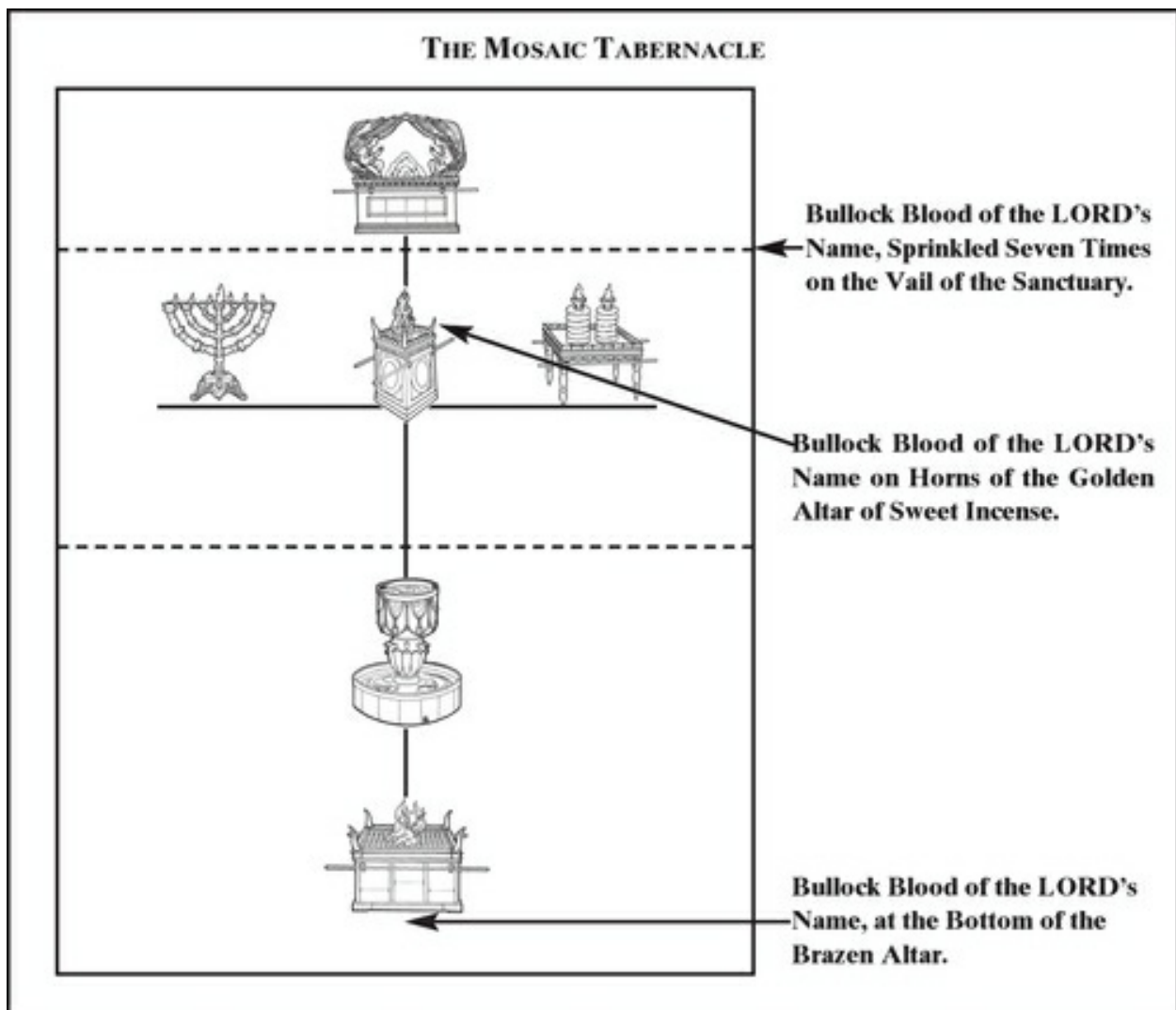
Arrogance in a priestly minister robs him of his ability to hear from the LORD and to see clearly the Light of Truth and to feel in his *lover* heart the Truth that would keep him humble and grateful for whatever beauty and

splendor the LORD has bestowed upon him. When he becomes full of self-importance and overbearing haughtiness, he ignorantly errs in spiritual judgment about God's things. When his self-conceit fills his heart with a too-high opinion of himself, he has no rest in his soul and is easily led by his own idolatrous, vain imaginations. Consequently, he thinks that he is above the spiritual necessity of going, afresh and anew, to the LORD's Word, where, with new devotions, he can find new Truth and repent over previously unknown errors. Then, with grateful excitement, he can practice the moral Truth in his everyday life and serve the LORD with joy and gladness.

The LORD provided special bullock blood in the Old Testament Covenant for the Priest to bring before the LORD for his own error and remisses so that he could remain clean and fresh in his soul for the LORD. The LORD has provided, in Jesus Christ, the cleansing Bullock Blood, as it were, for the errors and remisses of His ministers in the New Testament dispensation.

The anointed Priest put the bullock blood in three places:

- on the dividing Vail between the Holy Place and the Holy of Holies;
- on the four horns of the Golden Altar of sweet Incense in the Holy Place;
- at the bottom of the Brazen Altar in the Courtyard.



The LORD, through the Old Testament Covenant, pictures and reveals the *Tetragrammaton*, His Holy Name, everywhere in the Mosaic Tabernacle. The Vail before the Holy of Holies was made with Cherubims of *blue, purple, scarlet, and white* fine-twined linen. These four colors picture the beauty of the four letters of the Holy

Tetragrammaton Name of the LORD. The seven joinings of the bullock blood with the Vail teaches us how Jesus' Blood would be joined with the LORD's Holy Name, making a way into the Holy of Holies by cleansing the offenses that we have heaped upon His Holy Name.

Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; (Hebrews 10:19,20).

Jesus, with His Blood and the Father's Name, LORD, is our "Vail," thus we can be cleansed of errors against His Name and appear in His Holy Presence and worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.

After sprinkling the blood on the vail, the anointed Priest then applied the bullock blood to the horns of the Golden Altar that already had been anointed with the Holy Anointing Oil that was made of myrrh, cinnamon, calamus, and cassia. These four fragrant spices in the Holy Anointing Oil also represented the *yod*, the second *hay*, the first *hay*, and the *vaw* of the LORD's Holy Name, which was the order when the Name was laid out in the form of the Cross.

The bullock blood and the Anointing Oil became one on the four horns of the Golden Altar, providing victorious cleansing power so that the sweet Incense could rise up from the top of the Golden Altar and ascend as a sweet savour into the Heavenly Father's Nostrils.

After the anointed Priest had applied the bullock blood in the two places in the Holy Place (the dividing Vail and the horns of the Golden Altar), he went to the Brazen Altar in the Courtyard and poured the rest of the bullock blood at the bottom of the Altar, forming the fourth layer of foundational blood.

The Golden Altar is the only piece of furniture in the Mosaic Tabernacle that is said to have a Top, or the word in Hebrew is *gawg*. The Top of the Golden Altar is connected to Jesus' Command about the Husetop. In Hebrew *top* and *husetop* are both *gawg*, which means a roof, a top of an altar, from *gawaw*, which means to mount up, to rise up, to be majestic, to be glorious, to grow up, to increase, to be risen, to triumph, to ascend. The spiritual Husetop is the Top of the Golden Altar of Incense with its four horns.

And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, **the top [gawg] thereof**, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt make unto it a crown of gold round about (Exodus 30:3).

Here, at the Golden Altar's Top, through the Incense of Jesus' Name and through the Anointing Oil of the LORD's Holy Name and the LORD's Bullock Blood for the sins of ignorance, the LORD wants us to declare our testimony in witnessing, prayer, and praise. In other words, the Golden Altar is God's Husetop. From this roof or Husetop, the Incense, representing the Name of Jesus, joined the Anointing Oil of the *Tetragrammaton*, the LORD's Holy Name with the bullock blood, ascending above to the Ark and Mercy Seat and beyond, to the curtains and the walls, and even beyond them.

God wants us to build up an eternal witness *for good* and *against* evil on Top, as it were, of the Golden Altar. The LORD said that *what we have spoken will be proclaimed from the husetops*. Thus, our testimonies, whether *for good* or *against* evil, are going to be shouted from the Husetops in God's spiritual worlds. Likewise, the testimonies of evil ones will be proclaimed from God's Husetops.

For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known. Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; **and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the husetops** (Luke 12:2,3).

Whatever is spoken in *khoshek* darkness or misery, woe, affliction, or pain will be heard in the Light. The Hebrew root word for *light* in the above verse is *shehmesh*, meaning to be brilliant, the sun, the east, a ray, the west, a window.

God's Testimony in Eternity, in the East, is the place in which God records all testimonies or words out of man's mouth, whether good or evil. God's *ad* Eternity* receives whatever is spoken in the ear in the closet (of prayer), and that which is spoken will be proclaimed from the Husetops, the eternal dwelling places or Eternities of the LORD's Holy Name.

The Hebrew root word for *spoken* in the phrase "spoken in the ear in closets" is *hawgaw*, meaning to murmur in pleasure or in anger by pondering, imagining, meditating, mourning, muttering, roaring, studying, talking, uttering, speaking softly, whispering. It also means silent speech, the murmur of the heart, to coo as a dove, to moan, to growl, to sing, to think upon, to devise, plot, and the silent tones of the heart.

The LORD hears and records whatever comes out of our mouths in the prayer closet, whether it is the *evil of*

complaining against His governing of our lives or the *good of praising* Him for His governing of our lives.

The LORD speaks of the solitary sparrow on the “rooftop,” which pictures the solitary high place or Golden Altar as the place for the prayer warrior.

I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top (Psalm 102:7).

The sparrow uses the rooftop, the Golden Altar as it were, for its prayerful, watchful song that welcomes another day, as it testifies about the LORD’s faithful Name to His Creation.

The wise man in the Book of Proverbs also testified that it is better to live in a corner of the Housetop (*gawg*) of His Golden Altar of prayer than to live in a house with a contentious woman.

It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house (Proverbs 21:9).

The Father and the Son’s Name in prayer is more comforting than the brawling voices of creatures. How beautiful to know that the LORD hears the faintest whisper of a testimony from the silent heart in the prayer closet.

If we testify by saying, “We just have to have that earthly thing,” God records it. If we say, “Oh, we just have to have this person, even though he is a hindrance to us spiritually,” God records it. If we say, “Oh, we need to feel angry at this person because we do not like him. We need to punish this person with our anger because he mistreated us,” God records it. He writes all these evils things in His *ad* Eternity or *Recording* Eternity. And when He shouts out our evil testimonies from His Rooftop, the devils will hear our testimonies and will be glad to make our evil testimonies a landing strip so that they can increase evil in us, more and more. But to the faithful soldiers who daily war against the flesh, producing a good testimony, God will say, “Great, I will send more reinforcements of Life, Light, and Love over to that man or woman because he or she, then, will make a greater soldier in my Kingdom.” Therefore, the LORD will send strong angels to help us war against the powers of darkness.

Likewise, when we lift up the LORD’s Name, this, too, is recorded to our account in the *ad* or *Recording* Eternity. This is why fallen Lucifer and his kingdom of darkness are so angry with me. I have taught God’s people to worship the LORD in Spirit and in Truth. To God be *all* the Glory! I have rocked fallen Lucifer’s world for Christ’s sake, by the LORD’s Almighty Power! And, yet, not I, but the Christ that liveth in me. He has done it. To Him be all the glory!

Now, we can clearly see why Lucifer said, “I want to ascend to the Father’s Tree of Knowledge and bypass the Son’s Tree of Life.” But the Father threw him out of Heaven. Then, fallen Lucifer, the old Serpent, crawled inside a natural serpent and came into the Garden and asked, in so many words, “Has God said that you cannot eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil?” Adam-female gave her interpretation, “No, God has said that we cannot eat of it, lest we die. There is a chance we might die, and He also told us not even to touch it.” That was a lie!

