



Restoring the hearts of the fathers to the children

Sounds Like an Eight Cylinder Hittin' On Three

But the nature of the incarnation will render unnecessary any inquiry into the soul of Christ. For as He truly possessed flesh, so also He truly possessed a soul. It is difficult indeed both to feel and to state how that which is called in Scripture the soul of God is to be understood; for we acknowledge that nature to be simple, and without any intermixture or addition. In whatever way, however, it is to be understood, it seems, meanwhile, to be named the soul of God; whereas regarding Christ there is no doubt.

And therefore there seems to me no absurdity in either understanding or asserting some such thing regarding the holy angels and the other heavenly powers, since that definition of soul appears applicable also to them. For who can rationally deny that they are "sensible and moveable?" But if that definition appear to be correct, according to which a soul is said to be a substance rationally "sensible and moveable," the same definition would seem also to apply to angels. For what else is in them than rational feeling and motion? Now those beings who are comprehended under the same definition have undoubtedly the same substance.

Paul indeed intimates that there is a kind of animal-man who, he says, cannot receive the things of the Spirit of God, but declares that the doctrine of the Holy Spirit seems to him foolish, and that he cannot understand what is to be spiritually discerned. In another passage he says it is sown an animal body, and arises a spiritual body, pointing out that in the resurrection of the just there will be nothing of an animal nature. And therefore we inquire whether there happen to be any substance which, in respect of its being *anima*, is imperfect.

But whether it be imperfect because it falls away from perfection, or because it was so created by God, will form the subject of inquiry when each individual topic shall begin to be discussed in order. For if the animal man

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A Note From the Editor

I have received questions from many of you asking about the current COVID-19 pandemic. I have asked Larry to respond to a few of your questions in this column and provide his perspective on the events and conditions we are currently facing. As it stands today (April 1, 2020), the US has lost nearly 5000 to the coronavirus, citizens are under a shelter-in-place order, there is a worldwide shortage of various food items and paper goods, all but essential businesses are closed, hospitals are experiencing shortages of beds and protective gear, Wall Street is experiencing volatility we have not seen in our lifetimes, and Congress has approved a \$2.2 trillion Relief Package to keep the economy from collapsing.

Question

During this time of uncertainty due to a virus that is, in many cases, life-threatening, I try to not fear death but rather to keep the proper mindset. My daily struggle is to keep the Teaching in mind, remember to be excited about all that God is doing. But I want to make sure I have the proper attitude. Any encouragement on this is welcomed because what better time could there be to set our minds on the things above—the Teaching and the promise of God.

Response

I have no better response than “*The Way*” that Jesus responded to His disciples when they asked Him to describe our time:

¹⁰[At that time], [He began telling] [them]: “[Nation] [will rise up] [against] [Nation]; [and] [Kingdom], [against] [Kingdom]. ¹¹[And then] [there will be] [tremendous] [Earthquakes] [and] [Famines] [and] [Epidemics] [in various] [Places], [and then] [there will be] [Frightening Things*] [and] [tremendous] [Signs] [from] [Heaven].

¹²[But] [before] [all] [These Things], [they will put] [their] [Hands] [on] [you] [and] [persecute {you}], [handing {you} over] [to] [The] [Synagogues] [and] [Guard Houses], [leading {you} away] [before] [Kings] [and] [Esteemed Leaders] [on account] [of] [My] [Name]. ¹³[It will turn out] [as] [a Testimony] [to you]; ¹⁴[therefore], [put {it} down] [in] [your] [Hearts] [not] [to think beforehand about*] [presenting a defense]. ¹⁵[For] [I] [will give] [you] [a Mouth] [and] [Wisdom] [that] [all] [who] [are opposed] [to you] [will] [not] [be able] [to withstand] [or] [refute]. ¹⁶[But then] [you will] [even] [be handed over] [by] [Parents] [and] [Brothers] [and] [Relatives] [and] [Friends], [and] [they will put] [some] [of you] [to death]. ¹⁷[And] [you will be] [hated] [by] [everyone] [because of] [My] [Name], ¹⁸[yet] [a Hair] [of] [your] [Head] [will] [definitely not] [be done away with]. ¹⁹[You must acquire] [your] [Souls] [by] [your] [Perseverance].

²⁰[So then], [when] [you see] [Jerusalem] [being encircled] [by] [Army Camps*], [at that time] [you should know] [that] [her] [Desolation] [has

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drawn near]. ²¹[At that time], [those who are] [in] [Judea] [must flee] [into] [The] [Mountains]; [and] [those who are] [in] [her] [Midst] [must get out*]; [and] [those who are] [in] [The] [Rural Areas] [must] [not] come in] [to] [her], ²²[because] [These] [are] [{the} Days] [of an Act of Vengeance], [so that] [all] [the things that] [have been written] [are fulfilled].

²³[Woe] [to those who] [have] [a Baby] [in] their Tummy] [and] [those who] [are nursing] [in] [Those] [Days]! [For] [there will be] [an [intense] Pressing Need] [on] [The] [Earth], [and] [Anger] [at This] [People]. ²⁴[And] [they will fall] [by {the} Blade] [of a Sword] [and] [be made prisoners of war] [in] [all] [The] [Nations], [and] [Jerusalem] [will be] [trampled] [by] [Gentiles] [up to the time] [when] [{the} Times] [of Gentiles] [are fully complete].

²⁵[And] [there will be] [Signs] [in] [{the} Sun] [and] [Moon] [and] [Stars]; [and] [on] [The] [Earth], [an Apprehension] [of Nations] [in] [Bewilderment*] [at a Report] [of {the} Sea] [and] [{the} Surge of the Sea*], ²⁶[while] [Men] are fainting*] [because] [of Fear] [and] [Expectation] [of the things that] [are coming upon] [The] [Civilized World]. [For] [The] [Supernatural Powers] [of The] [Heavens] [will be shaken].

²⁷[And] [at that time], [they will see] [The] [Son] [of The] [Man], [coming back] [in] [a Cloud] [with] [Supernatural Power] [and] [a Lot] [of Glory]. ²⁸[But] [when [These Things] begin] [to occur], [straighten up] [and] [lift up] [your] [Heads], [because] [your] [Emancipation] [is drawing near].”

(Luke 21:10–28) —HSSB

Question

In light of the coronavirus and the other things to come, as True Believers go through perilous times trusting God, where does He draw the line between trusting and testing?

Response

I find it interesting that you chose to ask about two words that have, in the Greek language of the New Testament, an integral meaning that spans the meaning of several words in the English language. So bear with me while I try to explain.

The Greek verb that is translated as both “to believe” as well as “to trust” is the verb *pisteuo*. It is the verb that is cognate with the noun *pistis*, which is translated into English as “faith” or “belief.” The connection between those two meanings has to do with the fact that if we believe someone, we trust them; and if we trust someone, we believe them. The deadfall trap in that, as it pertains to trusting God, lies in the fact that it is impossible to believe nothing at all about Him. That’s where God has us in a quandry: Since He is the Truth of the Word of God, we do not believe Him if we do not believe the Truth that He is. Conversely, we do not trust Him if we do not know the Truth that He is.

The Greek verb that can be translated as both “to test” as well as “to tempt” is the verb *peirasmōs*. The relationship between those two has to do with the fact that when someone is tested, they may be tempted to do something they shouldn’t. Since Paul has already told us we will not be tested/tempted above what we can endure (1 Cor. 10:13), our challenge is to continue trusting God when we are tested. We can only do that if we know the Truth and continue to believe it; and the Truth is, if you expect God to do something for you that you want but don’t need, you are testing.

Closing

Thank you so much for your input. I hope our readers take it to heart. I pray they have the required fear to be counted among the “some” mentioned in one of my favorite verses:

[You must treat [His [Supreme] Majesty]—
[Him {alone}]—as holy],
[So that He is] [your Abject Fear],
[So that He is] [what terrifies you].
[Then He will become] [a Sanctuary] {to some}.
(Isaiah 8:13–14a) —Larry’s interim translation

In Him,

Marcia Harper

You Think This Is Bad? It's Only Going to Get Worse!

I have been writing articles for this newsletter for a little over thirty years now, warning you *the worst was yet to come*. I am not about to give it up now, considering the fact that *the worst is yet to come*. The good news is, the Lord is just starting to wrap things up all nice and tidy here on Planet Earth. Too bad the response of folks down here has already been revealed:

¹(1) [Then] [The] [fifth] [Messenger] [sounded a trumpet], [and]

(a) [I saw] [a Star] [that had fallen] [to] [The] [Earth] [out] [of] [Heaven], [and]

(i) [The] [Key] [to The] [Cistern] [of The] [Abyss] [had been given] [to him]. ²[And]

(ii) [he opened] [The] [Cistern] [of The] [Abyss], [and]

(a) [Smoke] [like] [{the} Smoke] [of a [large] Furnace] [came up] [out] [of The] [Cistern]; [and]

(b) [The] [Sun]—[as well as] [The] [Air]—[was darkened] [because] [of The] [Smoke] [of The] [Cistern]. ³[And]

(b) [Locusts] [came out] [of] [The] [Smoke] [into] [The] [Earth]; [and]

(i) [an Authority] [was given] [to them], [like] [The] [Scorpions] [of The] [Earth] [have] [an Authority]. ⁴[And]

(ii) [they] [were told] [that] [they could [not] harm {anything}]—

(a) [The] [Grass] [of The] [Earth] [or]

(b) [anything] [green] [or]

(c) [any] [Tree]—[except] [The] [Men] [who] [do [not] have] [The] [Seal] [of The] [{Living} God] [on] [their] [Foreheads]. ⁵[And]

(iii) [{the authority} was given] [to them],

(a) [so that] [they could [not] kill] [them], [but]

(b) [so that] [they would be tormented] [five] [Months]. [And]

(i) [their] [Torment] {is going to be} [like] [{the} Torment] [of a Scorpion] [when] [it strikes] [a Man]. ⁶[And]

(ii) [Men] [will seek] [Death] [in] [Those] [Days], [and] [they will [definitely not] find] [it], [and] [they will desire] [to die], [and] [Death] [is going to flee] [from] [them]. ⁷[And]

(c) [The] [Likenesses] [of The] [Locusts] {were} [just like] [Horses] [prepared] [for] [War], [and]

(i) [on] [their] [Heads] {were things} [like] [Crowns] {that were} [just like] [Gold], [and]

(ii) [their] [Faces] {were} [like] [Men's] [Faces]. ⁸[And]

(iii) [they had] [Hair] [like] [Women's] [Hair], [and] (iv) [their] [Teeth] [were] [like] [Lions' {teeth}]. ⁹[And]

(v) [they had] [Breastplates] [like] [Breastplates] [of iron], [and]

(vi) [The] [Sound] [of] [their] [Wings] {was} [like] [{the} Sound] [of Chariots]—[of a Lot] [of Horses]

[running] [into] [War]. ¹⁰[And]
 (vii) [they have] [Tails] [and] [Stingers] [just like]
 [Scorpions], [and]
 (viii) [their] [Authority] [to harm] [Men] [for five]
 [Months] {is} [in] [their] [Tails].

¹¹(d) [They have] [a King] [over] [them]—[The]
 [Messenger] [of The] [Abyss]. [In Hebrew] [he has]
 [{the} Name] [**Abaddon***], [and] [in] [The] [Greek
 Language*] [he has] [{the} Name] [**Apollyon***].

¹²(e) [The] [Woe]—[The] [First One]—[went away].
 [Guess what!] [There is] [two] [more] [Woes] coming
 [after] [These Things]!

¹³(2) [Then] [The] [sixth] [Messenger] [sounded a trum-
 pet]; [and]

(a) [I heard] [a] [Voice] [from] [The] [four] [Horns] [of
 The] [Altar]—[the one] [made of gold], [the one] [before]
 [The] [{Living} God]—¹⁴[saying] [to The] [sixth]
 [Messenger]—[the one who] [had] [The] [Trumpet],
 “[Undo] [The] [four] [Messengers], [the ones that] [have
 been bound] [at] [The] [River]—[The] [tremendous]
 [Euphrates].”

¹⁵(i) [And] [The] [four] [Messengers]—[the ones
 who] [had been prepared] [for]

(a) [The] [Hour] [and]
 (b) [Day] [and]
 (c) [Month] [and]
 (d) [Annual Religious Cycle]—[were undone],
 [so that] [they could kill] [the] [third {part}] [of]
 [Mankind]. ¹⁶[And]

(ii) [The] [Number] [of The] [Troops] [of The]
 [Cavalry*] {was} [Twenty Thousand*] {times}
 [Ten Thousand]. [I heard] [their] [Number].

¹⁷(b) [I [also] saw] [The] [Horses], [and] [those who]
 [were sitting] [on] [them] {were} [like this] [in] [their]
 [Visual Appearance]:

(i) [having] [Breastplates] [of]

(a) fire*] [and]
 (b) [hyacinth*] [and]
 (c) [brimstone*], [and]

(ii) [The] [Heads] [of The] [Horses] {were} [like]
 [Lions'] [Heads], [and]

(iii) [Fire] [and] [Smoke] [and] [Brimstone] [was
 coming out] [of] [their] [Mouths].

¹⁸(c) [The] [third {part}] [of] [Mankind] [were killed]
 [by] [These] [three] [Lashes]—

(i) [because] [of The] [Fire] [and] [The] [Smoke]
 [and] [The] [Brimstone] [that] [was coming out] [of]
 [their] [Mouths].

¹⁹(ii) [For] [The] [Authority] [of The] [Horses] [is]
 [in] [their] [Mouth] [and] [in] [their] [Tails], [for]
 [their] [Tails]—[which have] [Heads]—{are} [just
 like] [Snakes], [and] [they harm {people}] [with]
 [them].

²⁰(d) [Yet] [The] [Rest of] [Mankind]—[those who]
 [were [not] killed] [by] [These] [Lashes]—

(i) [did [not even] apologize] [for] [The] [Works] [of]
 [their] [Hands], [so that] [they do [not] worship]
 [The] [Demons] [and] [The] [Idols]—

(a) [those that are] [made of gold] [and]
 (b) [those that are] [made of silver] [and]
 (c) [those that are] [made of copper*] [and]
 (d) [those that are] [made of stone] [and]
 (e) [those that are] [made of wood]—[which]
 [can] [not even]

(i) [see] [or]
 (ii) [hear] [or]
 (iii) [walk]. ²¹[And]

(ii) [they did [not] apologize]

(a) [for] [their] [Murders] [or]
 (b) [for] [their] [Drug Dealings] [or]
 (c) [for] [their] [Sexual Promiscuity] [or]
 (d) [for] [their] [Thefts*].

(Revelation 9:1–21) —HSSB

Don't worry, I'm not here to convince you that
 what I believe about the message hidden in the idioms
 and images of the Scriptures is true; I've only been
 explaining the Truth so that you have no excuse if you
 choose not to consider it might be true and check it out.

If you are one of those who want to duck responsibility for *what you believe* by believing whatever someone else tells you to believe, the author of the Book of Revelation is most definitely describing you. So have a good time mocking the things I write, the last laugh may be the angry God of Israel mocking you for not making sure that what you have heard from the pompous, pious, pulpit parrots preaching putrid pabulum to equally pretentious Pretenders is true. Jesus once said something about a broad “way” that leads to destruction, but I doubt you believe that either.

Now that I have gotten that out of the way, here's the long and the short of what you need to know about the things the angry God of Israel has planned for us: The zealous advocates of two opposing ideologies—the moralistic, mendacious Communists and the pompous, pious Dispensationalists—are going to butt heads just south of Egypt in the near future. When they do, the result will be the unleashing of a literal hell-fire and brimstone conflagration that burns “*The Harlot*,” Planet Earth to a crisp. And the stupid Capitalists, who lit the fuse when they empowered the Communists by turning their technology over to them, will stand by in horror as they realize their merchandise is no longer needed. If you believe that could never happen, you haven't read the prophecy of Zephaniah. Here's a part of John's version of that:

¹(1) [After] [These Things], [I saw] [another] [Messenger]—[one who has] [tremendous] [Authority]—[coming down] [out] [of] [Heaven]; [and] [The] [Earth] [was provided light] [by] [his] [Glory]. ²[And] [he shouted] [in] [a [mighty] Voice], [saying]:

(a) “[She has fallen]! [Babylon] [The] [Great] [has fallen]!
(b) [She has [also] become]

(i) [a Home] [of Demons] [and]
(ii) [a Guard House] [of [every] [unclean] Spirit] [and]
(iii) [a Guard House] [of [every] [unclean] Bird] [and]
(iv) [a Guard House] [of [every] [unclean] [and] [hated] Beast]; ³[because]

(a) [all] [The] [Gentiles] [have drunk] [some] [of The] [Wine] [of The] [Rage] [of] [her] [Sexual Promiscuity], [and]

(b) [The] [Kings] [of The] [Earth] [have been sexually promiscuous] [with] [her], [and]

(c) [The] [Merchants] [of The] [Earth] [have become wealthy] [from] [The] [Supernatural Power] [of] [her] [Sensuality*].”

⁴(2) [Then] [I heard] [another] [Voice] [out] [of] [Heaven] [saying]: “[Come out] [of] [her], [My] [People],

(a) [so that] [you do [not] have commonality] [with her] [in her] [Sins]—[and]

(b) [so that] [you do [not] receive] [any] [of] [her] [Lashes]; ⁵[because]

(i) [her] [Sins] [have joined {themselves} together] [as far as] [Heaven], [and]

(ii) [The] [{Living} God] [has remembered] [her] [Immoral Acts].

