LESSON 23 – Week of June 17, 2018

Sacrifices and Offerings

*For the Law, since it has only **a shadow of the good things to come** and not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near. - Hebrews 10:1*

The Text / Spend the week reading the following verses. Read them at least once.

- *O.T. Leviticus chapters 1-8, 16-17; Numbers 15:1-12; Psalms 51:14-17; Isaiah 53:10*
- *N.T. Mark 12:28-34; Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Ephesians 5:1-2; Philippians 4:18; Hebrews chapters 9-10*

Finding Jesus / Think about these questions as you read:

1. How many different types of sacrifices are mentioned in the text? What was the significance of each type? (e.g. burnt offering, sin offering, etc.)
2. Why could animal sacrifices *not* take away sin?
3. What spiritual blessings did offering these sacrifices impart to the Israelite worshiper? What lessons did they teach, for example? What realizations and desires were they intended to create within the heart of the worshiper?
4. How do the various sacrifices and offerings in the Old Testament foreshadow Christ?

Living for Jesus

What mercy and compassion God has shown for us to allow Jesus' life to be offered in place of ours! How wondrous and amazing and powerful the sacrifice of Jesus, the Lamb of God, truly is! What a blessing to have forgiveness! (Psalms 32:1-2) Let us live this week with hearts full of gratitude for what God has done for us through Jesus and let us share the good news with others.

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