Notice how she cut away some of the Truth and, then, added some to the Truth. So the Serpent called to her and said, “Come on over here to the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. Let me prove to you that God is a liar. Touch the Tree now.” When Adam-female touched the Tree, the Serpent said, “See, you have not lost your glory nor your life. You have not died. See, it is not a Tree of Death; eat of it.” Deceived, she stole God’s Fruit, ate of it, and lost her glory and her spiritual Life immediately and, later, her physical life. Then, she stole more Fruit and gave it to her husband, Adam-male, and he also did eat. The woman was deceived by the Serpent, but the man deliberately ate the forbidden Fruit. (I have a desire to talk with Adam, wherever he is, when I arrive upstairs. I want to thank him for letting me take this earthly journey because I have had the privilege to store up my testimony for the Life and Truth of Jesus Christ in the *ad* or *Recording* Eternity.) After they had lost their glory through their disobedience, Adam and Eve stole fig leaves from the Tree of Knowledge so that they could make aprons or military belts with which to fight against God.

The Tree of Knowledge was the Father’s Unbegotten Blood Tree. This is the Tree that belongs to the *vaw* letter of His Name that sprouted out, as it were, from His own Self. It was the part of His Infinity that He marked off and spun out from Himself. Consequently, the disobedient pair sinned against the Father’s Unbegotten Knowledge of His Blood Life and against the Begotten Blood Life of Christ in the Tree of Life by ignoring it and bypassing it.

I always wondered why there had to be a blood offering until I was made to understand the LORD’s precious Truth about the Unbegotten Blood of the Father and the Begotten Blood of the Son. Adam-male and Adam-female’s sin was first against the Blood of God, the Father’s Blood, then it was against the Blood of God the Son. Before God created man, He knew that man would sin. So, before man was created, He provided Blood for redemption through His only Begotten Son. The Father said, in His Purposive Will and Master Plan, “I will beget an only Begotten Son,

Jesus Christ, and I will put some of my Blood in Him. Then, when created man sins, my Son can go down and give up His redemptive Blood for a Sin Offering to redeem man from his sin against my Unbegotten-Blood Life.” But Adam-male and Adam-female needed a blood offering *before* the LORD sent His Son to Earth, and before He could permit them to leave the Garden. So the LORD offered an animal blood sacrifice as a shadow and type of His Son, Who would come in the fullness of time with His Father’s Begotten Blood in His Holy Veins, His *Begotten* Blood having been generated from His Father’s *Unbegotten* Blood.

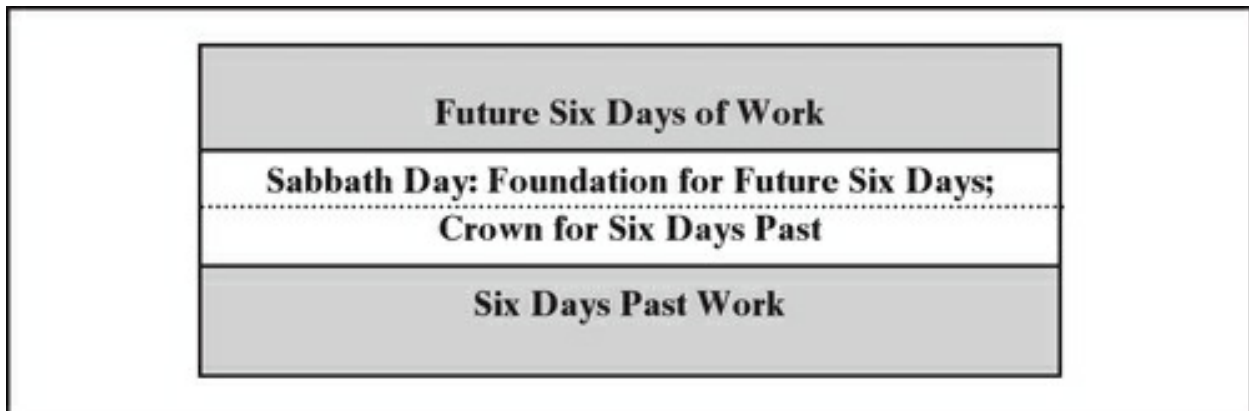
Beloved, it is so beautiful to understand the big picture of God’s Eternal Purpose and Plan. I marvel how our infinite LORD puts such Divine Truth in such a short space in His wonderful Word. His Principles of Truth prove themselves over and over again in the Bible. We are not to debate His Truth with people. Arguing, quarreling, and debating to defend God’s points of Truth are a waste of time. We are not sent to defend His Truth through our fleshly efforts. We are sent to bear witness of His Truth from our living, theoretical Knowledge and from our empirical Knowledge in Christ Jesus.

Fallen Lucifer hates the Father’s Unbegotten Blood and His Son’s Begotten Blood. The Father’s Blood belongs to the *naytsakh* Eternity of His Holy Name, a place that the old “*kehdem nawkhash*” Serpent can never attain, although he has tried. The old Serpent has been around a long time.

The bullock blood for the sins of ignorance for the Priesthood was put on the dividing Vail and on the horns of the Golden Altar and on its Rooftop; then, the rest was poured at the bottom of the Brazen Altar. Thus, this bullock blood joined the Vail, the Golden Altar, and the Brazen Altar together as *one way of blood* to the Holy of Holies. This unity blood generated a rest in the Priest’s soul so that he could keep the Sabbath Day Holy.

The Hebrew word for *Sabbath* is *shabbawth*, meaning intermission, from *shabbethahee*, meaning restful. The Sabbath is an interval of restful time between a past period of natural activity and a future period of natural activity. The Sabbath is a discontinuing of natural works so that the soul and spirit can work in the LORD’s Spiritual Work on the seventh day.

The LORD God commanded man to work, with his power and ability, six days during the week, to master natural materials, thus bringing them into a realm of service for human purposes, according to God’s Purposive Will. When work is performed in obedience to God’s Commandment, this is part of God’s service to mankind in His Kingdom on Earth. God has placed us in this world with the responsibility to leave it better than we found it. We are to take its materials for our own exclusive use and change them and transform them into the realm of usefulness for human purposes, according to God’s Purposive Will. God’s blessing on the physical work we do for six days is the foundation for His Sabbath Day of rest. God gives us rest from physical work so that we can work spiritually in His House on the seventh day. Consequently, the Sabbath Day is both an *exalted, restful crown* for the past six days and a *restful foundation* for the future six days of work.



We are servants to God, and He has put us here in His world to help Him maintain His world, making it a better place in the six days He gives us to work. But on the seventh day, we are to cease our former work so that we can pay honour to the LORD God, afresh and anew. We are to find His Sabbath rest which not only renews and refreshes our physical energy but also makes our future six days prophetically alive and exciting. Hence, during the next six days of work, we can return to master our material world and express our joy and gladness unto the LORD for His Goodness to us. The Sabbath day is for the purpose of renewing our minds in the *Torah*-Truth that says, “I am the LORD thy God” from Whom we have our being—every breath of our existence. He is the Owner and Master

of His world, of His creatures, and of us and our work in His Kingdom. The Sabbath is for bringing the work we have done in His Kingdom and laying it at His precious Feet, along with the future work of the coming week.



Thus, we can at all times live a happy, well-balanced life in our present week of work, while looking forward with rest, joy, and gladness to the Sabbath Day and the next week's work.

Only when we obey the LORD's Purposive Will in our working and resting will we see clearly that all the working and resting we do is truly in the divine light of service to the LORD God. We are nothing; have nothing; can do nothing; and know nothing apart from Him. Consequently, the sweet Sabbath of the LORD provides us the precious privilege of denuding ourselves and stripping off our vain "little god syndrome" that says we are the masters over God's material matters. Stripped of our pretensions, we truthfully can acknowledge the true Owner and Master of all things by laying ourselves and our works at His divine Feet on His Sabbath Day.

We also can lay hold of Christ's Bullock Blood, as it were, and confess our ignorant thoughts that make us think the following erroneous things:

- I am *my* own person;
- This is *my* work;
- This is *my* material;
- This is *my* power;
- This is *my* kingdom;
- This is *my* right;
- I am the owner and master.

Christ's precious Bullock Blood generates a new foundational Blood for our prayer life so that we can totally surrender all things back to our LORD God, the true Master and Owner. Once we have done this, we are elevated and lifted up to the Rooftop of the Golden Altar or Christ's precious Heart, where we can pray, praise, and testify to the Truth on our way to the Heavenly Father, Who is above all Creation, into the Infinity of His Presence, the place of rest and peace that passes all forms of understanding. Without this rest, peace, and joy from the Supreme, Sovereign Master and Owner, the LORD God, we, the little sub-masters, will become bored, depressed, and resentful about our natural work in this material world. When we lay down the human power and might of our hands and arms, we find our LORD's everlasting Arms and infinite Hands giving us His divine Rest, Life, and Peace from

Himself, Who is above all Creation!

* There are two more Eternities: God's Witness Eternity and His Blood Eternity. For further studies on this subject, see: Sermon Studies 1845-1849 and 2156 by B.R. Hicks (Jeffersonville, IN: Christ Gospel Churches Int'l., Inc., 2001).

Chapter Six

Bullock Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of Ignorance Of The Whole Congregation

The fifth degree of Christ's tenfold Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the young bullock blood, which fits with the Fifth Commandment: "Honour thy father and thy mother."

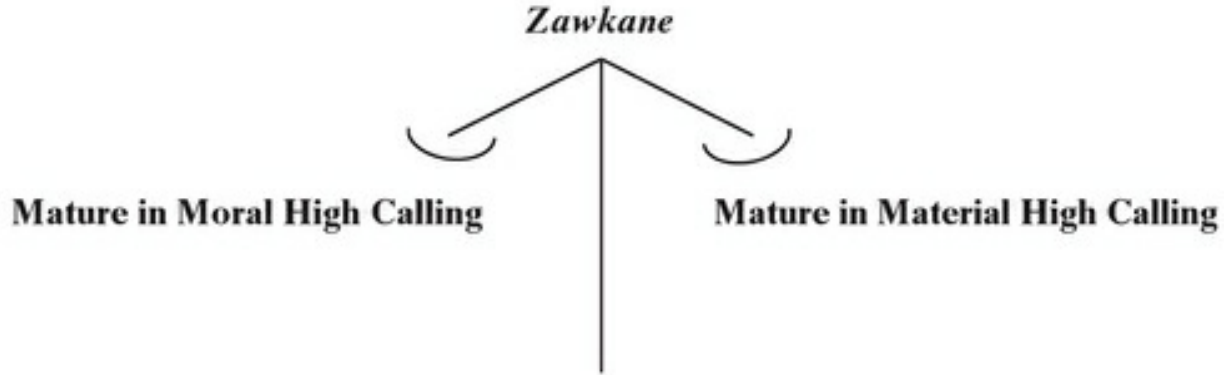
THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
5. Bullock Blood—Fifth Commandment: "Honour thy father and thy mother." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Whole Congregation (Leviticus 4:13,18).
4. Bullock Blood—Fourth Commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Priesthood (Leviticus 4:3-7).
3. Kid Goat Blood—Third Commandment: "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain." Sin Offering for Sins of the People (Leviticus 9:15).
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And if the whole congregation of Israel sin through ignorance, and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which should not be done, and are guilty; When the sin, which they have sinned against it, is known, then the congregation shall offer a young bullock for the sin, and bring him before the tabernacle of the congregation. And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock before the LORD: and the bullock shall be killed before the LORD. And the priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's blood to the tabernacle of the congregation: And the priest shall dip his finger in some of the blood, and sprinkle it seven times before the LORD, even before the vail. And he shall put some of the blood upon the horns of the altar which is before the LORD, that is in the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall pour out all the blood at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which is at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation (Leviticus 4:13-18).