⁶(a) [Pay [her] back] [even] [as much as] [she] [paid {you}], [and]

(b) [double*] [the {ingredients}] [twice as much] [in accordance with] [her] [Works]; [in] [The] [Cup] [that] [she mixed],

(c) [mix] [twice as much] [for her]. ⁷[As much as] [she glorified] [herself] [and] [lived sensually],

(d) [give] [her] [so much] [Torment] [and] [Mourning]; [because] [she says] [in] [her] [Heart] [that] ‘[I AM SITTING] [AS A QUEEN]!’ [and] ‘[I AM] [NOT] [A WIDOW]!’ [and] ‘[I WILL [DEFINITELY NOT] SEE] [MOURNING].’ ⁸[For] [This Reason]

(iii) [her] [Lashes] [will come] [in] [one] [Day]—

(a) [Death] [and]

(b) [Mourning] [and]

(c) [Famine]—[and]

(iv) [she will be burned up] [in] [a Fire], [because]

(a) [His Majesty],

(b) [The] [{Living} God]—

(c) [the One Who] [has judged] [her]— {is} [mighty].

⁹(v) [Then] [The] [Kings] [of The] [Earth], [those who]

(a) [were sexually promiscuous] [and]
 (b) [lived sensually] [with] [her], [will weep]
 [and] [cut themselves] [because of] [her], [when]
 [they see] [The] [Smoke] [of] [her] [Burning],

¹⁰(i) [standing] [at a distance away] [from
 {her}] [because] [of their] [Fear] [of] [her]
 [Torment],

(ii) [saying]: 'Woe, [Woe to] [The] [City]—
 [The] [Great One]—[Babylon], [The] [City]
 [that is] [mighty]—[because] [Your]
 [Sentence] [has come] [in [one] Hour]!'

¹¹(vi) [Then] [The] [Merchants] [of The] [Earth] [are
 going to

(a) weep] [and]

(b) [mourn] [over] [her], [because] [nobody] [is
 going to buy] [their] [Cargo] [any longer]—¹²[a
 Cargo] [of

(i) Gold] [and]

(ii) [Silver] [and]

(iii) [valuable] [Stone] [and]

(iv) [Pearls] [and]

(v) [{things} made of fine linen] [and]

(vi) [Purple Cloth] [and]

(vii) [Silk*] [and]

(viii) [scarlet] [and]

(ix) [anything] [made of citron*] [Wood] [and]

(x) [every] [Container] [made of ivory*] [and]

(xi) [every] [Container] [of] [valuable] [Wood]
 [and]

(xii) [Copper] [and]

(xiii) [Iron*] [and]

(xiv) [Marble*] ¹³[and]

(xv) [Cinnamon*] [and]

(xvi) [Spice*] [and]

(xvii) [Incense Offerings] [and]

(xviii) [Perfume] [and]

(xix) [Frankincense] [and]

(xx) [Wine] [and]

(xxi) [Olive Oil] [and]

(xxii) [Fine Flour*] [and]

(xxiii) [Wheat] [and]

(xxiv) [Animals] [and]

(xxv) [Sheep] [and]

(xxvi) [Horses] [and]

(xxvii) [Wagons*] [and]

(xxviii) [Bodies] [and]

(xxix) [Souls] [of Men].

¹⁴(vii) [Even] [Your] [Ripe Fruit*], [which is]
 [Your] [Soul's] [Selfish Desire], [has gone away]
 [from] [You]. [Everything] [from] [You]—[The
 [sleek*] Things] [and] [The [splendid] Things]—
 [has [also] been done away with], [and] [they will
 [definitely not] find] [them] [any longer].

¹⁵(viii) [The] [Merchants] [of These Things]—[those
 who] [became wealthy] [because] [of her]—[will
 stand] [at a distance away] [from {her}], [weeping]
 [and] [mourning] [because of] [their] [Fear] [of]
 [her] [Torment], ¹⁶[saying], 'Woe! [Woe to] [The]
 [City]—[The] [Great One], [the one who] [was
 wrapped in {something}] [made of

(a) fine linen] [and]

(b) [purple] [and]

(c) [scarlet] [and]

(d) [gilded] [with]

(i) [Gold] [and]

(ii) [valuable] [Stone] [and]

(iii) [Pearls]—¹⁷[because] [in [one] Hour] [so
 much] [Wealth] [has been deserted]!'

(ix) [Then]

(a) [every] [Captain] [and]

(b) [everyone] [who] [sails] [over to] [a Place]—
 [even]

(c) [Sailors] [and]

(d) [as many as] [work] [The] [Sea]—[stood] [at
 a distance away] [from {her}].

¹⁸(x) [And] [those who saw] [The] [Smoke] [of] [her]
 [Burning] [were shouting], [saying], 'What is
 [just like] [The] [City]—[The] [Great One]?'

¹⁹(xi) [And] [they threw] [a Heap of Dirt] [onto]
 [their] [Heads] [and] [were

(a) shouting],

(b) [weeping] [and]

(c) [mourning],

(d) [saying], 'Woe! [Woe to] [The] [City]—
 [The] [Great One]—[in] [which] [all] [who] [had]

[their] [Boats] [in] [The] [Sea] [became wealthy]
[from] [her] [Natural Resources*], [because] [in]
[one] Hour [she has been deserted]!"

²⁰(xii) [Heaven]—[as well as]

(a) [you] [Holy Ones] [and]
(b) [you] [Apostles] [and]
(c) [you] [Prophets]—[must celebrate] [over]
[her], [because] [The] [{Living} God] [has decid-
ed] [His] [Judgment] [of you] [on the basis] [of
her]!"

²¹(3) [Then] [one] [mighty] [Messenger]

(a) [picked up] [a Stone] [like] [a [large] Millstone*]
[and]

(b) [threw {it}] [into] [The] [Sea], [saying]:

(i) "[Babylon]—[The] [great] [City]—[will be
thrown down] [in a Violent Assault*] [like this],
[and]

(ii) [she will [definitely not] be found] [any longer].
²²[And]

(iii) [{the} Sound] [of]

(a) Harpists] [and]

(b) [Musicians*] [and]

(c) [Flute Players] [and]

(d) [Trumpeters*] [will [definitely not] be heard]
[in] [You] [any longer]. [And]

(iv) [every] [Craftsman] [of [every] Craft] [will [defi-
nitely not] be found] [in] [You] [any longer]. [And]

(v) [{the} Sound] [of a Millstone] [will [definitely
not] be heard] [in] [You] [any longer]. ²³[And]

(vi) [{the} Light] [of a Lamp] [will [definitely not]
be seen] [in] [You] [any longer]; [and]

(vii) [{the} Voice] [of a Bridegroom] [and] [a Bride]
[will [definitely not] be heard] [in] [You] [any
longer],

(a) [because] [Your] [Merchants] [were] [The]
[Aristocrats] [of The] [Earth],

(b) [because]

(i) [all] [The] [Gentiles] [were led astray] [by]
[Your] [Drug Dealing], ²⁴[and]

(ii) [{the} Blood] [of Prophets] [and] [Holy
Ones] [and] [all] [who] [had been slaughtered]
[on] [The] [Earth] [was found] [in] [her]!"

(Revelation 18:1–24) —HSSB

Now I want to explain a few things for the benefit of those who already understand what I have explained about Jesus Christ, "The Remnant" of Corporate Israel Who *inherited what was promised* when He arose from the dead. That is, I want to show you how Moses wrote about Jesus in such a way that the most erudite scholar has never been able to figure out how it was done.

As I have stated previously, *the promise* regarding what God planned to do began its trek through this realm—the realm of the dead—as nothing more than a prophecy. By the time Moses came on the scene, much of that prophecy had become history—a history that Moses states plainly in the Pentateuch. The twist is, a lot of the prophecy that Moses wrote is put in the form of the *parabolic pantomimes* (sacred rituals) of the sacrificial cult. So listen up, I am about to tell you a bit about that; but first, you need to know what Moses says about the Levites:

⁵[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]:

⁶"[Take] [The Levites] [out of {the} Midst] [of {the} Sons of] [Israel] [and cleanse] [them]. ⁷[And this is what] [You must do] [to them] [to cleanse them]: [Sprinkle] [{the} Water] [of {the} Sin Offering] [on them]. [Then they must pass] [a Razor] [over] [their [entire] Flesh] [and wash] [their Clothes]; [and they will be clean]. ⁸[Then they must take] [a Bull]—[a Son] [of Cattle]—[and its Cereal Offering]—[Finely Ground Flour] [mixed] [with Oil], [and [You must take] a [second] Bull]—[a Son] [of Cattle]—[for a Sin Offering]. ⁹[Then You must present] [The Levites] [in front of] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [and congregate] [{the} [entire] Assembly of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel].

¹⁰[Then You must present] [The Levites] [in front of] [His Majesty], [and [{the} Sons of] [Israel] must lay] [their Hands] [on] [The Levites]. ¹¹[Then [Aaron] must move] [The Levites] side to side] [in front of] [His Majesty] [as a Wave Offering] [from] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [so that they are {qualified}] [to do] [{the} Transportation Work] [of His Majesty]. ¹²[And The Levites] [must lay] [their Hands] [on] [{the} Head] [of The Bulls], [and he must make] [The One] [a Sin Offering] [and] [The Other] [a

Burnt Offering] [for His Majesty] [to make atonement] [for] [The Levites]. ¹³[So You must make [The Levites] stand] [in front of] [Aaron]—[and in front of] [his Sons]—[and You must make [them] move side to side] [as a Wave Offering] [for His Majesty].

¹⁴[So You must separate] [The Levites] [out of {the} Midst of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel], [and [The Levites] will] [belong to Me]. ¹⁵[And after] [that] [The Levites] [may come in] [to do the transportation work of] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. [But You must cleanse] [them] [and move [them] side to side] [as a Wave Offering], ¹⁶[because] [they] [are being [completely] given] [to Me] [out of {the} Midst of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel]; [I have taken] [them] [for Myself] [instead of] [{the} Firstlings]—[every] [Firstborn] [of a Womb], [every {first-born}] [of {the} Sons of] [Israel], ¹⁷[because] [every] [Firstborn] [among {the} Sons of] [Israel]—[among {the} Descendants of Adam] [and among {the} Beasts]—[belongs to Me]; [I made [them] holy] [for Myself] [on {the} Day] [that I viciously attacked] [every] [Firstborn] [in {the} Land] [of Egypt].

¹⁸[So I have taken] [The Levites] [instead of] [every] [Firstborn] [among {the} Sons of] [Israel], ¹⁹[and I have given] [The Levites] [that have been given] [to Aaron] [and to his Sons] [out of {the} Midst of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [to do] [{the} Transportation Work] [in {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [and to make atonement] [for] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [and there will [not] be] [a Savage Blow] [to {the} Sons of] [Israel] [when [{the} Sons of] [Israel] come close] [to] [The Holy Place].” ²⁰[So [Moses] [and Aaron] [and {the} entire] Assembly] [of {the} Sons of] [Israel] did] [to {the} Levites] [in agreement with all] [that] [His Majesty] [had commanded] [Moses] [concerning {the} Levites]; [{The} Sons of] [Israel] [did] [the same] [to them].

²¹[So [The Levites] cleansed themselves of their sin] [and washed] [their Clothes]. [Then [Aaron] made [them] move side to side] [as a Wave Offering] [in front of] [His Majesty], [and [Aaron] made atonement] [for them] [to cleanse them]. ²²[And after] [that], [The Levites] [went in] [to do] [their Transportation Work] [in {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [in front of] [Aaron] [and in front of] [his Sons] [just as] [His Majesty] [had commanded] [Moses] [concerning] [The Levites]; [they did] [the same] [to them].

²³[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]: ²⁴[This] {is} [what] [applies to {the} Levites]: [From {the} Age] [of twenty]-[five] [Years] [and upwards] [one may go in] [to wage war] [as an Army] [in {the}

Transportation Work] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. ²⁵[But from {the} Age] [of fifty] [Years] [they can return] [from waging {the} war] [of The Transportation Work] [and not] [do transportation work] [any longer]. ²⁶[And one may minister] [with] [his Brothers] [in {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [to pull] [Guard Duty], [but [he can [not] do] Transportation Work]. [You must deal] [with {the} Levites] [like this] [with regard to their Guard Duties].”

(Numbers 8:5–26) —my interim translation

That parabolic pantomime (sacred ritual) will mean little to you—and its significance will completely elude you—if you do not know what a “wave offering” is. Never fear, I am going to tell you; so hold on to your britches. Here’s what Malachi indicates the future holds in store for the folks that Moses depicts parabolically as “Levites”:

¹“[Guess what! I] [am going to send] [My Messenger], [and he will put a surface on] [{the} Way] [in front of Me]. [And [The Master], [Whom] [you] [{are} seeking], [will come] [to] [His Temple] suddenly]. [But {the} Messenger] [{of} The Legal Agreement] [with which] [you] are pleased], [guess what!] [He will come],” [says] [His [Supreme] Majesty]. ²“[But who] [is going to endure] [The Day] [when he comes]? [And who] [is going to stand] [when he is seen]? [Because] [he] {is} [like [a Refiner’s] Fire] [and like [Launderers’] Lye]. ³[When he sits] [refining] [and cleansing] [Silver], [then he will cleanse] [{the} Sons] [{of} Levi]. [And he will part] [them] [like Gold] [and like Silver], [so that they can be] [those who bring [a Cereal Offering] to] [His Majesty] [by a Declaration of Not Guilty].”

(Malachi 3:1–3) —my interim translation

Now that you know the Levites were depicted as a “wave offering” in a parabolic pantomime that Moses conducted at God’s behest, you should be asking, “What is a wave offering?” I’m glad you asked, but I already told you I was planning to tell you. A “wave offering” is always a “fire offering,” and—this is what is especially important—always a smaller part of a larger sacrifice. So now you may be asking, “Of what larger sacrifice are the Levites a smaller part?” To which I respond, “I’m glad you asked; but if you have to ask, you didn’t read the text carefully enough!” The larger sacrifice is Corporate Israel. Listen to what God told Moses:

"[Then [Aaron] must move [The Levites] side to side] [in front of] [His Majesty] [as a **Wave Offering**] [from] [{the} **Sons of**] [Israel] [so that they are {qualified}] [to do] [{the} Transportation Work] [of His Majesty]."
(Numbers 8:11)—my interim translation

¹⁴"[So You must separate] [The Levites] [out of {the} Midst of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel], [and [The Levites] will] [belong to Me]. ¹⁵[And after] [that] [The Levites] [may come in] [to do the transportation work of] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. [**But You must cleanse**] [them] [**and move** [them] **side to side**] [as a **Wave Offering**], ¹⁶[**because**] [they] [are being [completely] given] [to Me] [out of {the} Midst of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel]; [I have taken] [them] [for Myself] [instead of] [{the} Firstlings]—[every] [Firstborn] [of a Womb], [every] [first-born]] [of {the} Sons of] [Israel]."
(Numbers 8:14–16)—my interim translation

Now that you know the conclusion to the story, let me fill in the details. You see, when someone sacrificed an animal in connection with a solemn oath he took back then, he was *promising* to die like that sacrifice if he did not fulfill his oath. Hence, when the sons of Israel ratified the Old Covenant with God at Mount Sinai, Corporate Israel was *promising* to become a sacrifice for his sins if the members of Corporate Israel failed to *fulfill the promise* they made on that solemn occasion. If you have been reading and believing the things I have written over the years, you already know how well that worked out for them: They didn't hold up their end of the deal, and God called the note after Jesus Christ became Corporate Israel. So the curses of the Old Covenant fell on Jesus Christ, just as Paul says in Galatians 3:13, and the members of Corporate Israel got off scot-free.

But my point here is, Moses had long since explained the purpose God had in the death of Jesus Christ as a sacrifice. So listen up and pay attention; you need to know what God told Moses about the various sacrifices and offerings that God demanded from the sons of Israel. Buckle up, 'cause I am about to shake loose a few Pretenders. It all revolves around an offering I call a "fire offering." Keep that in mind:

¹[Then [His Majesty] called] [to] [Moses] [and spoke] [to him] [from {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time], [saying], ²"[Speak] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Israel]

[and say] [to them]: '[Adam], [when] [one of you] [presents] [an Offering] [to His Majesty], [you must present] [your Offering] [from] [The Beasts]—[from] [The Cattle] [and from] [The Flock].

³[If] [his Offering] {is} [a Burnt Offering] [from] [The Cattle], [he must present it] [as a Male] [without defect]; [he must present] [it] [at] [{the} Entrance of] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [to {gain} Goodwill for him] [in front of] [His Majesty]. ⁴[Then he must lay] [his Hand] [on] [{the} Head] [of The Burnt Offering] [so that it makes amends] [for him]—[to make atonement] [for him]. ⁵[Then he must slaughter] [{the} Son] [of The Cattle] [in front of] [His Majesty]; [and [{the} Sons of] [Aaron], [The Priests], must present] [The Blood] [and toss] [The Blood] [round about] [on top of] [The Altar] [that] {is} [{at the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. ⁶[Then he must strip] [The Burnt Offering] [and cut] [it] [into its Pieces]. ⁷[Then [{the} Sons of] [Aaron], [The Priest], must put] [Fire] [on] [The Altar] [and arrange] [Wood] [on] [The Fire]. ⁸[Then [{the} Sons of] [Aaron], [The Priests], must arrange] [The Pieces]—[The Head] [and] [The Suet]—[on] [The Wood] [that] {is} [on] [The Fire] [that] {is} [on] [The Altar]; ⁹[but [he must wash] its Entrails] [and its Legs] [with Water]. [Then [The Priest] must burn] [The Whole Thing] [on The Altar] as incense; [a Burnt Offering] {is} [a Fire Offering], [a [soothing] Aroma] [to His Majesty].

¹⁰[But if] [his Offering] [for a Burnt Offering] {is} [one of] [The Flock]—[one of] [The Sheep] [or] [one of] [The Goats]—[he must present it] [as a Male] [without defect]. ¹¹[Then he must slaughter] [it] [on] [{the} north] Side of] [The Altar] [in front of] [His Majesty]; [and [{the} Sons of] [Aaron], [The Priests], must toss] [its Blood] [around] [on top of] [The Altar]. ¹²[Then he must cut] [it] [into pieces]—[and] [its Head] [and] [its Suet]—[and [The Priest] must arrange] [them] [on] [The Wood] [that] {is} [on] [The Fire] [that] {is} [on] [The Altar], ¹³[but [he must wash] The Entrails] [and The Legs] [with Water]. [Then [The Priest] must present {it}] [and burn] [The Whole Thing] as incense] [on The Altar]. [**A Burnt Offering**] [is] [**a Fire Offering**], [**a [soothing] Aroma**] [to His Majesty].

