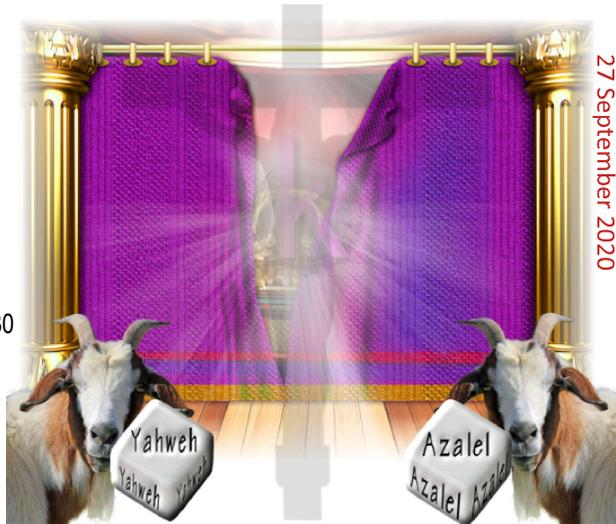


He Did All the WORK!

Leviticus 23:26-32
Leviticus 16:5-10, 29-30
Hebrews 9:11-22
Hebrews 9:23-28

GOD's FEASTS

Leviticus 23



The “Day” (יום)

- יום הכּפּוּרִים - Yom Kippur
 - “Kippur” - “to cover over, pacify, propitiate, atone for sin, cleanse, put off, reconcile, forgive, appease, pardon, cancel.
 - “Kippur” - only used in the PLURAL.
- God's Calendar: *after* the Feast of Trumpets
 - after the regathering of the saints into the clouds
 - after the regathering of the Jews into Israel
- Most solemn day on the Jewish calendar.
- Prophetic fulfillment: Zechariah 12-14
- A day when the High Priest worked *alone* in the tabernacle. (Leviticus 16:17)

The Key (Leviticus 16:30)

- The **work**: “make an atonement”
- The **worker**: “the high priest”
- The **time**: “on *that* day”
- The **purpose**: “to cleanse you from *all* your sins before the LORD.”

A Day - Once EVERY Year (Leviticus 16:29, 34)

- Once every year the high priest would make atonement for his people.
- Seventh month, tenth day.

A Day of Humiliation (Leviticus 16:4)

- Setting aside the garments of glory and beauty. (Exodus 28:2, 40)
- White linen garments.

A Day of Bloody Sacrifice (vv. 5-11)

- First, for himself - for he was *only* a shadow!
- Two goats chosen by lots (Proverbs 16:33)
 - ① One for the LORD - a sin offering.
 - ② One for the *scapegoat*: ‘azazel’ = »goat + to go away« (John 1:29)

A Day of Imputation (Leviticus 16:21, 22)

- The goat, the **innocent substitute**, received **all** of God's people's sins!
- The goat became a *curse* for God's people.
- The goat *took their sins away* into the wilderness. (v. 22; Mark 15:34; 1 Peter 2:24; Psalm 103:12)

A Day of Nearness with God (Leviticus 16:12-15)

- A day that the veil was *opened*. (Lev. 16: ; Matt. 27:51; Heb. 10:20)
- The High Priest could only enter with *blood*. (Hebrew 9:7)

A Day of Real Affliction (Leviticus 16:29; 23:29)

- Sin is no minor thing. (*though the world and church make it so*)
- The atonement is no trivial thing.
- Acceptance: Luke 18:10-14; Acts 2:37-38

A Day of Forgiveness (Leviticus 16:30)

- A day when *every* sin was atoned for!
- *Every* sin forgiven!

A Day of Rest (Leviticus 16:29; 23:29)

- On *this day* **only** the high priest did the work. (Leviticus 16:17)
- “Salvation is of the LORD (and only the LORD).” Jonah 2:9

A Day of Victory (Leviticus 16:30-34)

- After his work was done, he laid aside the garments he was wearing and put on *his* garments of *glory and beauty*!
 - Shoulder boards of the High Priest
 - Breastplate of the High Priest

A Day of Shadows (Zechariah 12-14)

- Grace, forgiveness, mourning. (Zechariah 12:10-11)
- Cleansing (by the LORD). (Zechariah 13:1-4)
- The day of His return in His garments of *glory and beauty*. (Zech. 14:3-9)

A Day of GRACE

- The High Priest did all the WORK.
- The people WATCHED. The people did NOTHING!
- When the High Priest finished his work, the people REJOICED!