When, through ignorance of the Law, the leaders caused the nation to err, they had to offer a young bullock for the national sin. The elders (the father and mother, as it were) had to lay hands on the bullock in behalf of themselves and the people.

The Hebrew word for *elders* is *zawkane*, meaning old, aged, ancient, eldest, men and women, senior. *Zawkane* does not refer to natural years alone, but to one who has matured in spiritual experiences. A *zawkane* is one who has been an overcomer in both the spiritual world and the natural world. God's whole purpose for our being in this present world is for us to become a *zawkane*.

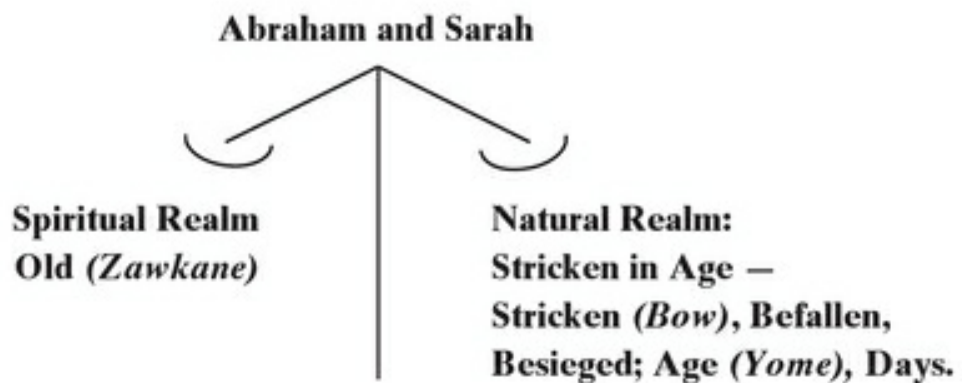
A *zawkane* is one who has achieved both his moral high calling and his material high calling.



Both Abraham and Sarah are examples of what it is to be a *zawkane*. However, just because one has matured does not mean that he or she is incapable of erring, for each person is still in a mortal body. Sarah is an example of a *zawkane* who erred.

And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent. And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. **And Sarah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son. Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh** (Genesis 18:9-15).

Abraham and Sarah were old and stricken in age at this time. Although Abraham and Sarah were mature (*zawkane*), Sarah laughed in fear and doubt about God's Promise that they would beget Isaac because they were well stricken in natural age.



In spite of their mortality, however, Abraham and Sarah had placed an eternal imprint of godliness in both their natural world and their spiritual world of that day. They had left an eternal testimony of their godliness while passing through their place in time. Abraham and Sarah were the father and mother of the Hebrew nation, and the Jews, to this day, honour them as their spiritual and natural father and mother.

The elders (*zawkane*) in Israel were the mature ones of the nation who, by their faith, transferred the national sins of ignorance upon the head of the young bullock, after their sinful errors had been made know to them. The elders, the fathers and mothers, laid their hands on the young bullock as a symbol that they were acknowledging their sins of ignorant errors and that they were laying their sins on the animal so that its blood could cover their sins until the time of Christ's appearing as God's true Lamb Who, by His precious Blood, would take away all mankind's sins.

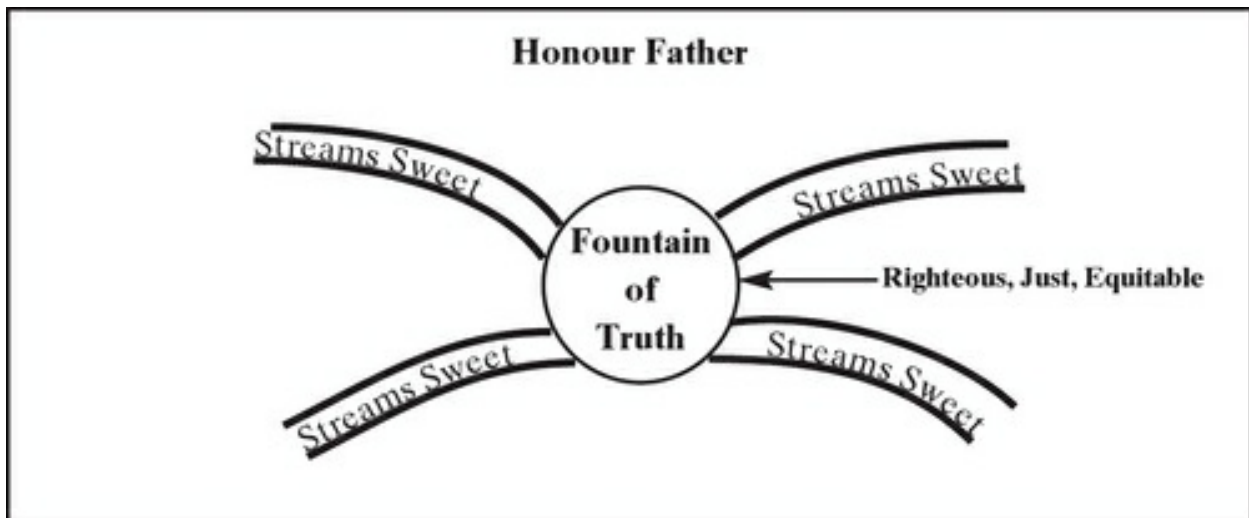
The elders had to confess all wrong ideas, theoretical wrongs, all things of Truth that had been allowed to slip from the national remembrance, all false understanding of the *Torah-Truth*, and all lack of application of the moral Law in their everyday lives.

Any error that denied one part of the Law, in turn, denied the whole Law. It was necessary, then, for a blood offering to be made to repair the damage done to the whole Law. When the national leaders, by their own intelligence, brought about a national error, then guilt before God rested on the whole nation. Furthermore, the whole nation, in its twelve brotherly tribes, had to appear before God in unity and confess their guilt, and for their atonement, they had to put their sins on a young bullock

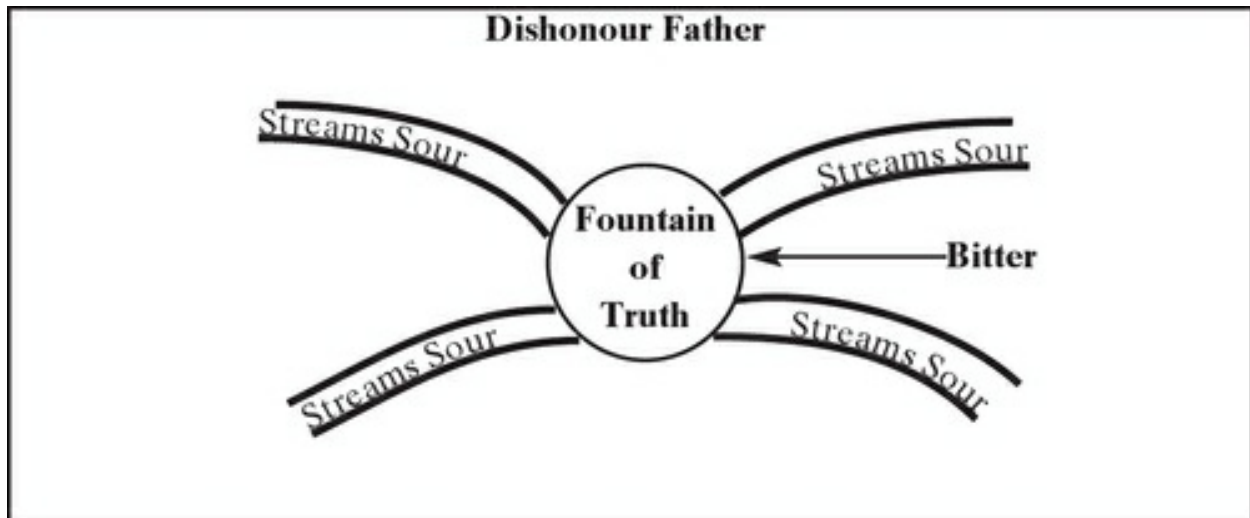
This young bullock blood also was put on the Vail and on the horns of the Golden Altar in the Holy Place. Then, it was carried to the Brazen Altar in the Courtyard and poured at the bottom of the Altar.

"Thou shalt honour thy father and thy mother" is the Fifth Commandment. God commands us to honour our parents in all realms. Natural parents are those who give us natural conception and birth and who watch over us with tenderness in our earliest days. They train us up in our youth, helping us to get settled in life as adults. Therefore, honouring them, obeying them, and loving them fills our souls and spirits with holy joy and gladness and brings down God's richest blessings on our lives. Good children will reward their good parents with love and appreciation for their spiritual teachings, their having instilled in them good moral principles, and their having provided them with a natural education, all of which will have enabled them to fight the battle of life with success.

Our spiritual Parents are our Heavenly Father and Heavenly Mother, the Heavenly Jerusalem. If we honour our Heavenly Father Who is the Unbegotten Fountain of Truth, the Eternal Cause of all things, then His overflowing streams of Life will be fruitful and productive for us. We honour our Father by making the Fountain of His Eternal Cause of all things righteous, just, and equitable. Then, His streams of Life will be sweet.



If we honour our Heavenly Father in the Fountainhead, we will reap His sweet streams of Loving Kindness, Goodness, and Pleasantness, which will overflow our souls and spirits and generate a continual garden of paradise within us. Conversely, if we dishonour our Father, the Fountainhead, as the truthful Cause of all things, we will make the Fountainhead bitter, and its streams will be sour and bitter.



A mouth that dishonours the Heavenly Father will reap bitter streams of sorrow, discomfort, grief, and pain. Many Christians go through life never learning how to create a condition of paradise in their souls and spirits. Instead, they create feelings of misery, ugliness, and incompleteness.

The Holy Jerusalem from above is the Heavenly Mother of us all, according to God's Word.

But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all (Galatians 4:26).

This is a most interesting verse when we read it in Hebrew. It shows us the secret of the Heavenly Jerusalem. First, she is the "Mother" of all souls and spirits. She is free or a servant. The Hebrew word for *free*, here, is from the Hebrew root word *awbad*, meaning to work, to cultivate, to serve, to dress, to keep, to execute, husbandman, tiller, labor, bring to pass.

This is a great description of a true Mother—a servant! Moreover, the Heavenly Jerusalem is an eternal Mother of all Creation, working, tilling in hearts and minds, executing the Father's Master Plan and Purposive Will until all Creation will be made *one* in the Perfect Age (Ephesians 1:10).

Jesus said: "But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant" (Matthew 23:11). True servants are *truly* free, which means they are not under the control or power of any others; thus, they have total liberty and freedom. The Heavenly Jerusalem, the Mother of us all is free. She is a servant whose work is to execute the Father's Purposive Will and Master Plan. The Heavenly Father and Mother are *One*.

The Hebrew word for *above* is *day, yome*, or light, everlasting. The Heavenly Mother is above and is in Everlasting Light or Day. There is no night in the Heavenly Jerusalem. It is an Eternal Day of serving and working for the Father's Purposive Will and Master Plan. The Heavenly Mother always is working to bring her children to the Father's Perfect Will. She is the Eternal Queen and true Mother.

The wise man in the Book of Proverbs exhorted us not to forsake the Law of Light and Liberty of the true Heavenly Mother.

My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother: (Proverbs 1:8).

My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother: (Proverbs 6:20).

The exhortations to honour include both natural parents and Heavenly Parents. In the LORD's *Torah-Truth*, the honouring of parents includes not only the father and mother but also those who have helped to parent us, and this can include relatives and others.