¹⁴[But if] [his Offering] {is} [one of] [The Flyers] [as a Burnt Offering] [to His Majesty], [he must present] [one of] [The Turtledoves] [or] [one of] [The [young] Doves] [as his Offering]. ¹⁵[Then [The Priest] must present it] [at] [The Altar], [and he must wring off] [its Head]

[and burn {it} as incense] [on The Altar], [but [its Blood] must be drained out] [on] [{the} Vertical Surface] [of The Altar]. ¹⁶[But he must remove] [its Crop*] [with its Plumage] [and throw [it] down] [next to] [The Altar], [to the East], [at] [{the} Place] [of The Grease]. ¹⁷[Then he must split [it] apart] [by its Wings]; [he must [not] separate {it}]. [Then [The Priest] must burn [it] as incense] [on The Altar], [on] [The Wood] [that] {is} [on] [The Fire]. **[A Burnt Offering] [is] [a Fire Offering], [a [soothing] Aroma] [to His Majesty]."**

(Leviticus 1:1–17) —my interim translation

Let me explain where this is going: The *parabolic pantomime* of the burnt offering has to do with the Shroud of Turin. That is, when Christ died, they drained His blood and prepared Him as a sacrifice. Then the fire of God consumed His body, and He went up in a cloud. But mark this down and remember it: A burnt offering is a "fire offering"; it goes up in smoke and disappears. But a burnt offering is not the only offering that is a "fire offering," so take notes:

¹"[And [when] a Soul] [presents] [an Offering] [of a Cereal Offering] [to His Majesty], [his Offering] [must be] [Finely Ground Flour]; [and he must pour [Oil] out] [on it] [and put] [Frankincense] [on it]. ²[Then he must bring it] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Aaron], [The Priests], [and take a fistful] [from there]—[{the} Fullness] [of his Fistful]—[some of its Finely Ground Flour], [and some of its Oil], [along with] [all of] [its Frankincense]. **[Then [The Priest] must burn] [its Memorial Offering] [on The Altar] [as a Fire Offering], [as a [soothing] Aroma] [to His Majesty].** ³[And the [part of] [The Cereal Offering] that is left as a remnant] [belongs to Aaron] [and to his Sons] [as {the} holiest] [of {the} Holy Things], [part of {the} Fire Offerings of] [His Majesty].

⁴[So when] [You present] [an [Oven]-[baked*] Cereal Offering] [as an Offering], {it must be} [unleavened] [Cakes of] [Finely Ground Flour] [mixed] [with Oil] [and [unleavened] Wafers] [anointed] [with Oil]. ⁵[But if] [Your Offering] {is} [a Cereal Offering] {made} [on] [The Griddle], [it must be] [unleavened] [Finely Ground Flour] [mixed] [with Oil]. ⁶[You must crumble [it] up into] [Small Bits] [and pour [Oil] out] [on it]; [it] {is} [a Cereal Offering]. ⁷[But if] [Your Offering] {is} [a Cereal Offering] [made in a pan], [it must be made] [of Finely Ground Flour] [with Oil]. ⁸[So You must bring] [The Cereal Offering] [that] [is made] [into one of these] [to His

Majesty] [and present it] [to] [The Priest], [and he will bring it] [to] [The Altar]. ⁹[Then [The Priest] must take up] [some of] [The Cereal Offering] [as its Memorial Offering] [and burn {it} [on The Altar] as incense], [as a Fire Offering], [as a [soothing] Aroma] [to His Majesty]. ¹⁰[And the [part of] [The Cereal Offering] that is left as a remnant] [belongs to Aaron] [and to his Sons] [as {the} holiest] [of {the} Holy Things], [part of {the} Fire Offerings of] [His Majesty]. ¹¹[None of] [The Cereal Offering] [that] [you present] [to His Majesty] [can be made] [leavened] [because] **[you must [not] burn [any] [of] [a Remnant of Leavened Dough] [or any] [Honey] as incense], [as a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty].** ¹²[You may present] [them] [as a [first] Offering] [to His Majesty], [but [they must [not] go up] [on] [The Altar] [for a soothing] [Aroma].

¹³[And [You must season] every] [Offering] [of Your Grain Offerings] [with Salt], [and You must [not] make [{the} Salt] [of {the} Legal Agreement] [of Your God] keep Sabbath] [away from] [Your Cereal Offerings]. [You must present] [Salt] [on] [every one of] [Your Cereal Offerings]. ¹⁴[And if] [You present] [a Cereal Offering] [of First Fruits] [to His Majesty], [You must present] [Green Ears of Barley] [roasted] [with Fire], [an Edible Fruit] [of Cultivated Soil], [as a Cereal Offering] [of Your First Fruits]. ¹⁵[And You must put] [Oil] [on it] [and place] [Frankincense] [on it]; [it] {is} [a Cereal Offering]. ¹⁶**[Then [The Priest] will burn [some of its Edible Fruit] [and some of its Oil] [along with] [all of] [its Frankincense] as incense], [as a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty]."** (Leviticus 2:1–16) —my interim translation

There you go: A small part of a grain offering is also offered up as a fire offering. But that's not all:

¹"[But if] [his Offering] {is} [a Communal Sacrifice] [of Peace Offerings], [if] [he] [is presenting] [one of] [The Cattle]—[whether] [Male] [or] [Female]—[he must present it] [without defect] [in front of] [His Majesty]. ²[Then he must lay] [his Hand] [on] [{the} Head] [of his Offering] [and slaughter it] [{at the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. [And [The Priests], [{the} Sons of] [Aaron], must toss] [The Blood] [round about] [on top of] [The Altar]. ³**[Then he must present] [part of {the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings] [as a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty]—[The Fat] [that covers] [The Entrails], [even] [all] [The Fat] [that] {is} [on] [The Entrails].**

⁴[And] [he must remove] [The [two] Kidneys] [and] [The Fat] [that] {is} [on them] ([what] {is} [on] [The Fat Muscles]) [and] [The Lobe] [on] [The Liver] [along with] [The Kidneys]. ⁵[Then [{the} Sons of] [Aaron] must burn [it] as incense [on The Altar]—[on] [The Burnt Offering] [that] {is} [on] [The Wood] [that] {is} [on] [The Fire]—[as a Fire Offering], [as a [soothing] Aroma] [to His Majesty].

⁶[But if] [his Offering] [for a Communal Sacrifice] [of Peace Offerings] [to His Majesty] {is} [one of] [The Flock], [he must present it] [as a Male] [or] [Female] [without defect]. ⁷[If] [he] [is presenting] [a Sheep] [as] [his Offering], [he must present] [it] [in front of] [His Majesty] ⁸[and lay] [his Hand] [on] [{the} Head] [of his Offering] [and slaughter] [it] [in front of] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. [Then [{the} Sons of] [Aaron] must toss] [its Blood] [round about] [on top of] [The Altar].

⁹[Then he must present] [some of {the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings] [as a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty]—[he must remove] [its Fat], [The [complete] Fat Tail] [right alongside of] [The Spine], [and] [The Fat] [that covers] [The Entrails], [and] [all of] [The Fat] [that] {is} [on] [The Entrails]. ¹⁰[And] [he must remove] [The [two] Kidneys] [and] [The Fat] [that] {is} [on them] ([what] {is} [on] [The Fat Muscles]) [and] [The Lobe] [on] [The Liver] [along with] [The Kidneys]. ¹¹[Then [The Priest] must burn it as incense] [on The Altar] [as {the} Bread] [of a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty].

¹²[But if] [his Offering] {is} [a Goat], [he must present it] [in front of] [His Majesty] ¹³[and lay] [his Hand] [on] [its Head]. [Then he must slaughter] [it] [in front of] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time], [and [{the} Sons of] [Aaron] must toss] [its Blood] [round about] [on top of] [The Altar]. ¹⁴[Then he must present] [some of] [his Offering] [as a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty]—[The Fat] [that covers] [The Entrails], [even] [all of] [The Fat] [that] {is} [on] [The Entrails]. ¹⁵[And] [he must remove] [The [two] Kidneys] [and] [The Fat] [that] {is} [on them] ([what] {is} [on] [The Fat Muscles]) [and] [The Lobe] [on] [The Liver] [along with] [The Kidneys]. ¹⁶[Then [The Priest] must burn them as incense] [on The Altar] [as {the} Bread] [of a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty], [as a [soothing] Aroma]. [All of] [{the} Fat] [belongs to His Majesty] ¹⁷[as an [eternally burning] Statute] [throughout your Generations]. [You will [not] eat] [any] [Fat] [or any] [Blood].”

(Leviticus 3:1–17) —my interim translation

So now you see that all the fat, as well as some of the internal organs of the peace offerings were burned as part of the “fire offering.” And now we come to the sin offering, where the same thing applies:

¹[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]: ²“[Speak] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Israel], [saying]: ‘[When] [a Soul] [sins] [inadvertently] [because of any of] [{the} Commandments of] [His Majesty] [that] [must [not] be done] [and does] [any one] [of them], ³[in such a case] [The [anointed] Priest] [sins] [as [The People’s] Cause of Guilt]. [So he must present] [a Bull], [a Son] [of Cattle], [without defect] [to His Majesty] [as a Sin Offering] [on account of] [his Sinful Act] [that] [he committed]; ⁴[and he must bring] [The Bull] [to] [{the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [in front of] [His Majesty], [and he must lay] [his Hand] [on] [{the} Head] [of The Bull] [and slaughter] [The Bull] [in front of] [His Majesty].

⁵[Then [The [anointed] Priest] must take] [some of {the} Blood] [of The Bull] [and bring] [it] [to] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]; ⁶[and [The Priest] must dip] [his Finger] [in {the} Blood] [and sprinkle] [some of] [The Blood] [seven] [Times] [in front of] [His Majesty], [in front of] [{the} Veil] [of The Holy Place]. ⁷[Then [The Priest] must put] [some of] [The Blood] [on] [{the} Horns of] [{the} Altar] [of {the} Incense] [of The Sweet Spices] [that is] [in {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [in front of] [His Majesty], [but] [he must pour out] [all of] [{the} Blood] [of The Bull] [at] [{the} Base] [of {the} Altar] [of The Burnt Offering] [that is] [{at the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time].

⁸[But] [he must take] [all of] [{the} Fat] [of {the} Bull] [of The Sin Offering] [out of it]—[The Fat] [that covers] [over] [The Entrails] [and] [all of] [The Fat] [that is] [on] [The Entrails]; ⁹[and] [The [two] Kidneys] [and] [The Fat] [that is] [on them] ([what is] [on] [The Fat Muscles of the Kidneys] [and] [The Lobe] [on] [The Liver], [which] [he must remove] [along with] [The Kidneys] ¹⁰[just as] [it is taken] [out of {the} Ox] [of {the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings]; [and [The Priest] must burn them as incense] [on] [{the} Altar] [of The Burnt Offering]. ¹¹[But] [as for {the} Hide] [of The Bull] [and] [all of] [its Flesh], [along with] [its Head] [and along with] [its Legs] [and its Entrails] [and the Contents of its Stomach and Intestines], ¹²[he must also bring] [all of] [The Bull] [to] [The Outside] [of {the} Camp], [to] [a [clean] Place], [to] [the Place Where [The Grease] Is

Poured Out]; [and he must burn [it] up] [in {the} Fire] [along with] [{the} Wood]. [It must be burned up] [at] [the Place Where [The Grease] Is Poured Out].

¹³[But if] [{the} [entire] Assembly of] [Israel] [becomes intoxicated], [and [a Word] is hidden] [from {the} Eyes of] [The Congregation] [so that they do] [any [one] of] [{the} Commandments of] [His Majesty] [that] [must [not] be done], [so that they incur guilt]; ¹⁴[when [The Sinful Act] [that] [they have committed] [because of it] becomes known], [then [The Congregation] must present] [a Bull], [a Son] [of Cattle], [for a Sin Offering] [and bring] [it] [to {the} front of] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time].

¹⁵[Then [{the} Elders of] [The Assembly] must lay] [their Hands] [on] [{the} Head] [of The Bull] [in front of] [His Majesty], [and {the} priest] must slaughter] [The Bull] [in front of] [His Majesty]. ¹⁶[And [The [anointed] Priest] must bring] [some of {the} Blood] [of The Bull] [into] [{the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]; ¹⁷[then [The Priest] must dip [some of] [The Blood] with] [his Finger] [and sprinkle {it}] [seven] [Times] [in front of] [His Majesty] [before] [The Veil]. ¹⁸[But [he must put] some of] [The Blood] [on] [{the} Horns of] [The Altar] [that is] [in front of] [His Majesty] ([the one that is] [in {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]), [and] [he must pour out] [all of] [The Blood] [at] [{the} Base] [of {the} Altar] [of The Burnt Offering] [that is] [{at the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. ¹⁹[But] [he must take] [all of] [its Fat] [out of it] [and burn {it} as incense] [on The Altar].

²⁰[Then he must do] [to {the} Bull] [just as] [he did] [to {the} Bull] [of The Sin Offering]; [The Priest] [must do] [the same] [to it] [so that it makes atonement] [for them], [and it will be forgiven] [for them]. ²¹[Then he must bring] [The Bull] [out] [to] [The Outside] [of {the} Camp] [and burn [it] up] [just as] [he burnt up] [The [first] Bull]. [It is] [The Congregation's] [Sin Offering]. ²²[When] [a Carrier] [inadvertently] [sins] [and does] [one] [of all] [{the} Commandments of] [His Majesty] [his God] [that] [must [not] be done], [so that he feels guilty], ²³[or] [his Sinful Act] [by] [which] [he has sinned] [is made known] [to him], [he must bring] [as his Offering] [a Shaggy Goat] [of {the} Goats], [a Male] [without defect]. ²⁴[And he must lay] [his Hand] [on] [{the} Head] [of The Shaggy Goat] [and slaughter] [it] [in {the} Place] [where] [he must slaughter] [The Burnt Offering], [in front of] [His Majesty]. [It is] [a Sin Offering], ²⁵[so [The Priest] must take] [some of {the} Blood] [of The Sin Offering] [with his

Finger] [and put {it}] [on] [{the} Horns of] [{the} Altar] [of The Burnt Offering], [and] [he must pour [its Blood] out] [at] [{the} Base] [of {the} Altar] [of The Burnt Offering]. ²⁶[But] [he must burn [all of] [its Fat] as incense] [on The Altar] [like {the} Fat] [of {the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings]. [So [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [because of his Sinful Act] [so that it is forgiven] [for him].

²⁷[But if] [another] [Soul] [sins] [inadvertently] [because of {the} People] [of The Land] [by doing] [one] [of {the} Commandments of] [His Majesty] [that] [must [not] be done] [so that he feels guilty], ²⁸[or] [his Sinful Act] [that] [he has committed] [is made known] [to him], [he must bring] [as his Offering] [a Female Shaggy Goat] [of {the} Goats], [a Female] [without defect] [for] [his Sinful Act] [that] [he committed]. ²⁹[And he must lay] [his Hand] [on] [{the} Head] [of The Sin Offering] [and slaughter] [The Sin Offering] [in {the} Place] [for slaughtering] [The Burnt Offering]. ³⁰[Then [The Priest] must take] [some of its Blood] [with his Finger] [and put {it}] [on] [{the} Horns of] [{the} Altar] [of The Burnt Offering], [but] [he must pour out] [all of] [its Blood] [at] [{the} Base] [of The Altar]. ³¹[But] [he must remove] [all of] [its Fat] [just as] [{the} Fat] [was removed] [from] [{the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings], [and [The Priest] must burn {it} as incense] [on The Altar] [for a [soothing] Aroma] [to His Majesty]. [So [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [so that it will be forgiven] [for him].

³²[And if] [he should bring] [a Sheep] [as his Offering] [for a Sinful Act], [he must bring] [a Female] [without defect]; ³³[and he must lay] [his Hand] [on] [{the} Head] [of The Sin Offering] [and slaughter] [it] [for a Sin Offering] [in {the} Place] [where] [he slaughters] [The Burnt Offering]. ³⁴[Then [The Priest] must take] [some of {the} Blood] [of The Sin Offering] [with his Finger] [and put {it}] [on] [{the} Horns of] [{the} Altar] [of The Burnt Offering], [and] [he must pour out] [all of] [its Blood] [at] [{the} Base] [of The Altar]. ³⁵[But] [he must remove] [all of] [its Fat] [just as] [{the} Fat] [of {the} Sheep] [was removed] [from {the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings]; [and [The Priest] must burn [them] as incense] [on The Altar], [along with] [{the} Fire Offerings of] [His Majesty]. [So [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [regarding] [his Sinful Act] [that] [he committed], [and it will be forgiven] [for him]."

(Leviticus 4:1–35) —my interim translation

By now you should be well aware of the fact that the fat and some of the internal organs of the peace offerings and the sin offerings were burned on the altar as a “fire offering.” So we turn to the guilt offering:

¹“[But [when] a Soul] [sins] [and has heard] [{the} Sound] [of an Oath] [so that he] {is} [a Witness]—[or] [he has seen {something}] [or] [knows {something}]—[if] [he does [not] tell {anyone}], [he will bear {guilt}] [{for} his Reprehensible Act]. ²[Or] [a Soul] [who] [makes contact] [with any] [unclean] [Thing]—[either] [{the} Carcass of] [an [unclean] Animal], [or] [{the} Carcass of] [an [unclean] Beast], [or] [{the} Carcass of] [an [unclean] Abundantly Reproducing Thing]—[and it is hidden] [from him] [but he] {is} [unclean], [then he will be held guilty]. ³[Or] [when] [he makes contact] [with {the} Uncleanness of] [Adam]—[any of] [his Uncleanness] [by] [which] [he can become unclean]—[and it is hidden] [from him], [but he] [comes to know], [then he will be held guilty]. ⁴[Or] [when] [a Soul] [swears an oath], [speaking thoughtlessly] [with {the} Lips] [about doing a bad thing] [or] [doing a good thing]—[about anything] [that] [The Descendant of Adam] [may speak thoughtlessly] [with a Sworn Oath]—[and it is hidden] [from him], [but he] [comes to know], [then he will be held guilty] [because of one] [of these].

