



Leviticus 1

1:1 And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying, 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, **If any man** of you bring an offering unto the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.

3 If his offering be a **burnt sacrifice** of the **herd**, let him offer a male without blemish: he shall offer it **of his own voluntary will** at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD. 4 And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him. 5 And he shall kill the bullock before the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall bring the blood, and sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that is by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. 6 And he shall flay the burnt offering, and cut it into his pieces. 7 And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar, and lay the wood in order upon the fire: 8 And the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, the head, and the fat, in order upon the wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar: 9 But his inwards and his legs shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn all on the altar, to be a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, **of a sweet savour unto the LORD.**

10 And if his offering be of the **flocks**, namely, of the **sheep**, or of the **goats**, for a burnt sacrifice; he shall bring it a male without blemish. 11 And he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall sprinkle his blood round about upon the altar. 12 And he shall cut it into his pieces, with his head and his fat: and the priest shall lay them in order on the wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar: 13 But he shall wash the inwards and the legs with water: and the priest shall bring it all, and burn it upon the altar: it is a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, **of a sweet savour unto the LORD.**

14 And if the burnt sacrifice for his offering to the LORD be of **fowls**, then he shall bring his offering of **turtledoves**, or of **young pigeons**. 15 And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and wring off his head, and burn it on the altar; and the blood thereof shall be wrung out at the side of the altar. 16 And he shall pluck away his crop with his feathers, and cast it beside the altar on the east part, by the place of the ashes: 17 And he shall cleave it with the wings thereof, but shall not divide it asunder: and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that is upon the fire: it is a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, **of a sweet savour unto the LORD.**

Introduction and the Burnt Sacrifice

I. Introduction (vv.1-2)

- A. Jesus Christ is our offering, offerer, and priest. He is all to the believer – the basis for access and fellowship with God (Heb. 10:4-10).
- B. “If any man” = whosoever will. (see also, v.3). Voluntary will – not forced nor coerced.

II. The Burnt Sacrifice (vv.3-17)

- A. The sacrifice or offering of the herd (cattle) (vv.3-9).

- B. The offering of the flocks (sheep/goats) (vv.10-13)

- C. The offering of the fowls (birds) (vv.14-17) (turtledoves, Lk. 2:22-23)

1. None of these animals could defend themselves – they weren't wild animals – their life was a ransom, which is a picture of Christ (Matt. 20:28; Mk. 10:45).

2. The animal had to be domesticated and dear to the owner – such is Christ.

3. This is a sweet savour offering unto the LORD. Christ's sacrifice is the same (Eph. 5:2).

4. Jesus is without sin – a male without blemish (1 Jn. 3:5; 1 Pet. 2:22; 2 Cor. 5:21; Heb. 7:26; Jesus is well-pleasing to the Father, Matt. 3:17).