The Hebrew word for honour is from the same Hebrew root word that is used for God's *kaw-bode* Glory on the Mercy Seat, which is *kaw-bad*, meaning to be heavy. *Kaw-bad* expresses the spiritual and moral worth of a being, from its relation to heavy, weight, or mass. So *kaw-bad* means giving our parents, who have taught us the LORD's *Torah-Truth*, a similar weight of glory and honour that rested on the Mercy Seat above the *Torah-Truth* in the Ark.

We must bear in mind that this Command to honour (*kawbad*) parents was given to children whose parents had received the Law, the *Torah-Truth*, and had taught this Truth to their children.

The LORD God gave this Law, and He also gave Christ's young Bullock Blood to wash away the sins of those who disobey it. Christ's Bullock Blood is also the Ink that writes this Law in our hearts and minds.

Chapter Seven

Goat Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of Ignorance Of The Ruler

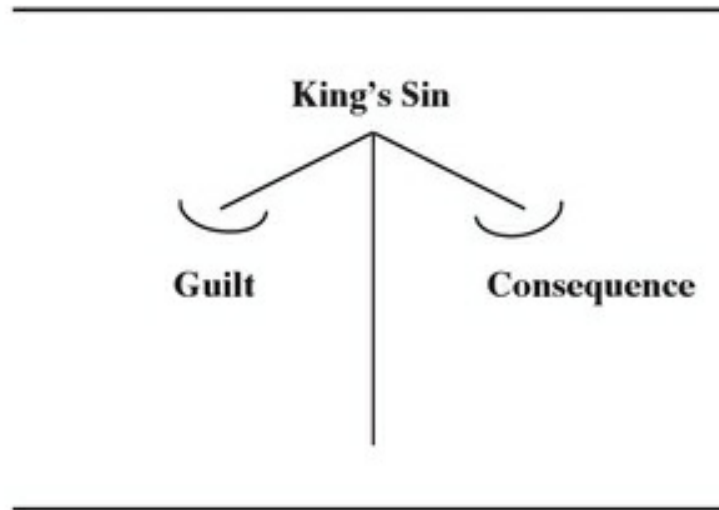
The sixth degree of Christ's tenfold Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the goat blood, which fits together with the Sixth Commandment: "Thou shalt not kill."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
6. Goat Blood—Sixth Commandment: "Thou shalt not kill." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Ruler (Leviticus 4:22,25).
5. Bullock Blood—Fifth Commandment: "Honour thy father and thy mother." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Whole Congregation (Leviticus 4:13,18).
4. Bullock Blood—Fourth Commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Priesthood (Leviticus 4:3-7).
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Happy was the nation whose king took heed to bring the atoning blood of a goat, by faith, for an ignorant error.

When a ruler hath sinned, and done somewhat through ignorance against any of the commandments of the LORD his God concerning things which should not be done, and is guilty; Or if his sin, wherein he hath sinned, come to his knowledge; he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a male without blemish: And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before the LORD: it is a sin offering. And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out his blood at the bottom of the altar of burnt offering (Leviticus 4:22-25).

In the Old Testament, when a ruling king was willing to bring a goat-blood sacrifice for his errors of judgment, he certainly repented and did penance for his willful sin, once the error had been made known to him. When a king sinned by doing those things that God had forbidden him to do as a king or ruler, the guilt and its consequence rested upon him and his future as a king.



A king guilty of sin and its consequence endangered his kingdom and his subjects. So the sin had to be brought to his mind so that he could know and understand what evil he had committed against God's Commandments; then, he could repent and bring his sacrifice and have the atoning goat blood to cover his sin.

King David is a classic example of this Principle in action. David sinned in his adulterous relationship with Bathsheba. After he knew she was pregnant, he tried to cover his sin by ultimately having her husband Uriah killed in battle. David's guilt of the sins of adultery and murder brought disgrace and distress on his family and his government and involved him in trouble during the remnant of his days. His domestic peace was destroyed.

David knew that his deeds were sinful. However, he was ignorant of the magnitude of his guilt until Nathan, the Prophet, came to show him his guilt by telling him a parable about a rich man who had many flocks and herds and a poor man who had only one ewe lamb that was most precious to him. The rich man took the poor man's one ewe lamb and had it killed to serve to his guest.

Understanding the story, literally, David's anger was generated against the heartless selfishness of the rich man, and he pronounced the death penalty upon him. Then, Nathan said: "Thou art the man." These four little words, spoken by Nathan, brought volumes of guilt and condemnation upon David's soul.

Nathan, the great Hebrew Prophet, like the Prophet Elijah, feared not the great sovereign king of the land. David saw his great sin and acknowledged his guilt by his six words of confession: "I have sinned against the LORD." Although David had committed adultery and had murdered a man, he confessed that his sin was against the LORD, His Creator, because he had broken His Law. Nathan's four powerful words stung David's conscience. Therefore, at Nathan's rebuke, David repented.

God's infinite, omnipotent, merciful Glory shone more brightly, swallowing up the darkness of David's sin. Although the LORD forgave David and put away his sin at once, the consequence of it followed David's soul, family, and kingdom the rest of his days. David continued his penitent cry for many years because of the indebtedness that he had incurred by his guilt.

For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done *this* evil in thy sight:
 that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, *and* be clear when thou judgest.... **Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which**
thou hast broken may rejoice.... Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit (Psalm 51:3,4,8,12).

On one side, David knew that he had sinned, but he did not know that his sin was against the Holy LORD's Name *alone* and against His *Torah*-Truth until the Prophet came to him. Then, his conscience was smitten, crushed, and grieved with the true awareness of his sin before the LORD.

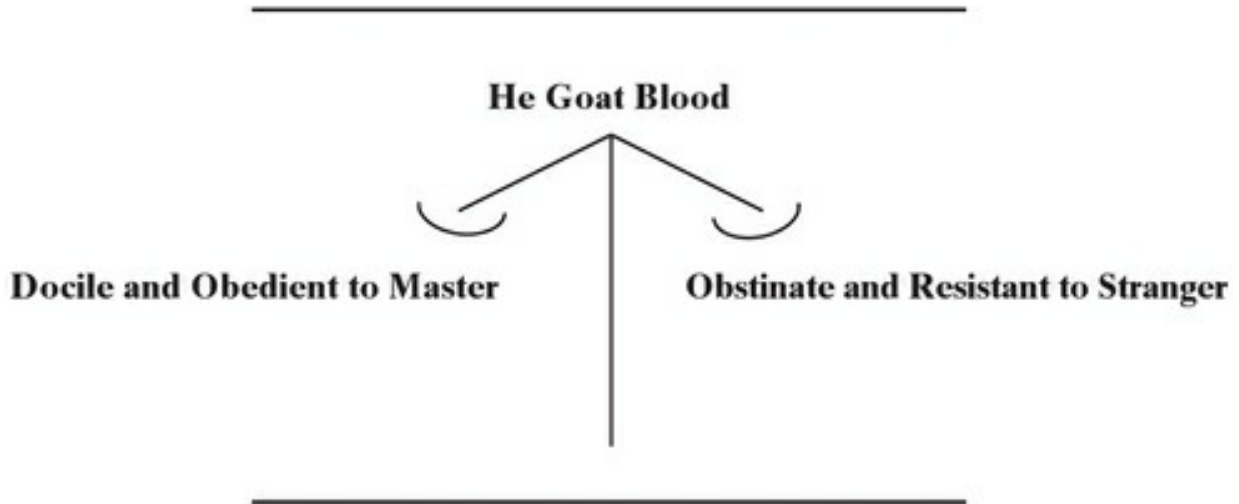
Because David became a penitent soul, he went to the LORD's House and offered the goat blood for the ignorance side of his sin. When people commit adultery, they either feel convicted and repent immediately, or they murder their conscience so that they can continue living pleasantly and comfortably in their sin.

Nathan resurrected David's conscience from the dead so that, by God's Living Truth, David could repent and bring the goat blood for a sin offering.

Kings had great responsibility to give conscientious care for all their words and works. The king, as a shepherd

over Israel, had to bring a he goat for his sins of ignorance.

The he goat is noted for its obstinacy and resistance to strangers, but it is docile and obedient to its master and owner.



The he goat is the leader of the flock. The wise man said that the he goat is beautiful in his going (Proverbs 30:31), whether he is leading the flock to pasture or whether he is walking up to the Sanctuary to give its life, as a leader, for another leader's sin of ignorance. His dauntless stare of obstinacy and resistance is intimidatingly frightening as he scrutinizes a stranger who would try to interfere with his leadership ministry. Indeed, the he goat is beautifully brave in his going!

The he goat blood fits together with the Sixth Commandment: "Thou shalt not kill." The highest degree of law breaking is that of murder. When a man's life has been destroyed, there is no way a creature can restore it. The *Torah*-Truth declares that one is a murderer when he deliberately slays another because of his enmity and hatred, killing him immediately, or when he kills him by lying in wait to attack him. Otherwise, killing someone was considered manslaughter, but the avenger of blood might kill the unintentional murderer if he overtook him before he reached the city of refuge.

There was no pardon for intentional physical murder. The city of refuge, and even the horns of the Altar, furnished no asylum, nor could money be given for satisfaction. Physical murder is one of the most odious and abominable crimes against life. However, when man, in his ignorance, broke God's Law and, thus, committed spiritual and mental murder of the Truth, God provided blood sacrifices so that He could forgive the sinner and repair and restore the Life of His *Torah*-Truth.

Chapter Eight

Female Kid Goat Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of Ignorance Of A Common Person

The seventh degree of Christ's Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the female kid goat blood, which fits together with the Seventh Commandment: "Thou shalt not commit adultery."

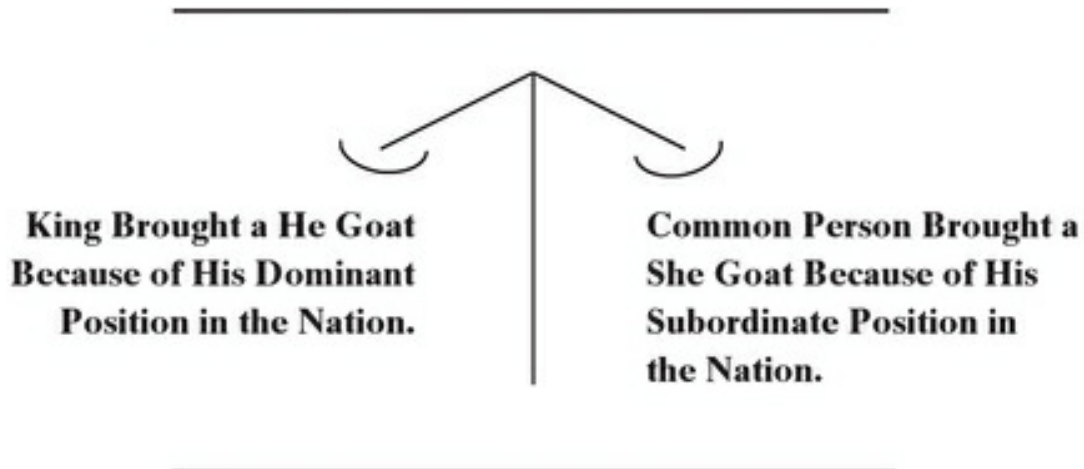
THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
7. Female Kid Goat Blood – Seventh Commandment: “Thou shalt not commit adultery.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:27,30).
6. Goat Blood – Sixth Commandment: “Thou shalt not kill.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Ruler (Leviticus 4:22,25).
5. Bullock Blood – Fifth Commandment: “Honour thy father and thy mother.” Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Whole Congregation (Leviticus 4:13,18).
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And if any one of the common people sin through ignorance, while he doeth *somewhat against* any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and be guilty; Or if his sin, which he hath sinned, come to his knowledge: then he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a female without blemish, for his sin which he hath sinned. And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay the sin offering in the place of the burnt offering. And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar (Leviticus 4:27-30).