⁵[So it will be] [when] [he feels guilty] [about one] [of these], [he must confess] [that by] [which] [he sinned]. ⁶[Then he must bring] [his Guilt Offering] [to His Majesty] [on account of] [his Sin] [that] [he committed]: [a Female] [from] [The Flock]—[a Ewe Lamb*] [or] [a Shaggy Goat of] [{the} Female Goats]—[as a Sin Offering]. [And [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [because of his Sin]. ⁷[But if] [his Hand] [can [not] make contact with] [Enough for] [a Lamb or Kid] [then, [because] [he has sinned], he must bring] [as] [his Guilt Offering] [two] [Turtledoves] [or] [two] [young] [Doves], [one] [for a Sin Offering] [and one] [for a Burnt Offering].

⁸[And he must bring] [them] [to] [The Priest], [and he must present] [whatever] {is} [for {the} Sin Offering] [first]. [And he must wring off] [its Head] [right in front of] [its Neck], [but he must [not] separate {it}]. ⁹[Then he must sprinkle] [some of {the} Blood] [of The Sin Offering] [on] [{the} Vertical Surface] [of The Altar], [but what remains] [of {the} Blood] [must be drained out] [at] [{the} Base] [of The Altar]; [it] {is} [a Sin Offering]. ¹⁰[Then] [he must make] [The Second] [a Burnt Offering] [in accordance with {the} Judgment]. [So [The Priest]

must make atonement] [for him] [because of his Sinful Act] [that] [he committed], [and it will be forgiven] [him].

¹¹[But if] [his Hand] [can [not] attain] [two] [Turtledoves] [or] [two] [Doves], [then, [because] [he has sinned], he must bring] [as] [his Offering] [a Tenth of] [The **Ephah**] [of Finely Ground Flour] [as a Sin Offering]. [He must [not] place] [Oil] [on it], [and he must [not] put] [Frankincense] [on it]. ¹²[Then he must bring it] [to] [The Priest], [and [The Priest] must take a fistful]—[{the} Fullness] [of his Fistful]—[as] [a Memorial Offering] [and burn {it} as incense] [at The Altar], [along with] [{the} Fire Offerings of] [His Majesty]; [it] {is} [a Sin Offering]. ¹³[So [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [on account of] [his Sinful Act] [that] [he committed] [because of one] [of these] [and it will be forgiven] [him], [but it will belong] [to {the} Priest] [the same as {the} Cereal Offering].”

¹⁴[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]: ¹⁵[When] [a Soul] [commits] [a Betrayal of Trust] [and [inadvertently] sins] [against [His Majesty's] Holy Things], [then he must bring] [to His Majesty] [as] [his Guilt Offering] [a Ram] [from] [The Flock], [without defect], [by Your Valuation] [{in} silver] [**Shekels**]—[by {the} **Shekel**] [of The Holy Place]—[as a Guilt Offering]. ¹⁶[But] [he must settle up for] [how] [he sinned] [against] [The Holy Place], [so] [he must add] [a Fifth] [to it] [and give] [it] [to {the} Priest]. [Then The Priest] [must make atonement] [for him] [with {the} Ram] [of The Guilt Offering], [and it will be forgiven] [him].

¹⁷[But if], [when] [a Soul] [sins] [and does] [one] [of all] [{the} Commandments] [of His Majesty] [that] [are [not] to be done] [and does [not] know {it}], [then he will be held guilty] [and he will bear] [his Reprehensible Act]. ¹⁸[So he must bring] [a Ram] [from] [The Flock] [without defect] [to] [The Priest] [by Your Valuation] [as a Guilt Offering], [and [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [regarding] [his Inadvertence]—[what he sinned in ignorance]—[and it will be forgiven] [him]. ¹⁹[It] {is} [a Guilt Offering]; [he was [most definitely] guilty] [before His Majesty].”

(Leviticus 5:1–19) —my interim translation

There is a lot going on in that chapter, and it obscures the fact that every guilt offering included a burnt offering (fire offering), a cereal offering, and a sin offering. Remember that; you need to know the guilt offering included the other three offerings. That is important only because, according to the following

passage, Corporate Israel—when He died in the Person of Jesus Christ—died as a guilt offering for the sins of Corporate Israel:

⁷[He will be pressed hard], [and He] [will be humiliated],
[But He will [not] open] [His Mouth]!
[He will be brought] [to Slaughter] [like a Lamb];
[But as a Ewe] [is mute] [before] [those who shear her],
[So He will [not] open] [His Mouth]!
⁸[He will be taken away] [because of Detention]
[and Judgment],
[But] [Who] [will talk about] [His Generation]—
[That] [He would be split] [from {the} Land]
[of those who are living]?
[His] [Beating] {will be} [because of {the}
Transgression] [of My People].
⁹[Then He will make] [His Tomb]
[with] [{those who are} guilty],
[But with] [a Rich Man] [when He Dies],
[Because] [He did [not] do] [{anything} malicious],
[And no] [Deceit] {was} [in His Mouth].
¹⁰[But His Majesty] [wants to] [crush Him]—
[He will torment {Him}].
[If] [He makes] [His Soul] [a Guilt Offering],
[He will see] [Seed]—
[He will extend] [Days]—
[And [His Majesty's] Pleasure] [will be successful]
[in His Hand].
(Isaiah 53:7–10) —my interim translation

Just remember this: Jesus Christ died as a guilt offering; and every guilt offering included a burnt offering (fire offering), a cereal offering, and a sin offering. Every animal sacrifice included a fire offering, but the burnt offering (fire offering) explains why there was no body in the tomb on Resurrection Morning; the supernatural fire of God consumed it.

The other three offerings provide additional details that explain God's purpose in the death of Jesus Christ as a sacrifice; but if you want to understand the *parabolic imagery* related to the death of Christ as the Passover Lamb, you need to know what God told Moses about the *parabolic pantomime* of the communal sacrifice of a peace offering. That was the only sacrifice anyone other than a priest could consume, and the Passover lamb was a communal sacrifice of a peace offering. But I digress. Here's what God told Moses about the various offerings:

⁸[Then His Majesty] [spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]:
⁹"[Command] [Aaron] [and] [his Sons], [saying], '[This] {is} [The Teaching] {regarding} [The Burnt Offering]: [The Burnt Offering] [is] [on] [a Grate*] [on] [The Altar] [The [entire] Night] [until] [The Morning], [and The Fire] [of The Altar] [will be kept burning] [in it]. ¹⁰[Then [The Priest] must clothe himself with] [his Outer Garb] [of Linen], [but [he must clothe himself with] Trousers] [of Linen] [on] [his Flesh], [and he must take up] [The Grease] [when] [The Fire] [has consumed] [The Burnt Offering] [on] [The Altar], [and he must set it] [next to] [The Altar]. ¹¹[Then he must take off] [his Clothes] [and clothe himself with] [other] [Clothes] [and bring [The Grease] out] [to {a place}] [on the outside] [of The Camp], [to] [a [clean] Place].
¹²[But The Fire] [on] [The Altar] [must be kept burning] [in it]; [it must [not] be extinguished]. [So [The Priest] must burn] [Wood] [on it] [Morning] [after Morning] [and arrange] [The Burnt Offering] [on it]. [Then he must burn [The Fatty Parts] [of The Peace Offerings] as incense]. ¹³[A Fire] [must be kept burning] [continuously] [on] [The Altar]; [it must [not] be extinguished].

¹⁴[But this] {is} [The Teaching] {regarding} [The Cereal Offering]: [The Sons] [of Aaron] [must present] [it] [in front of] [His Majesty], [in front of] [The Altar]. ¹⁵[Then [one of them], [with his Fist Full], must take up] [some of The Finely Ground Flour] [of The Cereal Offering] [and some of its Oil] [and] [all] [The Frankincense] [that] {is} [on] [The Cereal Offering]; [and [The Altar] must burn {it} as incense], {as} [a [soothing] Aroma], {as} [its Memorial Offering], [to His Majesty].
¹⁶[Then [Aaron] [and his Sons] [must eat] [the [part of] it] that remains]. [It must be eaten] {as} [Unleavened Cakes] [in a [holy] Place] [in The Enclosure] [of The Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time].
¹⁷[It must [not] be baked] [leavened]. [I have given] [it] {as} [their Share] [of My Fire Offerings]; [it] {is} [the holiest] [of Holy Things]—[like The Sin Offering] [and The Guilt Offering]. ¹⁸[Every] [Male] [among The Sons] [of Aaron] [must eat it] {as} [a Statute] [of an Eternal Burning] [throughout your Generations], [from The Fire Offerings] [of His Majesty]. [Everyone] [who] [touches] [them] [will be made holy]."

¹⁹[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying], ²⁰"[This] {is} [The Offering] [of Aaron] [and his Sons] [that] [they must present] [to His Majesty] [on The Day] [he] [is anointed]: [The tenth of] [The Ephah] {as} [Finely Ground Flour] [of a [continuous] Cereal Offering], [Half of it] [in The Morning] [and Half of it]

[in The Evening]. ²¹[It must be made] [on] [a Griddle] [well-mixed] [with Oil]. [You must bring it] {as} [Baked Goods*] [of a Cereal Offering] {in} [Small Bits]. [You must present {it}] {as} [a soothing Aroma] [to His Majesty]. ²²[And The Priest] [anointed] [in his Place]—[one of his Sons]—[must do] [it] {as} [a Statute] [of an Eternal Burning]. [It must be entirely] burned as incense [to His Majesty]. ²³[And every] [Cereal Offering] [of a Priest] [must be] [entirely] {burned}. [It must [not] be eaten]."

²⁴[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying], ²⁵"[Speak] [to] [Aaron] [and to] [his Sons], [saying]: **'[This] {is} [The Teaching of] [The Sin Offering]:** [In The Place] [that] [You slaughter] [The Burnt Offering], [you must slaughter] [The Sin Offering] [in front of] [His Majesty]; [it] {is} [the holiest] [of Holy Things]. ²⁶[The Priest] [who offers [it] as a sin offering] [must eat it] [in a [holy] Place]. [It must be eaten] [in The Enclosure] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. ²⁷[Everyone] [who] [touches] [its Flesh] [will be made holy]; [and when] [some of its Blood] [spurts] [on] [The Clothing], [you must wash] [whatever] [spurts] [on it] [in a [holy] Place]. ²⁸[And a Container] {of} [Earthenware] [in] [which] [it is cooked] [must be broken]; [but if] [it was cooked] [in a Container] [of Bronze], [then it must be thoroughly scoured] [and rinsed]. ²⁹[Every] [Male] [among The Priests] [must eat] [it]; [it] {is} [the holiest] [of Holy Things]. ³⁰[But any] [Sin Offering] [of which] [some of its Blood] [has been brought in] [to] [The Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time] [to cover up sin] [in The Holy Place] [must [not] be eaten]. [It must be burned up] [in The Fire]."

(Leviticus 6:8–30) —my interim translation

¹"**[Now This] {is} [{the} Teaching regarding] [The Guilt Offering]:** [It] {is} [{the} holiest] [of {the} Holy Things]. ²[They must slaughter] [The Guilt Offering] [in {the} Place] [where] [they slaughter] [The Burnt Offering], [and] [he must toss] [its Blood] [round about] [on top of] [The Altar]. ³[And] [he must present] [all of] [its Fat] [from it], ⁴[so] [he must remove] [The [two] Kidneys] [and] [The Fat] [that] {is} [on them] ([what] {is} [on] [The Fat Muscles]) [and] [The Lobe] [on] [The Liver] [along with] [The Kidneys]. ⁵[And [The Priest] must burn [them] as incense] [on The Altar] [as a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty]. [It] {is} [a Guilt Offering]. ⁶[Every] [Male] [among {the} Priests] [may eat it]. [It must be eaten] [in a [holy] Place]; [it] {is} [{the} holiest] [of {the} Holy Things]. ⁷[Like Sin Offering], [like Guilt

Offering]: [one] [Teaching] [{applies} to them]: [It will] [belong to] [The Priest] [who] [makes atonement] [with it].

⁸[And The Priest] [who presents] [a Man's] [Burnt Offering], [{the} Hide] [of The Burnt Offering] [that] [he presents] [will] [belong to] [{the} Priest]. ⁹[And every] [Cereal Offering] [that] [is baked] [in an Oven], [and every one] [that is made] [with a Griddle] [or with] [a Pan] [will] [belong to] [{the} Priest] [who presents] [it]. ¹⁰[And every] [Cereal Offering] [mixed] [with Oil] [or parched] [will] [belong to all] [{the} Sons of] [Aaron], [Each One] [the same as his Brother].

¹¹**[Now This] {is} [{the} Teaching regarding] [{the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings]** [that] [he must present] [to His Majesty]: ¹²[If] [he presents it] [along with] [Thanksgiving], [he must present]—[along with] [{the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Thanksgiving Offering]:

- (1) [unleavened] [Cakes] [mixed] [with Oil],
- (2) [unleavened] [Wafers] [anointed] [with Oil], and
- (3) [Cakes of] [well-mixed] [Finely Ground Flour] [mixed] [with Oil].

¹³[He must present] [his {thanksgiving} Offering] [along with] [Cakes of] [leavened] [Bread]—[along with] [a Communal [Thanksgiving] Sacrifice] [of his Peace Offerings]. ¹⁴[And he must present] [some of it]—[one] [of each] [Offering]—[as a Raised Offering] [to His Majesty]. [It will] [belong to] [{the} Priest] [who tosses] [{the} Blood] [of {the} Peace Offerings]. ¹⁵[But {the} Flesh] [of {the} Communal [Thanksgiving] Sacrifice] [of his Peace Offerings] [must be eaten] [on {the} Day] [of his Offering]. [He can [not] [let [any of it] rest] [until] [Morning].

¹⁶[But if] [his Offering] [of a Communal Sacrifice] {is} [an Offering for a Vow] [or] [a Freewill Offering], [it may be eaten] [on {the} Day] [that he presents] [his Communal Sacrifice], [and what remains] [of it] [may be eaten] [on {the} Next Day]. ¹⁷[But what remains] [of {the} Flesh] [of The Communal Sacrifice] [must be burned up] [in a Fire] [on [the third] Day]. ¹⁸[But if] [any of {the} Flesh] [of a Communal Sacrifice] [of his Peace Offerings] [should [intentionally] be eaten] [on [the third] Day], [it will [not] make amends for] [the one who presented] [it]. [It will [not] be reckoned] [to him]. [It will be] [Spoiled Meat], [and The Soul] [who eats] [any of it] [will bear] [his Reprehensible Act].

¹⁹[And The Flesh] [that] [has made contact] [with anything] [unclean] [can [not] be eaten]; [it must be

burned up] [in a Fire]. [But as for The Flesh] {that may be eaten}, [anyone] [who is clean] [may eat] [{the} Flesh]; ²⁰[but The Soul] [that] [eats] [{the} Flesh] [of a Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings] [that] [belong to His Majesty] [while his Uncleaness] {is} [on him], [That] [Soul] [will be cut off] [from its People]. ²¹[But {when} a Soul] [makes contact] [with any] [Unclean Thing]—[with {the} Uncleaness of] [Adam] [or] [with an [unclean] Beast] [or] [with any] [Disgusting [unclean] Thing]—[and eats] [some of {the} Flesh] [of {the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings] [that] [belong to His Majesty], [That] [Soul] [will be cut off] [from its People].”

²²[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying], ²³“[Speak] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Israel], [saying]: ‘[You must [not] eat] [any] [Fat] [of an Ox] [or a Sheep] [or a Goat]. ²⁴[Now {the} Fat] [of a Carcass] [and {the} Fat] [of Something Torn to Pieces] [can be made {use of}] [by any] [Occupation]; [but you must [definitely] [not] eat it], ²⁵[because] [anyone] [who eats] [{the} Fat] [from] [The Beast] [from] [which] [he presents] [a Fire Offering] [to His Majesty], [The Soul] [who eats {it}] [will also be cut off] [from its People]. ²⁶[And [you must [not] eat] any] [Blood] [of Flyer] [or of Beast] [in any of] [{your} Places of Habitation]. ²⁷[Any] [Soul] [that] [eats] [any] [Blood], [That] [Soul] [will also be cut off] [from its People].”

²⁸[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying], ²⁹“[Speak] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Israel], [saying]: “[The one who presents] [{the} Communal Sacrifice] [of his Peace Offerings] [to His Majesty] [must bring] [his Offering] [to His Majesty] [as part of a Communal Sacrifice] [of his Peace Offerings]. ³⁰[His Hands] [must bring] [{the} Fire Offerings of] [His Majesty]—[The Fat] [along with] [The Brisket]. [He must bring it]—[The Brisket]—[to move [it] side to side] [as a Wave Offering] [in front of] [His Majesty]. ³¹[And [The Priest] must burn [The Fat] as incense] [on the Altar], [but [The Brisket] will] [belong to Aaron] [and his Sons]. ³²[And] [you must give] [the right] [Thigh] [to {the} Priest] [as a Raised Offering] [from {the} Communal Sacrifices of] [your Peace Offerings]. ³³[The right] [Thigh] [will be] [{the} Portion] [{that} belongs to] [{the} one of {the} Sons of] [Aaron] [who presents] [{the} Blood] [and] [The Fat], ³⁴[because] [I have taken] [{the} Brisket] [as The Wave Offering] [and] [{the} Thigh] [as The Raised Offering] [from] [{the} Sons of] [Israel]—[from {the} Communal Sacrifices of] [their Peace Offerings]—[and I have given] [them] [to Aaron], [The Priest], [and to his Sons] [from] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [as an [eternally burning] Statute].’