The REAL THING (Hebrews 9:11-12; Colossians 2:16-17)

- **JESUS CHRIST**, the Anointed One, came as our HIGH PRIEST. (Heb 9:11; 2:17; 3:1-2; 4:15; 5:5; 6:20; 7:26; 8:1) – Aaron and his sons were only SHADOWS – something MUCH LESS than the real thing! Christ is our GREAT High Priest.
- **JESUS CHRIST** laid aside His robes of majesty and made Himself of “no reputation”, came as a **bondservant**, and humbled Himself even unto death. (Philippians 2:6-8)
→ White linen garments. (Hebrew 7:26)
- **JESUS CHRIST** DID THE WORK of OUR SALVATION **ALONE!** (Matthew 26:31, 56; John 16:32; Mark 14:50; Zechariah 13:7)
- **JESUS CHRIST** entered into the Holy of HOLIES in heaven (Hebrews 9:11)– the real thing – not the shadow. He entered into the PRESENCE of God. (Lev 16:11-12)
- **JESUS CHRIST**, our High Priest, entered into the Holy of Holies, with HIS OWN BLOOD – the blood of God (Acts 20:28); precious blood (1 Peter 1:19)
→ Our High Priest did not have to offer a sacrifice for Himself! (Heb 7:27)
- CONSIDER THIS CAREFULLY:
 - The price to redeem one person who had sinned one sin was the blood of God. The redemption of a soul is costly. (Psalm 49:8)
 - NOTHING ELSE could pay.
 - **Consider the VILENESS of SIN (your sin).**
 - Christ came to give HIS LIFE for US! He has every right to say,
→ “He who loves his father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. . . . He who does not do what I say is not worthy of Me.” (Luke 14:26-27; Matthew 7:21; 10:37-38; John 10:27-29; Luke 6:46)
→ “Whosoever will not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.” (Luke 14:33)
- The LORD, **not us**, laid on Him **all** of our sins. (Isaiah 53:6) Christ became a CURSE for us. (Galatians 3:13)
- **JESUS CHRIST** was “the Lamb of God who **takes away** the sins of the world (not only Israel’s).” (John 1:29) He is Goat that is sacrificed! (**Hebrews 9:12**)
- **JESUS CHRIST** is the “goat of God” who takes away our sins as far as the **east** is from the **west!**” (Psalm 103:12) He is our SCAPEGOAT.

- **JESUS CHRIST**, our High Priest, offered Himself **ONCE**. This phrase does not mean **once for all people** (see 9:28) but **once for all time – never to be repeated!** (Hebrews 10:10)
- **JESUS CHRIST obtained** ETERNAL REDEMPTION.
 - Jesus Christ and Jesus Christ *alone* **obtained** – did the work!
☞ Consider: Matthew 26:30-31, 56; Mark 14:50; John 16:32; **18:8, 9**.
 - Jesus Christ proclaimed, “**It is FINISHED!**” (John 19:30)
 - “to redeem” – “to deliver a person from a state of bondage, and that by the payment of an adequate ransom price.” (See **Matt. 20:28**)
→ Matthew 20:28; 26:28; 1 John 4:9-11; 3:16; John 10:11, 15-18; 15:13; Romans 5:8; Ephesians 5:2, 25; Titus 2:13-14; 1 Peter 1:18; Galatians 1:4; 3:13; Galatians 2:20;
 - NOT *yearly* but ETERNAL REDEMPTION. (See Hebrews 9:26)
- **JESUS CHRIST**, our High Priest, now stands before God today in His garments of *glory and beauty* and makes intercession for us. (Hebrews 7:24-25)
 - Shoulder boards of the High Priest
 - Breastplate of the High Priest
- **JESUS CHRIST SAT DOWN!** There was no more WORK to be done since it was ALL finished on Calvary! (**Hebrews 1:3**, 10:12; 12:2; Colossians 3:1; Romans 8:34; 1 Peter 3:22)
 - Jesus did all the work and announced: “**It is finished!**” (John 19:28, 30; 4:34 with Matthew 1:21; 17:4; Hebrews 9:11-14, 22-28)
 - We enter *His* rest. IN CHRIST we have peace with God! (Hebrews 4:3, 10; Romans 5:1; Matthew 11:28-29; Jeremiah 6:16;)
- **JESUS CHRIST** brought us NEAR to God! (1 Peter 3:18; Ephesians 2:11-13)
 - Our High Priest’s death *opened* the way to God. (Matt. 27:51; Heb. 10:20)
 - Our High Priest entered the heavenly Holy of Holies with *His own pure blood*. (Hebrews 9:11-14; Ephesians 1:6-7)
 - He entered *for us!* He is the Forerunner. (Hebrews 6:19-20)
- ★ ATONEMENT is NOT a New Testament concept! Our sins are NOT COVERED– BUT they are REMEMBER NO MORE! (Hebrews 8:12; **Isaiah 43:25**; Psalm 103:12; Micah 7:19 with Revelation 21:1)

**JESUS CHRIST IS MUCH GREATER
than the SHADOW!
He is the REAL THING!**