These verses deal with a common, ordinary person who sins through careless ignorance and is, therefore, guilty of

breaking the LORD's Commandment.

This sin offering was exactly like the offering made by the king, except for the kind of animal that shed its blood. This teaches us that the highest person in leadership stands in the same place with the common person before God. All ground is equal for sinners at Calvary's Cross. The dissimilarity in the offerings is that a king had to bring a he goat; whereas, a common person had to bring a she goat.



The similarity is that they were both endeavoring to draw closer to the LORD by a blood sacrifice and repent of the ignorant errors they had committed in the LORD's Kingdom.

The Apostle Paul established the Truth that we are made nigh by Christ's Blood.

But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13).

Sinners are afar off from the Son of God, from the Heavenly Father, from the LORD's Promises, from the LORD's spiritual family, and from the LORD's Eternal Life and Hope.

God beholds proud sinners afar off from His Holy Presence, but through Christ's Eternal Atoning Blood, penitent sinners are brought nigh to God's Presence and Life. The realm of each person's social life makes no difference to God's moral demands that His *Torah*-Truth requires of us nor to the moral value that each person has in God's Eyes nor to the nearness to God that is to be gained and granted.

Jesus Christ's Blood is no respecter of persons. It saves and cleanses the highest penitent sinner (the king) or the lowest penitent sinner (the beggar). Both have to submit to the sharp circumcising stone of God's *Torah*-Truth.

All persons in God's Bridal Nation, both individually and collectively, had to acknowledge their responsibility to keep the fires of godliness alive in the nation through repentance and cleansing by the blood and by being doers of God's Moral Truth.

The root and foundation of all godly living is found in Christ's foundational Blood at the bottom of the Brazen Altar. All persons, both individually and collectively, find the fountainhead of happiness when their moral motive is to satisfy the LORD by being a doer of His Holy Word.

The she goat's blood for a sin offering was put on the horns of the Brazen Altar and poured at the bottom of the Altar as a solid foundation for cleansing for sins of ignorance. The blood on the horns of the Altar were a high witness that the small person can attain unto God's moral high calling for him in Christ Jesus.

The Seventh Commandment, which forbids adultery, fits with the she kid goat blood offering. Adultery is a common enemy to the highest king and to the lowest beggar. Adultery is the joining of a legally married person to someone who is not his or her spouse. The Hebrew word for adultery is *nawaf*, meaning to apostatize, to break wedlock.

The LORD God created Adam-male and Adam-female and put them in His paradisiacal Garden and, as their royal, spiritual Bridegroom, He gave them His Kingly Commands. However, Adam-female joined herself in an adulterous, idolatrous union, as it were, with the Serpent's words instead of remaining loyal and true to her royal Bridegroom, the King. Then, she enticed Adam-male to take on the same adulterous, idolatrous union with the Serpent's words. Consequently, the poor, sinful pair were cast out of the Garden, their Bridegroom's Home.

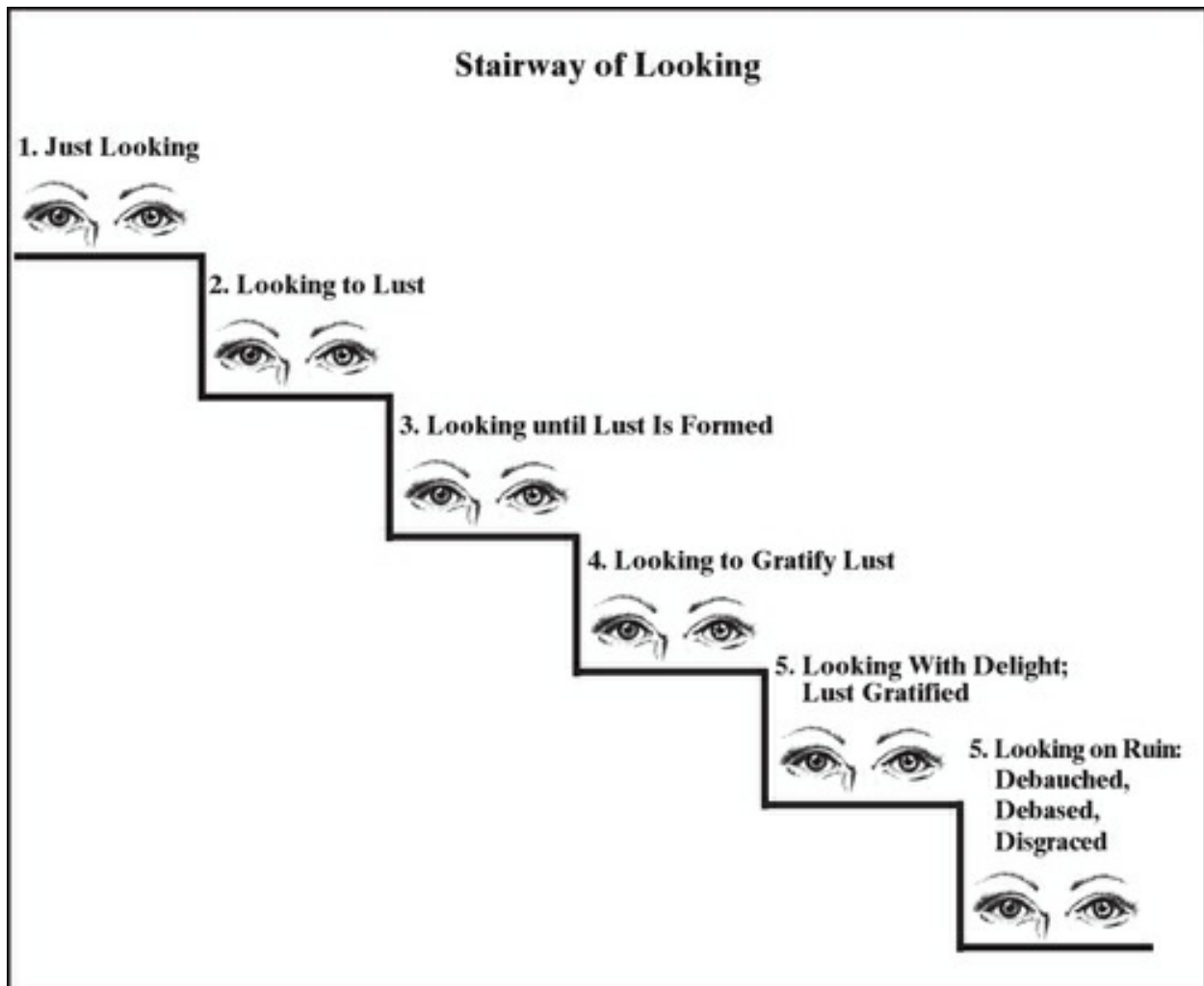
It is fitting, then, that the she-kid-goat blood should be offered for the poor, common person who has taken on

some adulterous, idolatrous image that has caused him or her to sin against the words of the LORD's *Torah*-Truth. The Written Law of *Torah*-Truth in stone forbade the act of physical adultery. But Jesus, the Living *Torah*-Truth in flesh, in His Spiritual Tabernacle of Moral Development, forbade adultery in even the thoughts of the heart.

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart (Matthew 5:27,28).

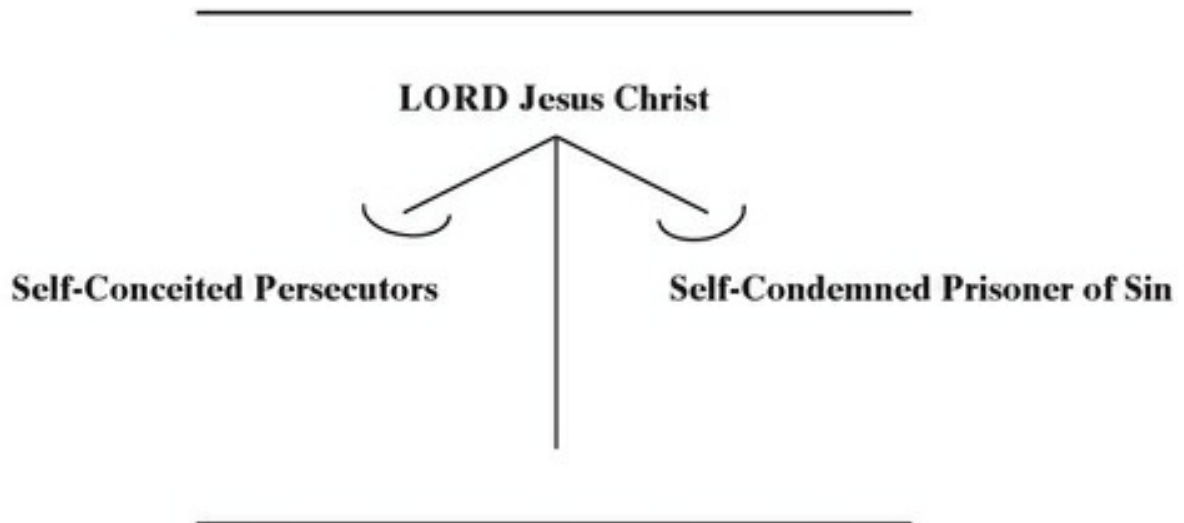
Jesus forbade a man to give his eyes to a woman to lust after her or to fasten or join his *worker* heart to her since this would cause him to commit adultery in his *worker* heart. When the *worker* mind or heart becomes debauched and defiled with idolatrous images, the conscience becomes baffled and biased so that it cannot stand up against sin. Hence, the *worker* heart prevails in its mischief.

Adam-female is a classic example of one who took the "stairway of looking" until she stole the forbidden Fruit and ate it.



Once, as Jesus was sitting down in the temple teaching the people, the scribes and Pharisees brought to Him a poor woman who had been taken in adultery. Their motive was to see if Jesus would support the Written Law that said an adulterous person should be stoned by holy, godly persons. So Jesus spoke to them, saying, "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her" (John 8:7).

Christ, the Living *Torah* of Truth, the Eternal, Holy Rock of Truth, cast His convicting words of stone, smiting their hearts with conviction and calling to their remembrance the adulterous thoughts of their hearts. Consequently, they all laid down their stones and left. Then, Jesus forgave the woman and commanded her to go and sin no more. Thus, Jesus dealt with self-conceited persecutors and a self-condemned prisoner of sin.



The self-conceited persecutors had afflicted and harassed the poor sinner woman, cruelly, as they endeavored to injure her with stones, even though they, too, were guilty of some form of adultery in their hearts. Jesus' sharp stones of Truth that were hurled at their hearts caused them to flee in fright from Christ Jesus, the Holy One. Jesus, the Just Judge, executed His Holy Judgment on their adulterous self-conceit.

Jesus also forgave the self-condemned sinner woman because He was carrying the Female Kid Goat Blood in His Veins for just that purpose. She had no reason to appeal to a higher court since Christ is the eternal Refuge for penitent sinners. Jesus Christ is infinitely Merciful and Gracious to forgive and save sinners since, in His infinite, divine Love, He died for them.

The woman addressed Jesus, her Benefactor, as Lord, Master, and Owner. When we accept Jesus' forgiveness of sins, we immediately take on a new Master and Owner. Jesus is the Master over sin. Therefore, He is our new Owner, with a right to command us to go and sin no more.

Chapter Nine

Female Lamb Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of Ignorance Of A Common Person

The eighth degree of Christ's Sin Offer'ing Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the female lamb blood, which fits together with the Eighth Commandment: "Thou shalt not steal."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
8. Female Lamb Blood—Eighth Commandment: "Thou shalt not steal." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:32-34).
7. Female Kid Goat Blood—Seventh Commandment: "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:27,30).
6. Goat Blood—Sixth Commandment: "Thou shalt not kill." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Ruler (Leviticus 4:22,25).
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And if he bring a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish. And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering. And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:

(Leviticus 4:32-34).