³⁵[This] {is} [{the} Anointing of] [Aaron] [and {the} Anointing of] [his Sons] [because of {the} Fire Offerings of] [His Majesty] [on {the} Day] [he presented] [them] [to serve as priests] [to His Majesty]—³⁶[what] [His Majesty] [commanded {them}] [to give] [to them] [on {the} Day] [He anointed] [them] [as part of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [as an [eternally burning] Statute] [throughout their Generations].

³⁷[This] {is} [The Teaching] [concerning a Burnt Offering], [concerning a Cereal Offering], [and concerning a Sin Offering], [and concerning a Guilt Offering], [and concerning an Ordination Offering], [and concerning a Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offerings]—³⁸[what] [His Majesty] [commanded] [Moses] [at Mount] [Sinai] [on {the} Day] [he commanded] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [to present] [their Offerings] [to His Majesty] [in {the} Wilderness] [of Sinai].”

(Leviticus 7:1–38) —my interim translation

Here’s the short version of what the sacred rituals of *The Teaching of Moses* are depicting in *parabolic pantomime*: The burnt offering depicts *Corporate Israel* as a sacrifice. He has already been sacrificed and burned by the same supernatural fire that ignited the fire on the altar (Lev. 10:1–2). But there are specific parts of the other sacrifices that have not yet been offered up as a “fire offering.” One of those parts is the brisket, which is the part of the sacrifice of *Corporate Israel* that is yet to be offered up to God as a “wave offering.” That is the significance of the *parabolic pantomime* in which the Levites were offered up as a “wave offering” from *Corporate Israel* (think Jesus Christ) as a sacrifice.

So now we come down to the End of the Age, and the fire of God is getting ready to lash out and consume this generation just as it did Nadab and Abihu way back then. It will strike suddenly, appearing in the same pillar and cloud formation it did when the sons of Israel made their Exodus from Egypt on that night so long ago. Those who are not expecting it will be absolutely terrified, not knowing what to think as the world goes up in the flames of that supernatural fire. The “Levites” will welcome it with open arms, knowing it is happening just as Jesus said it would:

“[And] [at that time], [they will see] [THE] [SON] [OF THE] [MAN] [COMING BACK] [IN] [CLOUDS] [with] [a Lot] [of Supernatural Power] [and] [Glory].”
(Mark 13:26) —HSSB ■



The Voice of Elijah® publishes articles based on the findings of The Elijah Project, a private research group headed by Larry D. Harper. In this column we seek answers to general-interest questions concerning the findings, purpose, and philosophy of this project.

Editor: *A man sent in a question that several others have asked previously concerning The Teaching:*

"I have bought most of the books and received all of your booklets, but still have not seen 'the Teaching.' Mr. Harper seems to beat around the bush but never gets there. Am I missing it? Please advise."

What is your advice to this person?

Elijah: My first bit of advice would be to stop looking for *The Teaching* in all the wrong places. Some of it is in the books and booklets; some of it is in the past issues of this newsletter, but most of what I have explained so far can be found in the pages of *The Voice of Elijah® Update*. And I should warn everyone that it won't be easy to put together simply because I have intentionally scattered bits and pieces here and there to make folks wade through a whole lot of ridicule and mockery designed to turn back "easy believers" who take offense at what I say because, for them, the Truth of what I say hits too close to home. But I also scattered it around because I know there are a whole lot of numbskulls and knuckleheads out there who want to be "spoon fed" the Truth so that they can turn around and reject it without much thought or effort. That ain't gonna happen on my watch. If someone doesn't have enough desire for an understanding of the Truth to

read 119 issues of this newsletter and 222 issues of *The Update*, all the while putting up with me ranting, raving, and ridiculing the stupidity of those who have no real interest in the Truth, I have not been called to make it easy for them to understand anything God called me to teach. They are nothing more than the people Jesus warned His disciples about in this verse:

"[Do [not] give] [what is] [holy] [to The] [Dogs] [or] [throw] [your] [Pearls] [in front] [of The] [Pigs], [lest perhaps] [they might trample on] [them] [with] [their] [Feet] [and]—[after turning around]—[rip [you] apart]."
(Matthew 7:6) —HSSB

When I am asked a question that indicates someone expects me to make understanding the Truth easy for them, my mind immediately goes to these verses:

*[A Lazy Person] [desires {this world}]
[so [his Soul] has nothing],
[But {the} Soul] [of those who are sharp]
[will become saturated].*
(Proverbs 13:4) —my interim translation

*[{The} Lazy Person] [hid] [his Hand] [in {the} Dish];
[He will [not] [even] bring it back] [to] [his Mouth].*
(Proverbs 19:24) —my interim translation

¹⁴*[The Door] [will turn] [on] [its Hinge],
[And a Lazy Person] [on] [his Cot].*
¹⁵*[{The} Lazy Person] [hid] [his Hand] [in {the} Dish];
[He had a hard time] [bringing it back] [to] [his Mouth].*
¹⁶*[{The} Lazy Person] {is} [wiser] [in his {own} Eyes]
[Than seven] [who bring back] [Something Tasty].*
(Proverbs 26:14–16) —my interim translation

It isn't obvious on superficial reading, but the Book of Proverbs is mocking fools by *talking about "The Way"* that they so readily disregard and discard—that is, "*The Way*" that Moses taught. But it does so cryptically, in statements that cannot be understood if one does not first know the basic message of the Hebrew Scriptures. What I just stated is a perfect example of what I *mean*. If one does not know that Moses and the Prophets of Israel all refer to *The Teaching of Moses* as "*The Way*," they entirely miss the point of what I said.

The more intelligent among the unregenerate can grasp individual pieces of the Truth, but they cannot

put them all together because they can't wrap their mind around the *significance* of the individual pieces as part of an integrated, logical, and comprehensive whole. That is the point of what Jesus told Nicodemus in this passage:

¹[Now] [there was] [a Man], [one] [of The] [Pharisees], [whose] [Name] {was} [Nicodemus]—[a Ruler] [of The] [Jews]. ²[This Individual] [came] [to] [Him] [at Night] [and] [said] [to Him], "[Rabbi], [we are aware] [that] [You have come] [from] [God] [as a Teacher]; [for] [nobody] [can] [do] [These] [Signs] [that] [You] [are doing] [if] [The] [{Living} God] [is] [not] [with] [Him]."

³[Jesus] [responded] [and] [said] [to him], "[Without doubt]! [Without doubt] [I tell] [You], [if] [one] [has] [not] [been engendered] [from up above], [he can] [not] [see] [The] [Kingdom] [of The] [{Living} God]."

⁴[Nicodemus] [says] [to] [Him]: "[How] [can] [a Man] [who is] [aged*] [be engendered]? [He can] [not] [go in] [to] [The] [Belly] [of] [his] [Mother] [a Second Time] [and] [be engendered]!"

⁵[Jesus] [responded]: "[Without doubt]! [Without doubt] [I tell] [You], [if] [one] [has] [not] [been engendered] [by] [Water] [and] [Spirit], [he can] [not] [come in] [to] [The] [Kingdom] [of The] [{Living} God]. ⁶[The thing that] [has been engendered] [by] [The] [Flesh] [is] [Flesh], [and] [the thing that] [has been engendered] [by] [The] [Spirit] [is] [Spirit]. ⁷[You should] [not] [be amazed] [that] [I told] [You], '[You] [have] [to be engendered] [from up above].'⁸[The] [Spirit] [blows] [where] [He wants], [and] [You hear] [His] [Voice], [but] [you are] [not] [aware of] [where] [He comes] [from] [and] [where] [He is going]. [Anyone] [who] [is engendered] [by] [The] [Spirit] [is going to be] [like this]."

⁹[Nicodemus] [responded] [and] [said] [to Him], "[How] [can] [These Things] [be]?"

¹⁰[Jesus] [responded] [and] [said] [to him]: "[You] [are] [The] [Teacher] [of] [Israel], [and] [You do] [not] [know] [These Things]? ¹¹[Without doubt]! [Without doubt], [I tell] [You] [that] [We talk about] [the things that] [We are aware of]; [and] [We provide testimony about] [the things that] [We have seen], [yet] [you are] [not] [accepting] [Our] [Testimony]. ¹²[If] [I have told] [You] [about] [the things] [on Earth] [and] [You do] [not] [believe] {Me}, [how] [would you believe] {Me} [if] [I told] [you] [about] [the things] [in Heaven]?"

(John 3:1–12) —HSSB

Jesus was mocking Nicodemus because he was a Pharisee, one of the men who were falsely claiming to be the legitimate teachers of Israel. Nicodemus didn't understand the *Kingdom of God* is the Spirit that is conveyed by *The Teaching of Moses*. So he didn't know it is not possible to be part of God's Kingdom if one has not been engendered by that Spirit. Lacking that Spirit, one will never be able to understand the more intricate things of the Spirit. Paul mentions that in this passage:

¹(1) [When] {I} [came] [to] [you], [Brothers],

(a) [I also] [did] [not] [come] [proclaiming] [The] [Mystery] [of The] [{Living} God] [to you] [with] [Superiority] [of Word] [or] [Wisdom]. ²[For] [I decided] [not] [to know] [anything] [among] [you] [except] [Jesus], [The Anointed One]—[and] [This Individual] [crucified].

³(b) [I also] [came] [to] [you]

(i) [with] [an Infirmary] [and]

(ii) [with] [Fear] [and]

(iii) [with] [a lot of] [Trembling].

⁴(2) [So] [my] [Word] [and] [my] [Preaching] {were}

(a) [not] [with] [persuasive*] [Words] [of Wisdom],

(b) [but] [with] [a Demonstration*] [of] {the} Spirit [and] [Supernatural Power], ⁵[so that] [your] [Belief in God's **Promise**] [would] [not] [be] [{based}]

(i) on [Men's] [Wisdom],

(ii) [but only] [on] [God's] [Supernatural Power].

⁶(3) [Now]

(a) [we do speak] [a Wisdom] [among] [those who are] [complete], [yet] [not] [{the} Wisdom]

(i) [of] [This] [Current Age] [nor]

(ii) [of The] [Rulers] [of] [This] [Current Age], [who] [are going to be] [abrogated]; ⁷[but]

(b) [we speak] [God's] [Wisdom], [which] [had been tucked away] [in]

(i) [a Mystery] [that] [The] [{Living} God] [decided on beforehand]—[before] [The] [Past Ages]—[as]

[our] [Glory];

⁸(ii) [{a mystery} that] [none] [of The] [Rulers] [of] [This] [Current Age] [has known]; [for] [they] [would] [not] have crucified] [The] [Master] [of our] [Glory] [if] [they had known {it}]. ⁹[But] (iii) {a mystery} [just as] [it has been written]:

“[WHAT] [EYE] [HAS [NEVER] SEEN]
[AND] [EAR] [HAS [NEVER] HEARD]
[AND] [WHAT HAS [NEVER] COME UP]
[ON] [A MAN’S] [HEART]
{IS} [WHAT] [THE] [{Living} GOD] [HAS PRE-
PARED] [FOR THOSE WHO] [LOVE] [HIM].”

¹⁰(4) [Yet] [The] [{Living} God] [has revealed {those things}] [to us] [via] [The] [Spirit];

(a) [for] [The] [Spirit] [searches] [everything], [even] [The] [Depths] [of The] [{Living} God].

¹¹(b) [For] [who] [among Men] [is aware of] [the {thoughts}] [of The] [Man] [except] [The] [Spirit] [of The] [Man] [that is] [in] [him]? [So] [also] [nobody] [knows] [the {thoughts}] [of The] [{Living} God] [except] [The] [Spirit] [of The] [{Living} God].

¹²(i) [So] [we] [did [not] receive] [The] [Spirit] [of The] [World], [but] [The] [Spirit] [that is] [from] [The] [{Living} God], [so that] [we would be aware of] [the things that] [have been granted to [us] as a favor] [by] [The] [{Living} God], ¹³[which things] [we [also] talk about]—[not] [in] [Words] [taught] [by human] [Wisdom], [but only] [in {words}] [taught] [by {the} Spirit], [{words} that compare [Spiritual Things] to] [Spiritual Things].

¹⁴(ii) [But] [a soulish Man] [does [not] accept] [the things] [of The] [Spirit] [of The] [{Living} God], [for] [it is] [Stupidity] [to him], [so] [he is [not] able] [to know] [that] [he is being interrogated] [spiritually].

¹⁵(iii) [But] [the] [spiritual {Man}] [examines] [Every Last Thing], [yet] [He] [is [not] going to be interrogated] [by {anybody}].

¹⁶(c) [FOR] [WHO] [HAS KNOWN] [HIS MAJESTY’S] [MIND]? {WHO IS} [THE ONE WHO] [WILL PUT IT ALL TOGETHER FOR] [HIM]? [But then] [we] [have] [{the} Mind] [of The Anointed One].

(1 Corinthians 2:1–16) —HSSB

The upshot of it all is, I have no interest in teaching anything to anyone who has only an intellectual curiosity about the things that I teach. That is the case because those are not the folks that God called me to reach with the Truth.

Editor: *Two questions have been asked on the topic of impurity:*

Why is a woman impure in her menstrual days, and why is a person who touches a dead body impure?

The lady who sent these questions would like any newsletter references where you have already explained these; and if you haven’t yet written on these particular impurities, will you do so now?

Elijah: I explained the purpose of the first sacred ritual (parabolic pantomime) she mentions in the article I wrote for the March 2020 **Update**. I will briefly summarize the explanation I gave there and then go on to explain the purpose of the second parabolic pantomime. The “law” (teaching) governing the sacred ritual (parabolic pantomime) related to menstrual impurity is outlined in this passage:

¹⁶“[Also, [when] [an emission] [of Semen] goes out] [from] [a Man], [then he must bathe] [all] [his Flesh] [in Water]. [And he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ¹⁷[Also, any] [Clothing] [and any] [Leather] [on] [which] [there is] [an Emission] [of Semen] [must also be washed] [in Water]. [And it will be unclean] [until] [The Evening].

¹⁸[Also, a Woman] [with] [whom] [a Man] [lies down] [with] [an Emission] [of Semen], [they must wash] [in Water]. [And they will be unclean] [until] [The Evening].

¹⁹[Also, a Woman], [when] [she is] [flowing] [Blood]—[her Flow] [is] [in her Flesh]—[she will be] [in her Impurity] [seven] [Days], [and everyone] [who touches] [her] [will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ²⁰[Also, everything] [on] [which] [she lies down] [during her Impurity] [will be unclean]; [and everything] [on] [which] [she sits] [will be unclean]. ²¹[Also, Anyone] [who touches] [her Bed] [must wash] [his Clothes] [and bathe] [in Water]. [And he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ²²[Also, Anyone] [who touches] [any] [Thing] [on] [which] [she sits] [must wash] [his Clothes] [and

bathe] [in Water]. [And he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ²³[Also, if] [he] {is} [on] [The Bed] [or] [on] [The Thing] [on] [which] [she sits], [by it touching] [him], [he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening].

²⁴[Also, if] [a Man] [actually] [lies down] [with her] [so that [her Impurity] is] [on him], [then he will be unclean] [seven] [Days]; [and all of] [The Bed] [on] [which] [he lies down] [will be unclean]. ²⁵[Also, a Woman], [when] [the Flow] [of her Blood] [flows] [many] [Days]—[not {just} in] [the Time] [of her Impurity]—[or] [when] [she flows] [beyond] [her Impurity], [all] [the Days of] [the Flow] [of her Uncleaness] [will be] [like the Days of] [her Impurity]. [She] {is} [unclean]. ²⁶[All of] [The Bed] [on] [which] [she lies down] [all] [the Days of] [her Flow] [will be] [for her] [like the Bed of] [her Impurity], [and all of] [The Thing] [on] [which] [she sits] [will be] [unclean]—[like the Uncleaness of] [her Impurity]. ²⁷[Also, Anyone] [who touches] [them] [will be unclean]; [and he must wash] [his Clothes] [and bathe] [in the Water]. [And he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ²⁸[But if] [she is cleansed] [from her Flow], [then she must count] [for herself] [seven] [Days], [and afterward] [she will be clean].”

(Leviticus 15:16–28) —my interim translation

After I quoted that passage in *The Update*, I explained the essence of what happened at the Fall. I then quoted Leviticus 12:1–8 and said this about that passage:

You should have gained two things from reading that passage. The first is, the Lord demanded the sacrifice of either a sheep or two birds to provide atonement for the woman’s “sin” of having children. The second is, the impartial God of all Creation prefers baby boys over baby girls. I don’t know about you; but if I didn’t know the point of the ritual, I would at least be thinking there must be more to the two passages I showed you than I had heretofore ever considered; and there is—a whole lot more.

You see, as I told you before, the Lord told Moses to institute the parabolic pantomimes of The Teaching of Moses to remind the sons of Israel of some part of The Teaching that Moses had explained orally. (See *The Mystery of Scripture*, Volume 1.) In this case, one part of The Teaching that the sacred rituals in the two passages that I showed you were supposed to evoke in the minds of the sons of Israel is precisely what I have already told you about the Fall of Adam and Eve: They

became sexually mature when they “ate” the words of Satan and began to die (age). God hated that sad circumstance; so He made these two rituals a part of The Teaching to remind everyone how we came to be here, in the realm of the dead. We are here because God told Adam and Eve precisely what would happen if they did what they did, and the Living Word of God made it so when they chose to believe God had lied to them. You had best remember that, because if you ever have a chance to hear the Truth that God has revealed in the Scriptures, don’t call Him a liar by rejecting it. If you do, you will live to regret it.

So that is the purpose of the sacred rituals that Moses instituted to teach concerning sexual intercourse and childbirth. But what about God’s seemingly biased preference for baby boys over baby girls? There is a really good reason for that as well; but it involves a dirty little secret that not only explains the difference in the rituals for the birth of male and female babies, it also explains why God let Adam off easy and came down on Eve like a pile driver, imposing both a physical and psychological curse that continues to plague every woman to this day, whether they are willing to admit it or not.

