

## ***Who Separates the Fat? What does the fat represent?***

Lev. 4:32 And if he bring a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish. 33 And ***he shall lay his hand*** upon the head of the sin offering, and ***slay it*** for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering. 34 And ***the priest shall take*** of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar: 35 And ***he shall take away all the fat*** thereof, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the sacrifice of the peace offerings; and ***the priest shall burn*** them upon the altar, according to the offerings made by fire unto the Lord: and the priest shall make an atonement for his sin that he hath committed, and it shall be forgiven him.

Note: The false Gospel of today teaches the offerer to refuse and that they need not remove the fat!

After the blood was presented before the Lord, there was yet an important work for the sinner to perform. With his own hands he was to remove all the fat from the different organs of the animal offered as a sin-offering, <sup>17</sup> and give it to the priest, who burned it upon the brazen altar. At first thought this might seem a strange ceremony, but when we remember that the fat represented sin, <sup>18</sup> we see that it is a fitting ceremony. {1914 SNH, CIS 126.2} Leviticus 7:30,31

It was evidently viewing this service in the sanctuary that saved David from backsliding. He had beheld the prosperity of the wicked, and was envious of them, until his "steps had well nigh slipped;" but when he went into the sanctuary, then he understood the end of the wicked. <sup>19</sup> We can imagine him watching ***the sinner separating the fat*** and the priest placing it, upon the great altar, and presently nothing remained but ashes. In it he saw ashes only as ***the final end of all who would not separate from sin;*** <sup>20</sup> ***for if the sin was a part of themselves,*** then when the sin was burned, they would be burned, with it. The only reason God will ever destroy a sinner is ***because the sinner keeps sin in his own character, and will not separate from it.*** {1914 SNH, CIS 126.3} Mal. 4:1-3

This was an impressive type, ***the priest waiting for the sinner to separate the fat from the offering,*** ready to take it as soon as it was offered to him. So Christ, our great High Priest, is waiting for each sinner to confess his sins and give them to Him, that He in return can clothe the sinner with his own robe of righteousness; <sup>21</sup> and consume his sins in the fires of the last day. Paul evidently refers to this part of the sanctuary service in Heb. 4:12. {1914 SNH, CIS 128.1}

Rom. 6:6 Knowing this, that our ***old man is crucified with him,*** that the body of

sin might be destroyed, that henceforth *we should not serve sin*. 7 For he that is dead is freed from sin. 8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:

***Jesus and the Apostles taught the removal of fat buy the offerer!***

Matt. 7:3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? 4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? 5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

Heb. 6:1 Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ (Ceremonial laws-sacrifices), let us ***go on unto perfection***; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

1John 3:3 And every man that hath this hope in him ***purifieth himself, even as he is pure***.

2Cor.7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us ***cleanse ourselves*** from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, ***perfecting holiness*** in the fear of God.

James 4:8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. ***Cleanse your hands***, ye sinners; and ***purify your hearts***, ye double minded.

4:9 ***Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep***: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.

Rev. 22:11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and ***he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still***.

Eze. 5:5 Thus saith the Lord God; This is Jerusalem:I have set it in the midst of the nations and countries that are round about her. 6 And ***she hath changed my judgments into wickedness more than the nations, and my statutes more than the countries that are round about her***: for they have refused my judgments and my statutes, they have not walked in them.

Lam. 4:13 ***For the sins of her prophets, and the iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood of the just*** in the midst of her,

Satan's snares are laid for us as verily as they were laid for the children of Israel just prior to their entrance into the land of Canaan. ***We are repeating the history of***

*that people.* Lightness, vanity, love of ease and pleasure, selfishness, and impurity are increasing among us. There is need now of men who are firm and fearless in declaring the whole counsel of God; men who will not sleep as do others, but watch and be sober. Knowing as I do the great lack of holiness and power with our ministers, I am deeply pained to see the efforts for self-exaltation. If they could but see Jesus as He is, and themselves as they are, so weak, so inefficient, so unlike their Master, they would say: If my name may be written in the obscurest part of the book of life, it is enough for me, so unworthy am I of His notice. {5T 160.2}

It is your work to study and to imitate the Pattern. Was Christ self-denying? so must you be. Was He meek and lowly? so must you be. Was He zealous in the work of saving souls? so must you be. Did He labor to promote the glory of His Father? so must you. Did He often seek help from God? so must you. Was Christ patient? so will you be patient. As Christ forgave His enemies, so will you forgive. {5T 160.3}