If a common person sinned ignorantly, he was to bring a female lamb as an offering so that its blood could cover his sins. The Hebrew word for *lamb* in this verse is *kehbes*, which means to dominate, old enough to butt. *Kehbes* has the same root letters as *kawbash*, which means to tread down, conquer, to subjugate, to bring into bondage, to force, to keep under, to subdue, to bring into subjection.

The Eighth Commandment forbids us to steal. In the Old Testament, the blood of the female lamb, at the bottom of the Brazen Altar, was powerful to subdue and forcefully overcome all desire to break God's Law in all forms, even stealing. Christ's Female Lamb's Blood overcomes all forms of stealing.

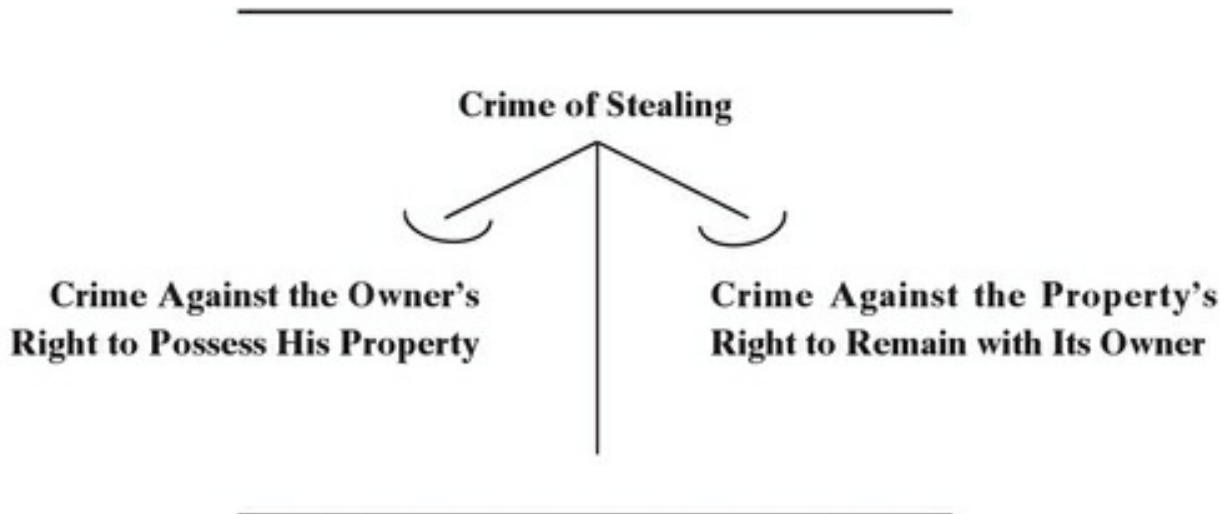
The Hebrew word for *steal* is *gawnab*, meaning to thief, to deceive, to carry away, secretly bring away. There are different forms of stealing, such as the following:

1. Stealing of Property

The *Torah*-Truth forbade the stealing of another person's possession, such as sheep or oxen.

If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep (Exodus 22:1).

Stealing is secretly taking away someone else's possessions. Theft is a double crime. It is crime against the owner's right to possess his property, and it is a crime against the property's right to remain with the owner.



Because of the double implication in the crime of stealing, the thief had to restore double in the case of sheep, and more than double in the case of oxen.

2. Stealing of Persons

The *Torah*-Truth forbade an Israelite to sell his brother, yet Joseph was stolen and sold as a slave into Egypt.

For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon (Genesis 40:15).

While he was in Egypt, Joseph confessed that he had been stolen out of the land of the Hebrews. The world understood that the Land of Canaan already belonged to the Hebrews.

We may think that we never would steal a person. But how many parents steal their children from the LORD by offering them all kinds of worldly things that prevent them from serving the LORD? How many pastors steal the hearts of the people, leading people to revolve around them instead of revolving around the LORD?

Absalom, David's son, is a classic example of a "heart stealer."

And it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him chariots and horses, and fifty men to run before him. **And Absalom rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate:** and it was so, that when any man that had a controversy came to the king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said, Of what city *art* thou? And he said, Thy servant *is* of one of the tribes of Israel. And Absalom said unto him, See, thy matters *are* good and right; but *there is* no man *deputed* of the king to hear thee. **Absalom said moreover, Oh that I were made judge in the land,** that every man which hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and I would do him justice! **And it was so, that when any man came nigh to him to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and kissed him. And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment: so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel** (II Samuel 15:1-6).

Absalom promoted his secret purpose of stealing his father's throne by first stealing the people's hearts. He flattered each person who came to him. He flattered them with his words, "No man cares about your cause as I do," he would say. He flattered them by putting out his princely hand as though everyone were a friend. And he flattered them by kissing each one, as though they were special to him. Thus, by flattery, he stole the hearts of his father's subjects.

Absalom stole the affection, understanding, and loyalties of King David's subjects; however, he paid a supreme price for his stealing, for he lost his own life, right in the midst of his own evil plotting.

3. Stealing of God's Word

Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that steal my words every one from his neighbour. Behold, I *am* against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He saith. Behold, I *am* against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD (Jeremiah 23:30-32).

These "proven stealers" in Jeremiah's day repeated God's inspired Word from His true Prophets, but they spoke them with great variations, as though these words were their own prophecies so that they could appear to be great prophets.

Anytime we take, as our own words, the revealed Words from God's true servants and change them to suit ourselves so that we can look great, we are deceitful thieves! This kind of "proud stealer" is frivolous, foolish, lightheaded, and irresponsible. This person's fleshly personality is far from the mature, able, sober, and responsible spirit of a true Prophet who has given his life to draw close to the LORD in order to hear His inspired Words.

4. Stealing of Substance that One Should Give to Those Who Are in Need

Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth (Ephesians 4:28).

The Apostle Paul besought the Christians of Ephesus to cease all stealing by force or by fraud. We must not only cease from stealing, but we must labor for ourselves in order to supply our own needs, and we must labor for others to help them meet their needs.

We must labor to meet our own needs so that we can live honestly. And we must labor to store up extra so that we can have something to distribute to others and, thus, help to supply their needs. We must be charitable to those who are unable to work and to those who are poor. We must share with others, even if it is only a mite.

5. Stealing of God's Tithes and Offerings

Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. *Ye are* cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, *even* this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that *there shall not be room enough to receive it* (Malachi 3:8-10).

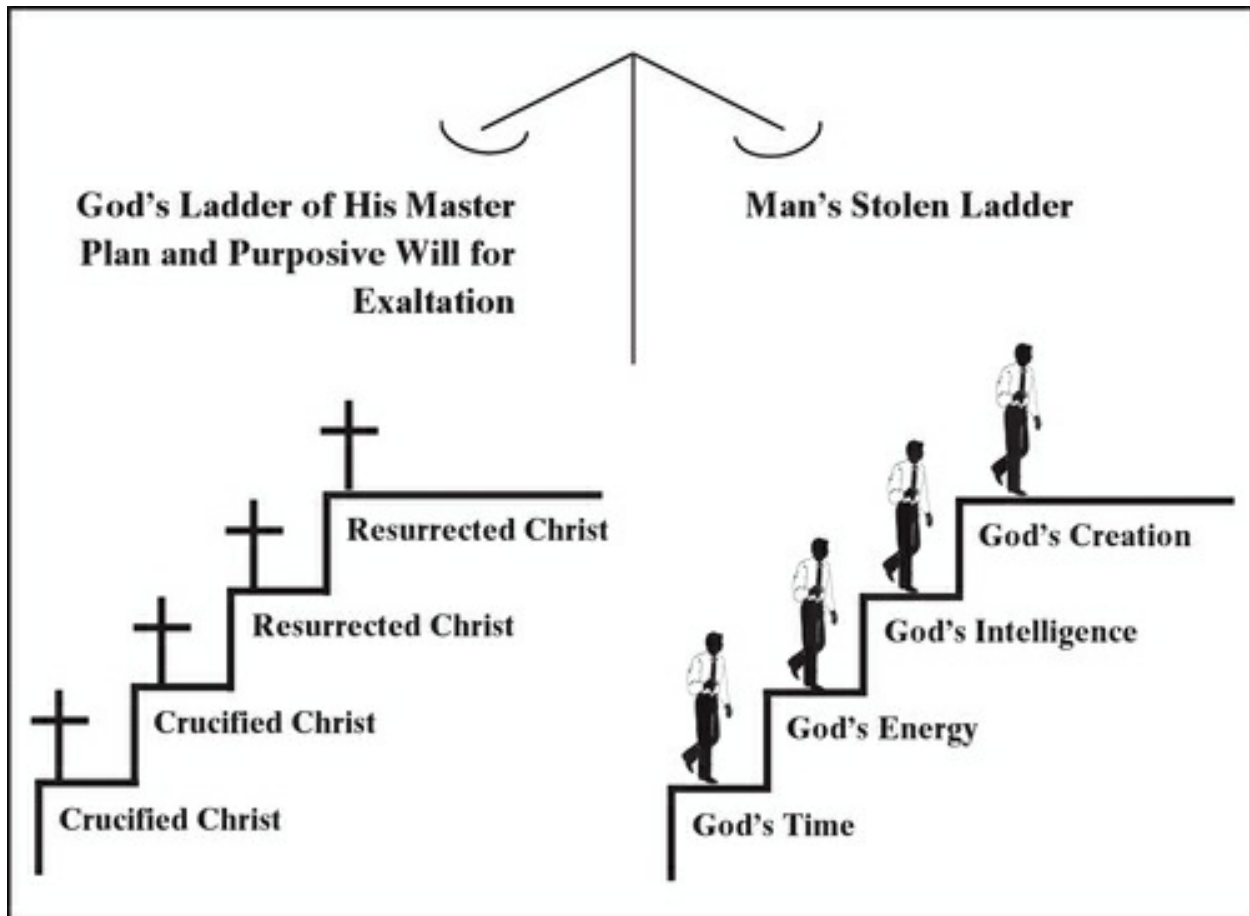
God's people can be thieves and robbers by keeping God's tithes and offerings and using them for themselves. When God's people withhold their tithes and offerings from God's ministers, God sees this as robbing Him.

This kind of dishonesty and fraudulent practice brings God's curse on all aspects of a person's endeavors. When God lets the land suffer drought, for instance, it produces poor crops, so God punishes the person for his theft of God's substance that would be used to support His Kingdom. God also sends plagues of locusts when people do not

pay their tithes and offerings to Him. But when God's people pay their tithes and offerings and stop stealing from Him, He opens the windows of Heaven and rebukes the devourer. God opens the windows of Heaven, giving rain on the land so that the drought ceases. God also rebukes the devourer by killing the locusts that destroy the crops that survive the drought.

6. Stealing by Trying to Be Exalted Another Way that Is Apart from the Father's Master Plan and Purposive Will

Christians often try to exalt themselves and their works by stealing God's Creation in some way in their attempt to create a ladder on which to ascend to higher planes, while rejecting God's true Ladder of the Crucified Way; therefore, they are thieves and robbers.



When man exalts himself, apart from the LORD, he uses all of God's gifts to promote himself. But he that exalteth himself shall be abased (Luke 14:11).

7. Stealing God's Purpose in His House, the Church

And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves, **And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.** (Matthew 21:12,13).

Stealing God's Purpose in His own House is a common, ignorant sin of God's children. This ignorant crime is committed when they steal prayer time from God, making it a time to visit, carnally, in an effort to satisfy their own creature-souls with carnal creature-fellowship instead of praying to their Creator.