You see, Eve sinned first; so she began to die (age) first—before Adam. When she did, she immediately became sexually mature and started looking around for someone to fulfill her newborn desire. Who do you think she found standing right close by? No way! The only fellow available is this dorky kid who has no interest in sex. What’s a girl to do when she has a hankering for something? Why, go for it, of course! And knowing what had happened to her when she gave up the Truth, she enticed Adam into doing the same thing she had done. Voila! Here we are! Rutting like deer and snorting like bulls. Thanks, Eve.

(“Conniving Women! Listen Up! Your Time Has Come!” *The Voice of Elijah® Update*, March 2020, p. 20)

This is the passage to which I was referring when I wrote that:

¹[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]: ²“[Speak] [to] [the Sons of] [Israel], [saying]: ‘[A Woman], [when] [she is impregnated] [and engenders] [a Male], [then she will be unclean]. [She will be unclean] [seven] [Days], [like the Days of] [the Impurity of] [her menstruating*]. ³[But on The [eighth] Day], [The Flesh] [of his Foreskin] [must be circumcised]. ⁴[And [she must

sit] [in the Blood] [of her Cleansing] thirty]-[three] [Days]. [She must [not] touch] [any] [Holy Thing], [and she must [not] go in] [to] [The Sanctuary] [until] [the fulfilling of] [the Days of] [her Cleansing].

⁵[But if] [she engenders] [a Female], [then she will be unclean] [two sevens] [as her Impurity]. [And she must sit] [on] [the Blood] [of her Cleansing] [sixty]-[six] [Days].

⁶[And when [the Days of] [her Cleansing] are fulfilled]—[for a Son] [or] [for a Daughter]—[she must bring] [a [one]-[Year old]] Sheep [for a Burnt Offering] [and a Son] [of a Dove] [or] [a Turtledove] [for a Sin Offering] [to] [the Entrance of] [The Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]—[to] [The Priest]. ⁷[Then he must present it] [before] [His Majesty] [and make atonement] [for her]. [Then she will be cleansed] [from The Wellspring] [of her Blood]. [This] {is} [The Teaching] {concerning} [the {one} who gives birth]—[to a Male] [or] [to a Female]. ⁸[But if] [her Hand] [can [not] find] [Enough {for}] [a Lamb], [then she must take] [two] [Turtledoves] [or] [two] [Sons of] [a Dove]—[one] [for a Burnt Offering] [and one] [for a Sin Offering]—[and [The Priest] must make atonement] [for her], [and she will be clean].”

(Leviticus 12:1–8) —my interim translation

The point I made in the article I wrote for *The Update* is this: The *parabolic pantomimes* (sacred rituals) related to men and women becoming “unclean” via sexual intercourse, ejaculation, menstruation, and childbirth were all intended to remind the sons of Israel of the things that Moses had taught them regarding the sin of Adam and Eve. That is, Moses instituted the *sacred rituals* (parabolic pantomimes) related to *The Teaching of Moses* to emphasize the fact that bad things happen when—like Adam and Eve—one does not believe the Truth that God has stated plainly. The same thing applies to the *sacred ritual* described in the following passage:

¹[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]: ²“[Speak] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [and say] [to them]: ‘[When] [a Man] [or] [a Woman] [does something incomprehensible] [by making] [{the} Vow] [of a Devotee] [to be devoted] [to His Majesty], ³[he must be completely devoted], [away from Wine] [and Liquor]—[he can [not] drink] [wine] [Vinegar] [or a Vinegar] [of Liquor]; [and [he can [not] drink] any] [Juice* of] [Grapes], [and [he can [not] eat] [moist] [or dried up] Grapes]. ⁴[He can [not] consume] [any of anything] [that is] [made] [from a Vine]—[The

Wine] [from Unripe Grapes*] [or even] [Grape Skin*]—[all] [{the} Days of] [his Devotion].

⁵[A Razor] [must [not] pass over] [his Head] [all] [{the} Days of] [his [Vow of] Devotion]. [Until] [The Days] [that] [he is devoted] [to His Majesty] [are fulfilled], [he must be] [holy]; [he must let] [{the} Hair of the Head]—[{the} Hair] [of his Head]—grow]. ⁶[He can [not] come] [upon] [a Soul] [that has died] [all] [{the} Days] [he has completely devoted himself] [to His Majesty]. ⁷[For his Father] [or for his Mother], [for his Brother] [or for his Sister], [he can [not] make himself unclean] [for them] [when they die] [because] [Devotion] [to his God] {is} [on] [his Head]. ⁸[He is] [holy] [to His Majesty] [all] [{the} Days of] [his Devotion]. ⁹[And although] [the one who dies] [beside him] [may die] [suddenly], [in the blink of an eye], [he has {nevertheless} made] [{the} Head] [of his Devotion] unclean. [So he must shave] [his Head] [on {the} Day] [of his Cleansing]; [he must shave it] [on [the seventh] Day].

¹⁰[Then on [the eighth] Day], [he must bring] [two] [Turtledoves] [or] [two] [Sons of] [a Dove] [to] [The Priest] [at] [{the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. ¹¹[And [The Priest] must make] [one] [a Sin Offering] [and {the} other] [a Burnt Offering] [and make atonement] [for him] [with regard to] [committing sin] [against] [The Soul]. [So he must make] [his Head] holy] [on [That] Day], ¹²[and he must completely devote] [{the} Days of] [his Devotion] [to His Majesty]. [Then he must bring] [a [year]-[old] Sheep] [as a Guilt Offering], [and The [first] Days] [will fail] [because] [he made] [his Devotion] unclean].

¹³[Now This] {is} [{the} Teaching regarding] [The Devotee] [on {the} Day] [that] [{the} Days of] [his Devotion] are fulfilled]: [He must bring] [it] [to] [{the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. ¹⁴[And he must bring] [his Offering] [to His Majesty]—[one] [year]-[old male] [Sheep] [without defect] [as a Burnt Offering], [and [one] [year]-[old] Ewe Lamb] [without defect] [as a Sin Offering], [and [one] Ram] [without defect] [as a Peace Offering], ¹⁵[and a Basket] [of unleavened] [Cakes] [of Finely Ground Flour] [mixed] [with Oil], [and [unleavened] Wafers] [anointed] [with Oil], [as well as their Cereal Offerings] [and their Drink Offerings]. ¹⁶[Then [The Priest] must present {them}] [before] [His Majesty] [and make] [his Sin Offering] [and] [his Burnt Offering]. ¹⁷[And] [he must make] [The

Ram] [as {the} Communal Sacrifice] [of a Peace Offering] [to His Majesty], [along with] [{the} Basket] [of The Unleavened Bread].

¹⁸[Then [The Devotee] must shave] [{the} Head] [of his Devotion] [{at the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time], [and he must take] [{the} Hair] [of {the} Head] [of his Devotion] [and put {it}] [on] [The Fire] [that] {is} [under] [{the} Communal Sacrifice] [of The Peace Offering]. ¹⁹[Then [The Priest] must take] [The Front Leg] [from] [The Ram]—[when cooked]—[and [one] [unleavened] Cake] [from] [The Basket] [and [one] [unleavened] Wafer] [and put {them}] [on] [{the} Palms of] [The Devotee] [after] [he has shaved [his Devotion] off of himself]. ²⁰[Then [The Priest] must wave [them] side to side] [as a Wave Offering] [before] [His Majesty]. [It] {is} [a Holy Thing] [for {the} Priest], [along with] [{the} Brisket] [of The Wave Offering] [and along with] [{the} Thigh] [of The Raised Offering]. [And afterwards], [The Devotee] [may drink] [Wine].’

²¹[This] {is} [{the} Teaching regarding] [The Devotee] [who] [vows] [his Offering] [to His Majesty] [in accordance with] [his Devotion]—[besides] [whatever] [his Hand] [could attain]. [In accordance with what he said in] [his Vow] [that] [he made], [he must do] [the same] [in accordance with] [{the} Teaching regarding] [his Devotion].”

(Numbers 6:1–21) —my interim translation

That passage details the obligations of a person who has taken what is commonly called a “Nazirite” vow. I showed it to you so that you would be aware of the fact that a “Nazirite” could become unclean by doing nothing more untoward than being near someone who dies suddenly:

⁶“[He can [not] come] [upon] [a Soul] [that has died] [all] [{the} Days] [he has completely devoted himself] [to His Majesty]. ⁷[For his Father] [or for his Mother], [for his Brother] [or for his Sister], [he can [not] make himself unclean] [for them] [when they die] [because] [Devotion] [to his God] {is} [on] [his Head]. ⁸[He is] [holy] [to His Majesty] [all] [{the} Days of] [his Devotion]. ⁹[And although] [the one who dies] [beside him] [may die] [suddenly], [in the blink of an eye], [he has {nevertheless} made] [{the} Head] [of his Devotion] unclean].”

(Numbers 6:6–9) —my interim translation

In *The Teaching of Moses*, the mere proximity to dead people made people unclean. Keep that in mind, you need to know it. But did you notice what sacrifice the “Nazirite” had to offer to make up for his unhappy “sin” of seeing some sad sucker slip silently into the shadow of death? You didn’t? I’m disappointed in you. You should have. Go back and find it. Immediately! You need to know that. Better yet, I’ll show you:

¹⁰“[Then on [the eighth] Day], [he must bring] [two] [Turtledoves] [or] [two] [Sons of] [a Dove] [to] [The Priest] [at] [{the} Entrance] [of {the} Tent] [of {the} Appointed Time]. ¹¹[And [The Priest] must make] [one] [a Sin Offering] [and {the} other] [a Burnt Offering] [and make atonement] [for him] [with regard to] [committing sin] [against] [The Soul]. [So he must make [his Head] holy] [on [That] Day], ¹²[and he must completely devote] [{the} Days of] [his Devotion] [to His Majesty]. [Then he must bring] [a [year]-[old] Sheep] [as a Guilt Offering], [and The [first] Days] [will fail] [because] [he made [his Devotion] unclean].”

(Numbers 6:10–12) —my interim translation

Interesting, isn’t it? The fellow has to bring a sin offering, a burnt offering, and a guilt offering when all he did “wrong” was being in the wrong place at the right time. But you need to remember those three sacrifices, you will see them again; I promise. However, that’s not all you need to know. You first need to know a bit more about the “uncleanness” that dead things can somehow transfer to the living without even touching them. But if the living do touch them, a *ritual* washing is all that is needed to make them “clean” again. Take a look at this:

²⁴“[Also, [you can be made unclean] by these {creatures}]; [anyone] [who touches] [their Carcasses] [will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ²⁵[Also, anyone] [who picks up] [any of their Carcasses] [must wash] [his Clothes]; [and he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ²⁶[Concerning any one] [of the Beasts] [that] [is] [one that divides [a Hoof] in two] [but [it is not] one that splits {it} into] [a Cloven Hoof] [or [it is not] one that brings up] [Cud], [they {are}] [unclean] [to you]. [Anyone] [who touches] [them] [will be unclean].

²⁷[Also, anything] [that walks] [on its Paws] [among all] [The Animals] [that walk] [on] [four {feet}], [they {are}] [unclean] [to you]. [Anyone] [who touches]

[their Carcasses] [will be unclean] [until] [The Evening].
²⁸[And the one who picks up] [their Carcasses] [must wash] [his Clothes], [and he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]; [they are] [unclean] [to you].

²⁹[Now this {is}] [what {is} unclean] [to you] [among {the} Abundantly Reproducing Things] [that abundantly reproduce] [on] [The Earth]: [The Weasel] [and The Mouse*] [and The Great Lizard*]—[of its {various} Kinds]—³⁰[and The Gecko*] [and The Monitor Lizard*] [and The Lizard] [and The Sand Lizard] [and The Chameleon].

³¹[These are] [The Things That are Unclean] [to you] [among everything] [that reproduces abundantly]. [Anyone] [who touches] [them] [when they are dead] [will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ³²[And anything] [on] [which] [one of them] [falls] [when they are dead] [will be unclean]—[one of any] [Thing of] [Wood] [or] [Clothing] [or] [Leather] [or] [Sackcloth]—[every] [Thing] [by which] [Work] [is done] [must be inserted] [into Water]; [and it will be unclean] [until] [The Evening], [then it will be clean].

³³[Also, any] [earthenware] [Container] [into] [The Midst of] [which] [one of them] [falls], [everything] [that is] [in The Midst of it] [will be unclean], [so [you must break] it]. ³⁴[Out of every] [Thing That Is Eaten]—[that] [may be eaten]—[it will become unclean] [when] [Water] [passes] [over it]. [And every] [Thing That Is Drunk]—[that] [may be drunk]—[in any] [Container] [will be unclean].

³⁵[Also, anything] [on] [which] [some of their Carcass] [falls] [will be unclean]. [An Oven] [and a Furnace] [must be torn down]. [They are] [unclean], [so [they must be] unclean] [to you]. ³⁶[However], [a Natural Spring] [and a Pit]—[an Accumulation] [of Water]—[will be] [clean]; [but one who touches] [their Carcass] [will be unclean]. ³⁷[Also, when] [some of their Carcass] [falls] [on] [any] [Seed]—[Sown Seed], [what] [will be sown]—[it is clean]. ³⁸[But when] [Water] [is put] [on] [a Seed] [and [some of their Carcass] falls] [on it], [it is] [unclean] [to you].

³⁹[Also, when] [one of] [The Beasts] [that] [is] [Something [for you] to Consume] [dies], [the one who touches] [its Carcass] [will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. ⁴⁰[Also, the one who eats] [some of its Carcass] [must wash] [his Clothes]; [and he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening]. [And the one who picks up] [its Carcass] [must wash] [his Clothes], [and he will be unclean] [until] [The Evening].

⁴¹[But any] [Abundantly Reproducing Thing] [that reproduces abundantly] [on] [the Earth] {is} [a Disgusting Thing]. [It is] [not] [to be eaten]. ⁴²[Anything] [that walks] [on] [{its} Underbelly] [and anything] [that walks] [on] [four {legs}]—[as many as] [everything] [{with} many] [Feet] [of any] [Abundantly Reproducing Thing] [that abundantly reproduces] [on] [The Earth], [you must [not] eat them] [because] [they are] [a Disgusting Thing].

⁴³[You must [not] make [your Souls] disgusting] [by any] [Abundantly Reproducing Thing] [that abundantly reproduces], [so you will [not] make yourselves unclean] [by them] [so that you become unclean] [by them], ⁴⁴[because] [I am] [His Majesty] [your God]. [Make yourselves holy] [and be] [holy] [because] [I am] [holy]. [So you must [not] make [your Souls] unclean] [by any of] [The Abundantly Reproducing Thing] [that crawls] [on] [The Earth]. ⁴⁵[Because] [I am] [His Majesty], [the One Who brought [you] up] [out of {the} Land] [of Egypt] [to become] [your] [God] [so that you would be] [holy] [because] [I am] [holy]."

⁴⁶[This is] [{The} Teaching] [{concerning} The Beast] [and The Flyer] [and every] [Soul] [of The Living Thing] [that crawls] [in Water]—[even concerning every] [Soul] [of the one that abundantly reproduces] [on] [The Earth]—⁴⁷[to make a distinction] [between] [The One Who Is Unclean] [and the One Who Is Clean], [and between] [The Animal] [that can be eaten] [and The Animal] [that can [not] be eaten].

(Leviticus 11:24–47) —my interim translation

Now that you know *The Teaching of Moses* made a point of the fact that dead bodies make living bodies unclean, it's high time you took a closer look at the parabolic image of the "Nazirite." To my "way" of thinking, the following passage makes it sound a whole lot like that fellow was an ordinary sort who unwisely took some kind of priestly vow:

¹[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying],
²"[Speak] [to] [Aaron] [and to] [his Sons] [so that they are devoted to] [{the} Holy Things of] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [and do [not] pollute] [{the} Name] [of My Holy One], [Whom] [they] [are going to make holy] [for Me]; [I] {am} [His Majesty]. ³[Say] [to them]: '[Any] [Man] [of your Seed] [throughout your Generations] [who] [comes close] [to] [The Holy Things] [that] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [make holy] [for His Majesty] [and his Uncleaness] {is} [upon him], [then [That] [Soul] will be

cut off] [from before Me]; [I] {am} [His Majesty]. ⁴[Any] [Man] [from {the} Seed] [of Aaron], [when he] [is leprous] [or] [is oozing], [can [not] eat] [until] [he is cleansed]. ([Also the one who has made contact] [with any] [One Who Is Unclean from a Corpse], [or] [a Man] [from] [whom] [an Emission of] [Semen] [has gone out], ⁵[or] [a Man] [who] [has made contact] [with an Abundantly Reproducing Thing] [by] [which] [he has been made unclean] [or] [with a Descendant of Adam] [by] [whom] [he can been made unclean] [by any of] [his Uncleanness].) ⁶[A Soul] [who] [makes contact] [with him] [will be unclean] [until] [The Evening], [and he can [not] eat] [any of] [The Holy Things] [unless] [he washes] [his Flesh] [in Water]. ⁷[When [The Sun] has set], [then he will be clean]; [and afterwards] [he can eat] [any of] [The Holy Things], [because] [it] {is} [his Bread]. ⁸[He must [not] eat] [{the} Carcass {of an Animal}] [or Something Torn to Pieces] [to become unclean] [by it]; [I] {am} [His Majesty].”
(Leviticus 22:1–8)—my interim translation

Now that you know this business of what is “clean” and “unclean” involves some sort of invisible contagion that somehow contaminates a person via direct contact—or in some cases, just close proximity—it’s time to inquire as to the meaning and significance of the parabolic pantomimes, or if you insist, the sacred rituals, of the priestly cult that Moses established. When we look into that puzzle, we find the purpose of the parabolic pantomimes stated plainly in a context that links the sacred ritual of the “Nazirite” vow a bit closer to the priests:

⁸[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Aaron], [saying]:
⁹[You] [and Your Sons] [with you] [must [not] drink] [Wine] [or Liquor] [when you go in] [to] [{the} Tent] {of} [{the} Appointed Time], [so that you do [not] die].
{It is} [an [eternally burning] Statute]:

(1) [throughout your generations],

¹⁰(2) [and to make a distinction] [between] [The Holy Place] [and] [The Common Area], [and between] [the unclean] [and the clean],

¹¹(3) [and to teach] [{the} Sons] [of Israel] [all] [The Statutes] [that] [His Majesty] [spoke] [to them] [by {the} Hand] [of Moses].”

