

The Peace Offering (Leviticus 3 & 7)

- Offering shared with congregation of the benefits of fellowship with God
- Joyous time of feasting made possible by blood atonement: God's blessing
- Three main reasons given for the peace offering:
 1. Thank offering (Leviticus 7:12-13; Psalm 56:12; 107:22)
 2. Payment of vows (Leviticus 7:16-17; Numbers 6:17-20)
 3. Free will offering *spontaneous offering of gratitude* (Leviticus 7:16; 22:18, 21)

I. Celebrating Peace with God: Shed Blood of the Substitutionary Sacrifice

vv. 3:1-2, 6-8, 12-13

- A. The People of God Enjoy Peace with Him
- B. The People of God Celebrate Peace with Him

II. Celebration of Peace with God: Marked by Surrender to God

vv. 3-4, 9-10, 14-15

- A. The Best is to be Given to God by His People
 - B. The Will is to be Surrendered by God's People
- ### III. The Celebration of Peace is Pleasing to God

vv. 5, 11, 16

- A. The celebration of peace is a communal meal
- B. God is pleased with the celebration of peace

Conclusion, Observations, and Application

- (1) In all enjoyment of His benefits, *never forget, the best to be given to Him*
- (2) Offering praise to Him, *never forget the blood of atonement basis for benefits*
- (3) In celebration of His bounty, *remember to surrender your lives to Him*