Some of God's people are always tardy in arriving at church. They feel very comfortable about this because they always escape the responsibility of doing collective praying. They are spiritually ignorant and unaware that they just stole God's prayer time and used it for themselves. They made merchandise out of God's prayer time.

Other more self-deceived souls arrive at God's House on time, but after giving God just part of His prayer time, they jump up and steal the rest of His time by roaming the church to find someone with whom they can talk. So they not only steal some of God's prayer time, but they also cause others to steal. "Thou shalt not steal" is not a small Commandment. It is to be practiced in every phase of our lives.

Christ's Female Lamb Blood at the bottom of the Brazen Altar desires to cleanse us from our ignorant crime of stealing and to clothe us with Christ's Holy Obedience so that we can be a doer of God's Word, not deceiving our own selves.

Chapter Ten

Turtledove Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of Ignorance In Hearing And Touching And Swearing

The ninth degree of Christ's Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the turtledove blood, which fits together with the Ninth Commandment: "Thou shalt not bear false witness."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
9. Turtledove Blood—Ninth Commandment: "Thou shalt not bear false witness." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance in Hearing and Touching and Swearing (Leviticus 5:1-4,7-9).
8. Female Lamb Blood—Eighth Commandment: "Thou shalt not steal." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:32-34).
7. Female Kid Goat Blood—Seventh Commandment: "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:27,30).
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And if a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing, and is a witness, whether he hath seen or known *of it*; if he do not utter *it*, then he shall bear his iniquity. Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether *it be* a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and *if it be* hidden from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty. Or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatsoever uncleanness *it be* that a man shall be defiled withal, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty. Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with *his lips* to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever *it be* that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty in one of these... And if he be not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring for his trespass, which he hath committed, two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, unto the LORD; one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering. And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer *that* which *is* for the sin offering first, and wring off his head from his neck, but shall not divide *it* asunder: And he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and the rest of the blood shall be wrung out at the bottom of the altar: *it is* a sin offering (Leviticus 5:1-4,7-9).

The offenses mentioned in these verses fall into three different categories:

1. If a soul were to *hear* an oath (swearing) to tell the Truth about a situation or a person, he was not to stifle the Truth. Although he may not have seen the incident nor known about it at the time, he may have heard something, and he had to be a faithful witness, even if it incriminated his best friend.
2. If a soul were to *touch* anything ceremonially unclean, he was made unclean, and before coming into God's Sanctuary that soul had to bring his sin offering when he was made aware of his guilt.
3. If a soul were to make a rash swearing (make an oath) in his ignorance, he had to make an atonement when he was made aware of his ignorant vow. For example, David swore to kill Nabal, but Abigail brought truth to David, thus preventing him from fulfilling his rash vow.

In these cases, the ignorant offender had to confess his sinful guilt when he was made aware of it, and he had to bring his sin offering for his ignorant guilt to God's Sanctuary. The offender had to come with a penitential confession and with a humble prayer to the LORD for pardon. The offender had to confess in detail: "[H]e shall confess that he hath sinned in ***that thing***" (Leviticus 5:5).

General confession does not reach God's Ears. Since we all are sinners, there is no special reproach in saying, "I have sinned," for this leaves us in the collective group of sinners. But if we humbly say, "I have sinned in *that thing*," we become a conspicuous, individual sinner, and this entitles us to use the special confession of *that thing*—whatever it may be.

When we are individually guilty, we cannot say we *all* did it. Trying to hide under the collective sinful umbrella of the human race is bearing false witness. Therefore, Christ's individual Turtledove Blood cannot be applied to our souls to bring atoning remedy and relief until we individually confess *that thing*.

God provided turtledove blood for the poor and lowly so that their consciences could be purified from guilt. Thus, no man's poverty prevents him from receiving pardon. God knows that man's whole future existence is threatened by sin. When sinful people come to claim Christ's Blood, they clearly must realize that sin has rendered their whole existence desolate. Christ's Turtledove-Love Blood is able to cleanse our souls and bring them intimately near to Him.

The Hebrew word for *turtledove* is *tore*, meaning endearment and turning, rows, borders. The Father greatly loves, values, and highly esteems the LORD's Turtledove Blood.

Christ's Bride will have this Turtledove Blood in her growth in His Spiritual Stature. The Bride's first experience with the Turtledove-Love Blood is seen in the rows of jewels on her cheeks.

Thy cheeks are comely with rows of jewels, thy neck with chains of gold (Song of Solomon 1:10).

The Hebrew word for *rows*, in this instance, is the same for turtledove. The espoused Bride, through her King of Humility, had learned to confess *that ignorant thing* that prevented her from growing in Christ's Stature. Her "love rows" of jewels on her cheeks bore witness of her secret, individual confessions of sins and her use of the Turtledove-Love Blood.

Likewise, the Bride's borders (*tore*) of gold also bore witness that her ears had been crowned with Christ's Golden Wisdom as a reward for her ears hearing her espoused Bridegroom's knowledge of her ignorant errors that she had taken to His Turtledove-Love Blood to be purified and cleansed. The Bride's cheeks and ears were faithful witnesses of her espoused Bridegroom's Work of Redemptive Love as the King of Humility.

After Christ, the King of Humility, had ministered to His espoused Bride with His Turtledove Blood on her cheeks and in her ears, He led her on to know Him as her Shepherd. During her experience with her espoused Bridegroom as a Shepherd, the Voice of Christ's resurrected Turtledove Blood was heard in their land. This makes the third witness of the Dove or Love Blood of Christ in His espoused Bride.

The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, **and the voice of the turtle [dove] is heard in our land;** (Song of Solomon 2:12).

Christ's cleansing Dove Blood drives away the winter season, with its darkness and desolation, and brings in the beauty and joy of springtime. The flowers appear, signifying beauty. The singing of birds is heard, depicting joy. The voice of the turtledove is heard, declaring great joy!

If the espoused Bride never had known Christ as the King of Humility and as the Shepherd, she never could have come to know Him as a Roe on Mount Bethel and, ultimately, as her Husbandman.

Christ's Turtledove Blood is for the poor in spirit who will grow up in His Spiritual Stature and become His Spouse-Bride. Christ's Bride will carry a true, clear threefold witness of the Power and Love of Christ's Turtledove Blood to purify and cleanse the soul so that it can mature in Christ's Stature.

The Bride bore witness not only of Christ's Turtledove-Love Blood, but she also bore witness of the LORD's good Name by saying, "Thy name is as ointment poured forth."

The LORD's Holy Name is most precious; it is an Ointment and Perfume that rejoices the heart, making it glad and joyful. The pouring forth of the LORD's Holy Name in praise fills the house with the sweet odors of its Perfume.

If we bear good witness of our LORD's Holy Name, we will not bear false witness against our neighbor's good name! The Hebrew word for *neighbor* is *rayah*, meaning companion, friend, husband, and brother. If we speak falsely against our neighbor's name, we can destroy his reputation. We cannot pour forth our LORD's Name in praise and slander our brother at the same time. Job bore false witness against the LORD's Just Name in a vain endeavor to make himself righteous and God unrighteous.

Thanks be unto the LORD for His unspeakable Gift, the LORD Jesus Christ, and His Turtledove Blood that can cleanse us of all our ignorant hearing, touching, and swearing and speaking about things we know nothing about. Job ultimately humbled himself and confessed *that thing* of which he was guilty, which was bearing false witness against the LORD by accusing His Holy Name of being unjust and unfair. Job confessed the sins of his mouth, saying that he had talked about things he knew nothing about, things he was ignorant about. "[T]herefore have **I uttered that I understood not**; things too wonderful for me, **which I knew not**" (Job 42:3). After Job's humble confession, God blessed Job with twice the amount of things he had had before.

Chapter Eleven

Pigeon Blood—Sin Offering For The Sins Of Ignorance In Hearing And Touching And Swearing

The tenth and last degree of Christ's Sin Offering Blood on and under the Brazen Altar is pictured by the pigeon blood, which fits together with the Tenth Commandment: "Thou shalt not covet."

THE TEN DEGREES OF SIN OFFERING BLOOD UNDER THE ALTAR
10. Pigeon Blood—Tenth Commandment: "Thou shalt not covet." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance in Hearing and Touching and Swearing (Leviticus 5:1-9).
9. Turtledove Blood—Ninth Commandment: "Thou shalt not bear false witness." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance in Hearing and Touching and Swearing (Leviticus 5:1-4,7-9).
8. Female Lamb Blood—Eighth Commandment: "Thou shalt not steal." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:32-34).
7. Female Kid Goat Blood—Seventh Commandment: "Thou shalt not commit adultery." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of a Common Person (Leviticus 4:27,30).
6. Goat Blood—Sixth Commandment: "Thou shalt not kill." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Ruler (Leviticus 4:22,25).
5. Bullock Blood—Fifth Commandment: "Honour thy father and thy mother." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Whole Congregation (Leviticus 4:13,18).
4. Bullock Blood—Fourth Commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Sin Offering for Sins of Ignorance of the Priesthood (Leviticus 4:3-7).
3. Kid Goat Blood—Third Commandment: "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain." Sin Offering for Sins of the People (Leviticus 9:15).
2. Calf Blood—Second Commandment: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." Sin Offering for Aaron Himself (Leviticus 9:8,9).
1. Bullock Blood—First Commandment: "I am the LORD thy God." Sin Offering for Consecration of Aaron and His Sons (Exodus 29:4-14)

And if a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing, and is a witness, whether he hath seen or known of it; if he do not utter it, then he shall bear his iniquity. Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether it be a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and if it be hidden from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty. Or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatsoever uncleanness it be that a man shall be defiled withal, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty. Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with his lips to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever it be that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid from him;

when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty in one of these. **And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these things, that he shall confess that he hath sinned in that thing:** And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD for his sin which he hath sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a kid of the goats, for a sin offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his sin. **And if he be not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring for his trespass, which he hath committed, two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, unto the LORD; one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering. And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer that which is for the sin offering first, and wring off his head from his neck, but shall not divide it asunder: And he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and the rest of the blood shall be wrung out at the bottom of the altar: it is a sin offering** (Leviticus 5:1-9).