(Leviticus 10:8–11)—my interim translation

Did you see that? Now you know the Truth. All of those “do this; don’t do that” commandments that Moses instituted were intended to *teach* the sons of Israel things that God wanted them to know. Get it? What that *means* is this: You gain no benefit at all from doing the things that Moses commanded if you don’t know *why* you are doing them. Another way of saying that is something I have been telling you for nigh on thirty years: From God’s point of view, it ain’t *what* you do, it’s *why* you do it. So, if you didn’t know the angry God of Israel instituted the observance of the Sabbath as a constant reminder to the sons of Israel that the Lord’s Day—that is, the eternal Sabbath, the seventh “day” of Creation—is yet to come, you probably shouldn’t be insisting equally dimwitted folks warm the pew alongside your most ample backside. Here’s an old saw that still has teeth: “If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.” Just a thought. But I digress.

Here’s the remedy that *The Teaching of Moses* provides for removing the guilt associated with direct or indirect contact with something “unclean.” As you read the text, make note of the fact that the remedy covers the sin of betraying someone’s trust as well as lying about something:

¹[But [when] a Soul] [sins] [and has heard] [{the} Sound] [of an Oath] [so that he] {is} [a Witness]—[or] [he has seen {something}] [or] [knows {something}]—[if] [he does [not] tell {anyone}], [he will bear {guilt}] [{for} his Reprehensible Act]. ²[Or] [a Soul] [who] [makes contact] [with any] [unclean] [Thing]—[either] [{the} Carcass of] [an [unclean] Animal] [or] [{the} Carcass of] [an [unclean] Beast] [or] [{the} Carcass of] [an [unclean] Abundantly Reproducing Thing]—[and it is hidden] [from him] [but he] {is} [unclean], [then he will be held guilty]. ³[Or] [when] [he makes contact] [with {the} Uncleanness of] [Adam]—[any of] [his Uncleanness] [by] [which] [he can become unclean]—[and it is hidden] [from him], [but he] [comes to know], [then he will be held guilty]. ⁴[Or] [when] [a Soul] [swears an oath], [speaking thoughtlessly] [with {the} Lips] [about doing a bad thing] [or] [doing a good thing]—[about anything] [that] [The Descendant of Adam] [may speak thoughtlessly] [with a Sworn Oath]—[and it is hidden] [from him], [but he] [comes to know], [then he will be held guilty] [because of one] [of these].

⁵[So it will be] [when] [he feels guilty] [about one] [of these], [he must confess] [that by] [which] [he sinned].

⁶[Then he must bring] [his Guilt Offering] [to His Majesty] [on account of] [his Sin] [that] [he committed]: [a Female] [from] [The Flock]—[a Ewe Lamb*] [or] [a Shaggy Goat of] [{the} Female Goats]—[as a Sin Offering]. [And [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [because of his Sin]. ⁷[But if] [his Hand] [can [not] make contact with] [Enough for] [a Lamb or Kid] [then, [because] [he has sinned], he must bring] [as] [his Guilt Offering] [two] [Turtledoves] [or] [two] [young] [Doves], [one] [for a Sin Offering] [and one] [for a Burnt Offering].

⁸[And he must bring] [them] [to] [The Priest], [and he must present] [whatever] {is} [for {the} Sin Offering] [first]. [And he must wring off] [its Head] [right in front of] [its Neck], [but he must [not] separate {it}]. ⁹[Then he must sprinkle] [some of {the} Blood] [of The Sin Offering] [on] [{the} Vertical Surface] [of The Altar], [but what remains] [of {the} Blood] [must be drained out] [at] [{the} Base] [of The Altar]; [it] {is} [a Sin Offering]. ¹⁰[Then] [he must make] [The Second] [a Burnt Offering] [in accordance with {the} Judgment]. [So [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [because of his Sinful Act] [that] [he committed], [and it will be forgiven] [him].

¹¹[But if] [his Hand] [can [not] attain] [two] [Turtledoves] [or] [two] [Doves], [then, [because] [he has sinned], he must bring] [as] [his Offering] [a Tenth of] [The **Ephah**] [of Finely Ground Flour] [as a Sin Offering]. [He must [not] place] [Oil] [on it], [and he must [not] put] [Frankincense] [on it]. ¹²[Then he must bring it] [to] [The Priest], [and [The Priest] must take a fistful]—[{the} Fullness] [of his Full Fist]—[as] [a Memorial Offering] [and burn {it} as incense] [at The Altar], [along with] [{the} Fire Offerings of] [His Majesty]; [it] {is} [a Sin Offering]. ¹³[So [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [on account of] [his Sinful Act] [that] [he committed] [because of one] [of these], [and it will be forgiven] [him], [but it will belong] [to {the} Priest] [the same as {the} Cereal Offering].”

¹⁴[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]: ¹⁵“[When] [a Soul] [commits] [a Betrayal of Trust] [and [inadvertently] sins] [against [His Majesty’s] Holy Things], [then he must bring] [to His Majesty] [as] [his Guilt Offering] [a Ram] [from] [The Flock], [without defect], [by Your Valuation] [{in} silver] [**Shekels**]—[by {the} **Shekel**] [of The Holy Place]—[as a Guilt Offering]. ¹⁶[But] [he must settle up for] [how] [he sinned] [against] [The Holy Place], [so] [he must add] [a Fifth] [to it] [and give] [it] [to {the} Priest]. [Then The Priest] [must make

atonement] [for him] [with {the} Ram] [of The Guilt Offering], [and it will be forgiven] [him].

¹⁷[But if], [when] [a Soul] [sins] [and does] [one] [of all] [{the} Commandments] [of His Majesty] [that] [are [not] to be done] [and does [not] know {it}], [then he will be held guilty] [and he will bear] [his Reprehensible Act]. ¹⁸[So he must bring] [a Ram] [without defect] [from] [The Flock] [to] [The Priest] [by Your Valuation] [as a Guilt Offering], [and [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [regarding] [his Inadvertence]—[what he sinned in ignorance]—[and it will be forgiven] [him]. ¹⁹[It] {is} [a Guilt Offering]; [he was [most definitely] guilty] [before His Majesty].”

(Leviticus 5:1–19) —my interim translation

¹[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying]: ²“[When] [a Soul] [sins] [and commits] [a Betrayal of Trust] [against His Majesty] [and lies] [about a Member of his People]—[about a Deposit] [or] [about Something Entrusted into] [his Hand] [or] [about someone who has robbed] [or] [short-changed] [a Member of his People] ³[or] [he has found] [Something That Was Lost] [and lied] [about it] [and sworn an oath] [concerning] [{the} Falsehood]—[concerning] [one] [of anything] [that] [The Descendants of Adam] [may do] [to sin] [by them]; ⁴[then it will be that], [when] [he sins] [and feels guilty], [he must return] [what was taken by force] [to whomever] [he took {it} by force] [or] [The Short-changing] [to whomever] [he short-changed] [or] [The Deposit] [to whomever] [he levied] [with it] [or] [The Thing That Was Lost] [that] [he found] ⁵[or] [one of anything] [about] [which] [he swore an oath] [to a Falsehood]; [and he must settle up] [with him] [as a Start]. [But [he must add] a Fifth of it] [to it]; [he must give it] [to whomever] [it] [belongs] [on {the} Day] [of his Guilt Offering]. ⁶[And] [he must bring] [to] [The Priest] [for His Majesty] [as his Guilt Offering] [a Ram] [from] [The Flock] [without defect] [by Your Valuation] [as a Guilt Offering]. ⁷[Then [The Priest] must make atonement] [for him] [before] [His Majesty] [and it will be forgiven] [for him] [concerning] [one of] [anything] [that] [he may do] [to incur guilt] [by it].”

(Leviticus 6:1–7) —my interim translation

I’m not going to get into the nitty-gritty nuts and bolts of the parabolic pantomime (sacred ritual) of the “guilt offering.” It’s enough that you know that a “guilt offering” atoned for not only the “sin” of inadvertently becoming “unclean,” but also for the most heinous of

all sins—the sin of *ma'al*, which was a betrayal of someone's trust. The apex of that sin was the betrayal of the Lord's trust. That's the sin for which a simple-minded fellow named Achan proved himself worthy of a trophy for being the most stupendously stupid member of Corporate Israel in his day:

¹[Now Jericho] [was shut up], [and it had been shut up] [because of] [the] Sons of [Israel]. [Nobody] [was going out], [and nobody] [was coming in]. ²[Then [His Majesty] said] [to] [Joshua]: “[See], [I have given] [Jericho] [and] [its King]—[the] **Gibbors** of [The Entourage]—[into Your Hand], ³[so you—[all] [The [Men of] War]—must go around] [The City]—[make a complete circle around] [The City] [one] [Time]. [This is what] [You must do] [for] six] [Days]. ⁴[And seven] [Priests] [must carry] [the] seven] [Trumpets] [of The Rams' Horns] [in front of] [The Coffin]; [and on [the seventh] Day], [you must go around] [The City] [seven] [Times]. [Then The Priests] [must blow] [on the] Trumpets], ⁵[and it will happen] [when [The Ram's Horn] draws out {a sound}] [on the] Horn]—[when you hear] [the] Sound] [of The Trumpet]—[all] [The People] [must sound] [a [loud] **Teruah**]. [Then [the] Wall of] [The City] will fall down] [under itself] [so [The People] can climb up {over it}], [Each One] [right in front of him].”

⁶[So [Joshua], [the] Son] [of Nun], called out] [to] [The Priests] [and said] [to them], “[You must carry] [the] [Coffin] [of The Legal Agreement], [and seven] [Priests] [must carry] [the] seven] [Trumpets] [of Rams' Horns] [in front of] [the] Coffin] [of His Majesty].”

⁷[Then he said] [to] [The People], “[Cross over] [and go around] [The City], [and the {unit} that is armed for war] [must cross over] [in front of] [the] Coffin] [of His Majesty].”

⁸[Then it happened] [just as [Joshua] had said] [to] [The People]. [The [seven] Priests] [who were carrying] [the] seven] [Trumpets of] [The Rams' Horns] [crossed over] [in front of] [His Majesty] [and blew] [on the] Trumpets]. [And the] Coffin] [of the] Legal Agreement] [of His Majesty] [was coming {along}] [behind them]. ⁹[So the {unit} armed for war] [was walking] [in front of] [The Priests] [who were blowing] [The Trumpets]—[walking] [and blowing] [on the] Trumpets]—[and the {unit} that had been formed as a rear guard] [was walking] [behind] [The Coffin].

¹⁰[Now] [Joshua] [had commanded] [The People], [saying]: “[You must [not] sound a **teruah**], [and you

must [not] make [your Voice] heard], [and [a Word] must [not] come] [out of your Mouth] [until] [the] Day] [I tell] [you], ‘[Sound a **teruah**!’] [Then you must sound a **teruah**].” ¹¹[So [the] Coffin] [of His Majesty] went around] [The City], [making a complete circle] [one] [Time]; [then they came into] [The Camp] [and remained overnight] [in the] Camp].

¹²[Then [Joshua] got up early] [in the] Morning], [and [The Priests] picked up] [the] Coffin] [of His Majesty]. ¹³[And The [seven] Priests] [who were carrying] [the] seven] [Trumpets of] [The Rams' Horns] [were walking] [deliberately] [in front of] [the] Coffin] [of His Majesty] [and blowing] [on the] Trumpets]—[walking] [and blowing] [on the] Trumpets]—[and the {unit} that was armed for war] [was walking] [in front of them] [and the {unit} that had been formed as a rear guard] [was walking] [behind] [the] Coffin] [of His Majesty].

¹⁴[So they went around] [The City] [one] [Time] [on [the second] Day] [and returned] [to The Camp]. [This is what] [they did] [for] six] [Days]. ¹⁵[Then it happened] [on [the seventh] Day] [that they got up early]—[when [The Dawn] came]—[and went around] [The City] [seven] [Times] [in accordance with [This] Decision]. [They [only] went around] [The City] [seven] [Times] [on [That] Day]. ¹⁶[Then it happened] [on [the seventh] Time], [The Priests] [blew] [on the] Trumpets], [and [Joshua] told] The People: “[Sound a **teruah**!] [Because] [His Majesty] [has given] [us] [The City], ¹⁷[but [The City] has been] [placed under the ban]. [It] [and all] [that] {is} [in it] [belongs to His Majesty]. [Only] [Rahab] [The **Zonah**], [she] [and all] [who] {are} [with her] [in the] House], [can live], [because] [she hid out] [The Messengers] [that] [we sent]. ¹⁸[But [only] keep] [yourself] [away from] [The Things Under the Ban], [so that] [you do [not] put yourselves under the ban] [and take] [some of] [The Things Under the Ban] [and place] [The] [Camp] [of Israel] [under the ban] [and cause trouble for] [it]. ¹⁹[So {as for} all] [Silver] [and Gold] [and Things of] [Bronze] [and Iron], [that] {is} [holy] [to His Majesty]; [it will go into] [the] Treasure] [of His Majesty].”

²⁰[So [The People] sounded a **teruah**], [and they blew] [on the] Trumpets]. [Then it happened that], [when [The People] heard] [The Sound] [of The Trumpet], [The People] [sounded] [a [loud] **Teruah**], [and [The Wall] fell down] [under itself], [and [The People] climbed up {over it}] [into The City], [Each One] [right in front of himself], [and they captured] [The City]. ²¹[And they put [everything] [that] {was} [in the] City] under the

ban]—[from Man] [to] [Woman], [from Youth] [to] [Old Man], [to] [Ox], [to] [Lamb], [to] [Jackass]—[with {the} Edge] [of a Sword].

²²[Then [Joshua] [said] to the two] [Men] [who had reconnoitered] [The Land]: “[Go into] [{the} House] [of The Woman], [The **Zonah**], [and bring [The Woman] [and] [all] [who] [belong to her] out] [of there], [just as] [you swore an oath] [to her]. ²³[So [The Youths] [who had reconnoitered] went in] [and brought out] [Rahab] [and] [her Father] [and] [her Mother] [and] [her Brother] [and] [all] [who] [belonged to her]—[even] [all] [her Families]. [They brought {them} out] [and made them rest] [on The Outside of] [{the} Camp] [of Israel]. ²⁴[Then [they burned up] The City] [and all] [that] {was} [in it] [with Fire]. [They put] [only] [The Silver] [and The Gold] [and [the bronze] [and Iron] Things] [{in the} Treasure] [of {the} House] [of His Majesty]. ²⁵[But] [Joshua] [let [Rahab], [The **Zonah**], [and] [her Father’s] [House] [and] [all] [who] [belonged to her] live]; [and she has lived] [in The Midst of] [Israel] [up to] [This] [Day], [because] [she hid out] [The Messengers] [that] [Joshua] [sent] [to reconnoiter] [Jericho].

²⁶[Then [Joshua] swore an oath] [at [That] Time], [saying]: “[The Man] [who] [gets up] [and builds] [This] [City] [Jericho] {will be} [irrevocably cursed] [before] [His Majesty]. [He will found it] [with his Firstborn] [and [set up] [its Doors] with his youngest].” ²⁷[So [His Majesty] was] [with] [Joshua], [and [his Fame] was] [throughout all] [The Land].

(Joshua 6:1–27) —my interim translation

¹[But [the Sons of] [Israel] committed] [a Betrayal of Trust] [with regard to The Ban] [when [Achan], [Son] [of Carmi], [Son] [of Zabdi], [Son] [of Zerah], [of the Twig] [of Judah], took] [some of] [The Things That Were Under the Ban]. [So [His Majesty’s] [Anger] was inflamed] [against {the} Sons of] [Israel].

²[Then [Joshua] sent] [Men] [from Jericho] [{to} Ai], [which] {is}—[along with] [Beth-aven]—[toward **Qedem**] [from Bethel]; [and he spoke] [to them], [saying], “[Go up] [and reconnoiter] [The Land].”

[So [The Men] went up] [and reconnoitered] [Ai]. ³[Then they returned] [to] [Joshua] [and said] [to him], “[All] [The People] [must [not] go up]; [about two thousand] [Men]—[or] [three] [thousand] [Men]—[can go up] [and viciously attack] [Ai]; [You must [not] tire out] [all] [The People] [there], [because] [they {are}] [just a few].”

⁴[So [some of] [The People]—[about three] [thousand] [Men]—went up] [there], [but they fled] [before] [{the} Men of] [Ai]. ⁵[And [{the} Men of] [Ai] viciously attacked] [some of them]—[about thirty]-[six] [Men]. [Then they avidly pursued them] [from in front of] [The Gate] [as far as] [Shebarim*] [and viciously attacked them] [on {the} Steep Slope], [so [{the} Heart] [of The People] was dissolved] [and became] [like Water].

⁶[Then [Joshua] tore] [his Cloak] [and fell down] [to {the} Earth] [on] [his Face] [in front of] [{the} Coffin] [of His Majesty] [until] [The Evening]—[he] [and {the} Elders of] [Israel]; [and they put [Dirt] up] [on] [their Head]. ⁷[Then [Joshua] said]: “[Oh! No!] [My Master], [Your Majesty], [why] [did You [insist on] making [This] [People] cross over] [The Jordan]? [To turn [us] over] [into {the} Hand] [of The Amorites]? [To send us to Hell]? [If only] [we had been pleased to {stay}]—[and had stayed]—[in {the} Area Beyond] [The Jordan]! ⁸[Excuse me], [My Master], [what] [can I say] [after] [Israel] [turned] [The Back of the Neck] [before] [His Enemies]? ⁹[Now [The Canaanites] [and all] [{the} Inhabitants of] [The Land] will hear about {it}], [and they will surround] [us] [and cut off] [our Name] [from] [The Earth]. [So what] [will You do] [about Your [great] Name]?”