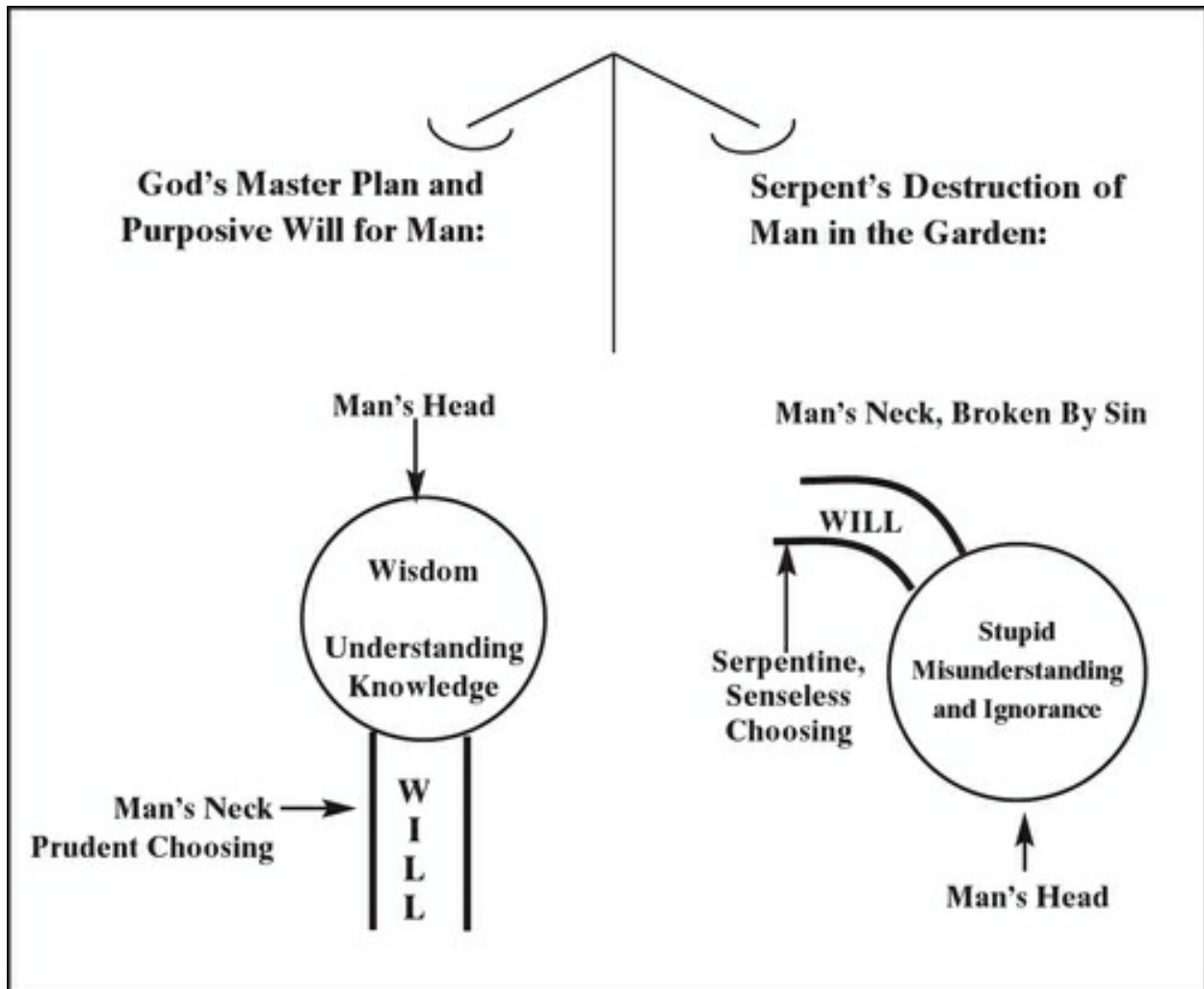
The sin offering of the pigeon blood was used for the same sins of hearing and touching and swearing and was treated in the same way at the Brazen Altar as the turtledove offering. The difference was that the pigeon blood was for the poorest people, those who could afford no other blood sacrifice.

Since all Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable, every small detail in God's divinely inspired Word teaches us Principles of Truth through its shadows, types, analogies, similitudes, allegories, metaphors, and pictures. Everything in God's Word presents His Moral Principles of Truth so that we can be enlightened and understand our moral high calling in Christ Jesus. The treatment of the doves' and pigeons' blood is no exception.

Two doves or pigeons were brought to the officiating Priest who used one for a sin offering and the other for a whole burnt offering. The Priest had to wring the bird's neck in order to kill it, but he did not completely divide the head from the body. The pinching or breaking of the neck left the bird's head dangling but still attached to its body. The Hebrew word for *wring* is *mawlak*, meaning to crack a joint, to pinch a bird's neck with the fingernail, to be killed by pinching. The many painful sacrifices of blood in the Old Testament picture the dreadful pain of man's sin that breaks and destroys God's *Torah*-Truth. It also pictures the awesome, painful sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross. He not only took our place on the Cross, but He also provided His Eternal Blood to put away sin, once and for all.

After the Priest had sacrificed the first pigeon by breaking its neck, but not completely severing its head, he wrung out its blood at the bottom of the Altar. The Hebrew word for *wrung* is *mawtsaw*, meaning to drain, squeeze, pour out the blood at the bottom of the Altar.

The sacrifice's broken neck represents man's will that has been broken by sin so that he has no prudent will to serve God. And his head, which God created so that it might be filled with the Wisdom, Understanding, and Knowledge of His Holy Name, is left dead, dangling, and destroyed, as far as God's Holy Plan and Purpose is concerned.



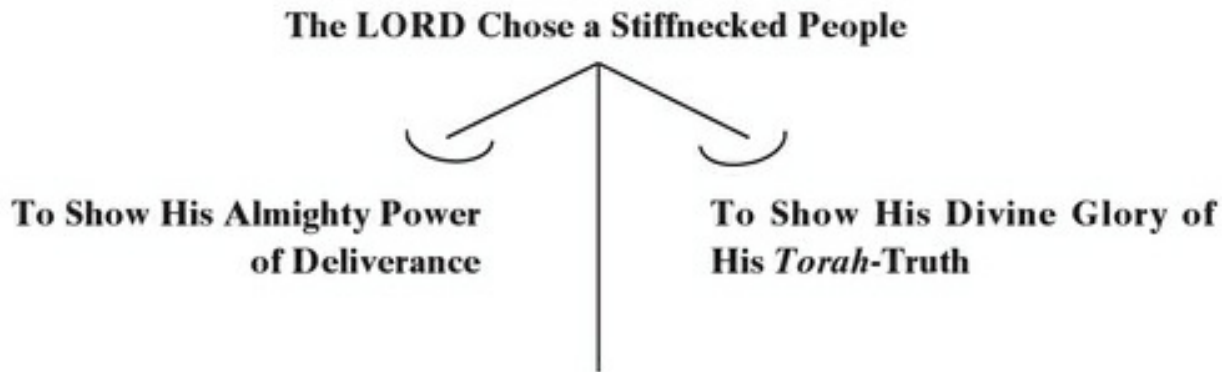
With his head dangling and in a destroyed condition, mankind needed a remedy for and relief from his helpless, poverty-stricken condition. He needed someone to mend the broken neck of his will and to cleanse the stupid misunderstanding and ignorance of his head.

Because of His Love, the Merciful, Gracious LORD God, the Heavenly Father, provided a remedy and relief for mankind through His beloved only Begotten Son, the LORD Jesus Christ, Who poured out His precious Blood on the Cross to mend the neck of man's will and his broken, dangling head.

We see the condition of His people's neck when the LORD told Moses that Israel was a stiffnecked people.

And the LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people: (Exodus 32:9).

The Hebrew word for *stiff* is *kawsheh*, meaning severe, churlish, cruel, grievous, hardhearted, impudent, obstinate, stubborn. God chose the most obstinate, impudent nation on the earth to receive the revelation of His Almighty Power of Deliverance and His revelation of the Divinity of His *Torah-Truth*.



The LORD God, by His Almighty Power, delivered Israel out of Egypt, and by His Divine Glory, He revealed His *Torah*-Truth to Israel in the wilderness. The LORD God will not cease working with Israel, the most stiffnecked of nations, until He has shown them the wonderful educational power of deliverance from her stiff-necked condition and has revealed to her the Glory of His *Torah*-Truth in Mercy, Grace, and Forgiveness. Thus, the LORD God will work His miraculous spiritual education in the hearts of the Jewish nation, accomplishing His Work in the hardest of all people, until they truly know that He, the LORD God, is their Owner, Master, and Bridegroom.

The poorest in spirit are the only ones who will climb the spiritual ladder of Blood in the foundation to lay hold of the Dove Blood and Pigeon Blood that will wash away the obstinacy and impudence of the midnight will that refuses to give witness that the LORD has freed us from the Law of Sin and Death, cleansed our hearts, and provided the Ink of His Blood whereby the Law can be written in our hearts and minds so that we, too, can be doers of the *Torah*-Truth.

After offering, on the Brazen Altar, the first pigeon with its sin offering blood, the Priest offered the other one for a whole burnt offering to the LORD. The sin offering blood of the pigeon fits with the Tenth Commandment: "Thou shalt not covet."

The Hebrew word for *covet* is *khawmad*, meaning to delight in, greatly beloved, delectable thing, desire, goodly, pleasant thing, precious thing. God gave man this spiritual, divine desire so that man could love and desire Him, His Truth, and His Holy Name. Before man's holy desire went astray in sin and became covetous, it was holy and wholly for the LORD, His Truth, and His Name. However, since man's sin turned his holy desire away from God, he uses this beautiful holy desire to covet or desire the Creation instead of his Creator. Man's *holy desire* (*khawmad*) was turned to sinful *covetousness* or *lust*. This is evident because, once Adam-female received the Serpent's words into her will, she saw the forbidden Tree of Knowledge of Death as one to be desired (*khawmad*), coveted, or lusted after (Genesis 3:6).

God's Word says that the scorner delights (*khawmad*) or lusts after more scorning (Proverbs 1:22), and the wicked lusts or desires (*khawmad*) the stronghold of evil men's riches, thinking they are a secure refuge (Proverbs 12:12). Backslidden Israel delighted (*khawmad*) or lusted after the oaks of idolatry (Isaiah 1:29).

This desire (*khawmad*), with its extension of *khemdaw*, is used in the Word of God to express the Name or Nature of God's only Begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

And I will shake all nations, and the desire [*khemdaw*] of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts (Haggai 2:7).

In this Scripture, Christ is called the *Desire* of all nations. Christ is the Desire, the *khemdaw* of all nations, meaning the Delight and Pleasure of all nations. *Khemdaw* is the feminine extension of the primary Hebrew root word *khawmad*. During the Millennial Reign of the LORD Jesus Christ on Earth, all nations will come up to Jerusalem to worship Him and learn of His *Torah*.

The Psalmist declared that the LORD's Fear and Judgments are more to be desired (*khawmad*) than fine gold.

The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: **the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired**

[khawmad] are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb (Psalm 19:9,10).

The spiritual wealth of the LORD's Eternal Truth is infinitely superior to earthly gold. It is sweeter than honey because it gives eternal, joyful satisfaction.

The desirable Treasure in the house of the wise is the LORD Jesus Christ.

There is treasure to be desired [khawmad] and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up (Proverbs 21:20).

Christ is the Wisdom of God, and in His House is His Stature of Truth, a precious Treasure to be desired. Christ's Treasure of Truth is also filled and anointed with the Oil of the Holy Ghost.

The espoused Bride in the Song of Solomon discovered this Stature or Tree of Truth and chose to sit down with great delight under its shadow.

As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight [khawmad], and his fruit was sweet to my taste (Song of Solomon 2:3).

The Hebrew text really reads that the espoused Bride delighted in her Bridegroom; then, she sat down under the Tree of Truth. When our delight is in Christ Jesus, we always are willing to sit down.

The LORD Jesus Christ's Pigeon Blood, the tenth degree of His Blood on and under the Altar, can cleanse and sanctify our lustful desires and return them to His original "Christ Desire" because His Pigeon Blood for a Sin Offering fits together with the Tenth Commandment, "Thou shalt not covet." Then, when we are cleansed, our desire will be for the Tree of Life, the Stature of Christ Jesus, and we can grow up in Him and become His Bride.

Thus, we have seen the ten degrees or layers of blood that were poured at the bottom of the Altar for four different classes of people: (1) the Priesthood; (2) the common people collectively; (3) the rulers; and (4) common individuals.

As believers in Christ Jesus, we fit into each of these four different categories.

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: (I Peter 2:9).

We have been made priests, royal rulers, a common nation, and a peculiar people of common individuals to show forth the LORD's praise. As we journey upward and onward in Christ's Spiritual Stature, we need more and more of Christ's precious Blood with every breathing moment of our lives. The more we repent of our darkness and allow Christ's precious Blood to cleanse us, the greater our praises will be for His marvelous Light!

Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable Gift of our LORD Jesus Christ and His precious Sin Offering Blood! We can be cleansed from all the sin that has broken His Laws, and we can have the joy and peace of having all our desire centered in His precious Name, LORD God, and in all His Nature of Mercy, Graciousness, Long-suffering, Goodness, Truth, Bountifulness, Forgiveness, and Justice.