¹⁰[Then [His Majesty] said] [to] [Joshua]: “[Get up]! [What is it] [with You], [falling down] [on] [Your Face]? ¹¹[Israel] [has sinned]! [And

(1) they have, [indeed], crossed over] [My Legal Agreement], [the one that] [I commanded] [them]; [and

(2) they have, [indeed], taken] [some of] [The Things Under the Ban]; [and

(3) they have, [indeed], stolen {it}]; [and

(4) they have, [indeed], denied the truth about {it}]; [and

(5) they have, [indeed], put {it}] [with their Things].

¹²[So [{the} Sons of] [Israel] will [not] be able] [to stand up] [before] [their Enemies]; [they will face toward] [The Back of {their} Neck] [before] [their Enemies], [because] [they have become] [The One Who Is Under the Ban]. [I will [not] continue] [to be] [with you] [if] [you do [not] wipe out] [from your midst] [The One Who Is Under the Ban]. ¹³[Get up]! [Make [The People] holy], [then say]: ‘[Make yourselves holy] [for Tomorrow], [because] [This is what] [His Majesty], [{the} God of] [Israel], [has said]: “[One Who Is Under the Ban] {is} [in

Your midst], [O Israel]. [You will [not] be able] [to stand up] [before] [Your Enemies] [until] [you remove] [The One Under the Ban] [from your midst]."

¹⁴[So you must come together] [in {the} Morning] [by your Branches], [and it will be that] [The Branch] [that] [His Majesty] [captures] [must come together] [by Families], [and The Family] [that] [His Majesty] [captures] [must come together] [by Houses], [and The House] [that] [His Majesty] [captures] [must come together] [by **Gibbors**]. ¹⁵[Then it will be that] [the one who is captured] [with {the} Things That Are Under the Ban] [must be burned up] [in a Fire]—[him] [and all] [that] [he has]—[because] [he crossed over] [the] [Legal Agreement] [of His Majesty], [and because] [he did] [Something Senseless] [in Israel]."

¹⁶[So [Joshua] got up early] [in {the} Morning] [and brought [Israel] together] [by His Branches], [and [{the} Branch] [of Judah] was captured]. ¹⁷[Then he brought [the] [Family of] [Judah] together], [and He captured] [the] [Family of] [The Zerahites], [so he brought [the] [Family of] [The Zerahites] together] [by **Gibbors**], [and Zabdi] [was captured]. ¹⁸[Then he brought [his House] together] [by **Gibbors**]; [and [Achan], [Son] [of Carmi], [Son] [of Zabdi], [Son] [of Zerah], [of {the} Branch] [of Judah], was captured].

¹⁹[So [Joshua] said] [to] [Achan]: "[My Son], [please], [assign] [Glory] [to His Majesty], [{the} God of] [Israel], [and give] [Him] [Thanksgiving]. [But [please], tell] [me] [what] [You did]; [You must [not] hold back the truth] [from me]."

²⁰[So [Achan] responded to] [Joshua] [and said], "[Without doubt], [I] [have sinned] [against His Majesty], [{the} God of] [Israel], [when [I did] like this] [and like that]: ²¹[When I saw] [One] [good] [Mantle] [{from} Shinar] [among {the} Plunder], [as well as two hundred] [**Shekels**] [of Silver] [and [one] Tongue] [of Gold], [fifty] [**Shekels**] [{in} Weight], [I desired them]; [so I took them]. [But guess what! They are] [hidden] [in {the} Earth] [in the Middle of] [my Tent], [and The Silver] {is} [under it]."

²²[So [Joshua] sent] [Messengers], [and they ran] [to The Tent], [and guess what! It was] [hidden] [in his Tent], [and The Silver] {was} [under it]. ²³[So they took them] [from {the} Middle of] [The Tent] [and brought them] [to] [Joshua]—[as well as to] [all] [{the} Sons of] [Israel]—[and poured them out] [before] [His Majesty]. ²⁴[Then [Joshua]—[as well as] [all] [Israel] [along with him]—took] [Achan], [{the} Son] [of Zerah], [and] [The

Silver] [and] [The Mantle] [and the] [Tongue] [of Gold] [and] [his Sons] [and] [his Daughters] [and] [his Ox] [and] [his Jackass] [and] [his Flock] [and] [his Tent] [and] [all] [that] {was} [his], [and they brought [them] up] [to {the} Valley] [of Achor].

²⁵[And [Joshua] said]: "[Why] [have You caused trouble for us]? [His Majesty] [will cause trouble for You] [on [This] Day]." [Then [all] [Israel] stoned] [him] [with Stones], [and they burned [them] up] [in a Fire] [after they stoned] [them] [with Stones]. ²⁶[Then they raised up] [a [huge] Pile] [of Stones] [over him] {that stands} [up to] [This] [Day], [and [His Majesty] turned back] [from {the} Burning] [of His Anger]. [Therefore], [{the} Name] [of That] [Place] [has been called] [{the} Valley] [of Achor] [up to] [This] [Day].

(Joshua 7:1–26) —my interim translation

Did you see that? If someone took something that belonged to the Lord—that is, something that had been placed "under the ban"—he would find himself "under the ban," which *meant* he had to be killed. In Achan's case, the entirety of *Corporate* Israel came "under the ban" along with him because God's covenant had been made with *Corporate* Israel, not with just the individual members of *Corporate* Israel. But the point is, one could not appropriate anything "under the ban" without coming "under the ban" himself, which *meant* he was effectively a dead man—and could, one would assume, make others unclean.

So now that you have seen all these passages of Scripture, what do you think the *contagion* of the "uncleanness" related to eating, sexual intercourse, lying about something, and betraying someone's trust has to do with the imposition of the death penalty for the misappropriation of something "under the ban"? Think about it while I give you another clue:

⁴³"[You must [not] make [your Souls] disgusting] [by any] [Abundantly Reproducing Thing] [that abundantly reproduces], [so you will [not] make yourselves unclean] [by them] [so that you become unclean] [by them], ⁴⁴[because] [I am] [His Majesty] [your God]. [**Make yourselves holy**] [and be] [holy] [because] [I am] [holy]. [So you must [not] make [your Souls] unclean] [by any of] [The Abundantly Reproducing Thing] [that crawls] [on] [The Earth]. ⁴⁵[Because] [I am] [His Majesty], [the One Who brought [you] up] [out of {the} Land] [of Egypt] [to become] [your] [God] [so that you would be]

[holy] [because] [I am] [holy]."

(Leviticus 11:43–45) —my interim translation

That passage should remove all doubt as to the connection between holiness and uncleanness. Those two are polar opposites, but it also helps to know that anything that God had placed "under the ban" was holy, and it could only be appropriated for ordinary use under special circumstances. That is, it had to be redeemed:

¹[Then [His Majesty] spoke] [to] [Moses], [saying],
²"[Speak] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [and say] [to them]:
'[When] [a Man] [does something incomprehensible]—[a Vow], [by Your Valuation], [of {his} Soul] [to His Majesty].
³[So [Your Valuation] [of The Male] will be] [from [twenty] [Years] old] [and up to] [sixty] [Years] old], [and [Your Valuation] must be] [fifty] **[Shekels]** [of Silver], [by {the} **Shekel**] [of The Holy Place]. ⁴[But if] [it] {is} [a Female], [then [Your Valuation] must be] [thirty] **[Shekels]**. ⁵[But if] [from [five] [Years] old] [and up to] [twenty] [Years] old], [then [Your Valuation] [of The Male] must be] [twenty] **[Shekels]**; [and for {the} Female], [ten] **[Shekels]**.
⁶[But if] [from [a New Moon] old] [and up to] [five] [Years] old], [then [Your Valuation] [of The Male] must be] [five] **[Shekels]** [of Silver]; [and for {the} Female], [Your Valuation] {must be} [three] **[Shekels]** [of Silver]. ⁷[But if] [from [sixty] [Years] old] [and upward], [if] [a Male], [then [Your Valuation] must be] [fifteen] **[Shekels]**; [and for a Female], [ten] **[Shekels]**. ⁸[But if] [he] [is poorer] [than Your Valuation], [then he must be made to stand] [before] [The Priest]; [and [The Priest] must place a value on] [him]. [The Priest] [must place a value on him] [in accordance with] [what] [{the} Hand] [of the one who made the vow] [has attained].

⁹[But if] [it] {is} [a Beast] [that] [they can present] [some of it] [as an Offering] [to His Majesty], [any] [part of it] [that] [he gives] [to His Majesty] [will become] [holy]. ¹⁰[He can [not] change it] [and he can [not] exchange] [it]—[good] [for bad] [or] [bad] [for good]. [But if] [the one who exchanges] [exchanges] [a Beast] [for a Beast], [then it will be that] [it] [and its Exchange] [will be] [holy]. ¹¹[But if] {it is} [any] [unclean] [Beast] [that] [they can [not] present] [to His Majesty] [as an Offering], [then he must make [The Beast] stand] [before] [The Priest]; ¹²[and [The Priest] must place a value on] [it]. [Whether] [good] [or] [bad], [it will be] [the same] [as Your—[The Priest's]—Valuation].

¹³[But if] [a Redeemer] [wants to redeem it], [he must add] [a Fifth of it] [onto] [Your Valuation]. ¹⁴[But [when] a Man] [makes] [his House] [holy] [to His Majesty], [The Priest] [must place a value on it]. [Whether] [good] [or] [bad], [it will stand] [the same] [as] [{the} value he placed on] [it]. ¹⁵[But if] [the one who made [his House] holy] [wants to redeem {it}], [he must add] [a Fifth] [of Your Valuation] [in Silver] [onto it], [and it will be] [his].

¹⁶[But if] [a Man] [makes [part of a Field] [of his Property] holy] [to His Majesty], [then [Your Valuation] must be] [in accordance with] [its Seed {production}]: [a Homer] [of Barley] [Seed] [for fifty] **[Shekels]** [of Silver]. ¹⁷[If] [he makes [his Field] holy] [at {the} Year of] [The Ram's Horn], [it will stand] [according to Your Valuation]. ¹⁸[But if] [he makes [his Field] holy] [after] [The Ram's Horn], [then [The Priest] must reckon] [The Silver] [for him] [in accordance with] [The Years] [that are remaining] [until] [{the} Year of] [The Ram's Horn] [and take {it} away] [from Your Valuation]. ¹⁹[But if] [a Redeemer] [wants to redeem] [The Field of] [the one who made [it] holy], [then he must add] [a Fifth of] [Your Valuation] [{in} Silver] [onto it] [and it will stand] [for him]. ²⁰[But if] [he does [not] redeem] [The Field], [and if] [he has sold] [The Field], [it can [no] [longer] be redeemed]. ²¹[And [when] [The Field] goes out] [at The Ram's Horn] it will become] [holy] [to His Majesty] [like {the} Field] [placed under the ban]. [It will belong] [to {the} Priest] [as his Property].

²²[But if] [he makes holy] [to His Majesty] [a Field] [of his Acquisition] [that] {is} [not] [part of {the} Field of] [his Property], ²³[then [The Priest] must reckon] [for him] [{the} Calculation of] [Your Valuation] [up to] [{the} Year of] [The Ram's Horn]; [and he must give] [Your Valuation] [on [That] Day]. [{It is} holy] [to His Majesty]. ²⁴[In {the} Year of] [The Ram's Horn], [The Field] [will return] [to the one [from] whom] [he acquired it]—[to whomever] [it belongs] [as Property of] [The Land]. ²⁵[And every one of] [Your Valuations] [must be] [by {the} **Shekel**] [of The Holy Place]; [The Shekel] [must be] [twenty] **[Gerahs]**.

²⁶[However], [a Firstborn]—[one that] [is born as a firstborn] [among {the} Beasts]—[belongs to His Majesty]; [a Man] [can [not] make [it] holy]. [If] [an Ox] [{or} if] [a Lamb], [it] [belongs to His Majesty]. ²⁷[But if] [one of [the unclean] Beasts], [then he must ransom {it}] [in accordance with Your Valuation] [and add] [a Fifth of it] [to it]. [But if] [it is [not] redeemed], [it must be sold] [in accordance with Your Valuation].

²⁸[However], [any] [Thing Under the Ban]—[what-ever] [a Man] [has put under the ban] [for His Majesty] [from all] [that] [he has], [one of {the} Descendants of Adam] [or of a Beast] [or of a Field of] [his Property]—[can [not] be sold], [and it can [not] be redeemed]. [Any] [Thing Under the Ban] {is} [{the} Holiest] [of Holy Things]. [It] [belongs to His Majesty]. ²⁹[Any] [One Under the Ban]—[one of] [The Descendants of Adam] [who] [He has put under the ban]—[can [not] be ransomed]. [He must [definitely] be put to death].

³⁰[Even all of] [{the} Tithe] [of The Land]—[from {the} Seed] [of The Land], [from {the} Fruit] [of The Tree]—[belongs to His Majesty]. ³¹[But if] [a Man] [wants] [to redeem] [some of his Tithe], [he must add] [a Fifth of it] [to it]. ³²[And every] [one-tenth] [of Cattle] [or a Flock]—[of everything] [that] [passes] [under] [The Staff]—[The Tenth One] [will be] [holy] [to His Majesty]. ³³[He must [not] investigate] [whether] {it is} [good] [or bad], [and he must [not] exchange it]. [But if] [he does exchange it], [then [it] [and its Exchange] will be] [holy]; [it can [not] be redeemed].”

³⁴[These] {are} [The Commandments] [that] [His Majesty] [gave] [Moses] [to] [{the} Sons of] [Israel] [at Mount] [Sinai].

(Leviticus 27:1–34) —my interim translation

So I ask you again, what do you think the contagion of “uncleanness” that is related to eating, sexual intercourse, lying about something, and betraying someone’s trust has to do with the imposition of the death penalty for the misappropriation of something “under the ban”? More than that, what do you think the Lord had in mind when He connected all of those things to the *parabolic pantomime* (sacred ritual) of redeeming things that He owned? And why would He attach a greater redemption value to a man than a woman? I’ll give you another clue: You have to think in terms of the things that are redeemed as being “under the ban.” They belong to God. So if the *parabolic pantomimes* of *The Teaching of Moses* were intended to teach things God wanted the sons of Israel to remember, what do you think those might be? No worry, I am going to tell you. I am not going to present an argument, I am merely going to lay out *The Teaching*.

The Truth is, the topic under consideration is exactly the same topic I mentioned earlier—the one that relates to the “uncleanness” associated with sexual intercourse, childbirth, and menstruation. All of them

have to do with the sin of Adam and Eve. That is, the sons of Israel were not to forget what happened when Eve sinned and enticed Adam into doing the same, all because she wanted to explore a bit of physical delight. Now that you know that, let me explain what the *parabolic pantomimes* (sacred rituals) were intended to teach.

You see, the connection with lying has to do with the fact that Satan lied to Eve and started the ball rolling. But when Eve believed him, she appropriated something that belonged to God—her soul—and turned it over to Satan. And when she selfishly enticed Adam into believing the same thing that she had believed, she betrayed his trust. So now we come to the link between those happenings and the “uncleanness” of dead things. When Adam and Eve believed Satan, their soul died, and they began to die physically; but when God booted them out of the Garden of Eden, He consigned them to the realm of the dead to reside until the death process had finally taken the life from their physical body. To this very day, that process is still going on; we call it “aging.”

As far as eating unclean animals is concerned, the *sacred rituals* in that regard have nothing to do with the physical, they have to do with “soul food.” “You are what you eat” has never been more true than with regard to the soul. As Moses said:

¹“[You must guard yourselves] [by doing] [all of] [The Commandment] [that] [I] [am commanding You] [Today], [so that] [You may live] [and become many], [and go in] [and take possession of] [The Land] [about [which] [His Majesty] swore an oath] [to your Fathers]. ²[And You must remember] [all of] [**The Way**] [**that**] [**His Majesty**] [**Your God**] [**has made You walk**] [This] [forty] [Years] [in {the} Wilderness] [in order to] [humble You]—[to test You], [to know] [what] {is} [in Your Heart]: [Would You guard] [His Commandments], [or] [not]? ³[So He humbled You], [and He let You be hungry], [and He made You eat] [The Manna]—[which] [You had [not] known], [and [Your Fathers] had not known]—[in order to] [**make You know**] [**that**] [**The Adam**] [**will [not] live**] [**by**] [**The Bread**] [**alone**], [**because**] [**The Adam**] [**will live**] [**in accordance with**] [all of] [what comes out of] [{the} Mouth] [of His Majesty].” (Deuteronomy 8:1–3) —my interim translation

Read the texts describing sacrifices for atonement; you will find it is the soul that is forgiven. Just sayin’. ■

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receive not the things of the Spirit of God, and because he is animal, is unable to admit the understanding of a better, i.e., of a divine nature, it is for this reason perhaps that Paul, wishing to teach us more plainly what that is by means of which we are able to comprehend those things which are of the Spirit, i.e., spiritual things, conjoins and associates with the Holy Spirit an understanding rather than a soul. For this, I think, he indicates when he says, "I will pray with the spirit, I will pray with the understanding also; I will sing with the spirit, I will sing with the understanding also." And he does not say that "I will pray with the soul," but with the spirit and the understanding. Nor does he say, "I will sing with the soul," but with the spirit and the understanding.

But perhaps this question is asked, If it be the understanding which prays and sings with the spirit, and if it be the same which receives both perfection and salvation, how is it that Peter says, "Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls?" If the soul neither prays nor sings with the spirit, how shall it hope for salvation? or when it attains to blessedness, shall it be no longer called a soul? Let us see if perhaps an answer may be given in this way, that as the Saviour came to save what was lost, that which formerly was said to be lost is not lost when it is saved; so also, perhaps, this which is saved is called a soul, and when it has been placed in a state of salvation will receive a name from the Word that denotes its more perfect condition. But it appears to some that this also may be added, that as the thing which was lost undoubtedly existed before it was lost, at which time it was something else than destroyed, so also will be the case when it is no longer in a ruined condition.

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