

Parashah 24 Tidbit
Vayiqra 1:1 – 6:7
Vayikra, וַיִּקְרָא, And He called
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The book we are about to study has been named the Book of Leviticus by the church Fathers. They have given this book that name because they believe and teach that this book is about the Levitical **LAW**, the Law that they believe and teach, **has somehow, been done away with in whole or in part**, depending on their individual doctrinal denominational beliefs. **BUT**, this book, that they, the church Fathers have called Leviticus, **IS NOT** about the Levitical Law, although it does speak of the Torah (Law) in the Book, **BUT** this Book is a book about the Words of the Torah of Elohim, and the Words of our heavenly Father, that **ARE and always have been and always will be**, His inerrant and everlasting teachings and instructions, His Directives for everlasting Life. Furthermore, as I said above, the Church Fathers teach that this so called Book of Levitical Law, has somehow, either been partially or totally done away with, and or abolished in whole or in part. Now, because of their **FALSE** teaching about this Book, most Catholics and Christians pay little to no attention to it, **BUT** unfortunately for them, they do so at their own peril, for this book shows us the wonderful loving caring compassionate heart of our heavenly Father, towards us, His children.

Therefore, let me show you **HOW WRONG** the church fathers **ARE**, and have been from the inception of their man made religion, that they chose to call Christianity, and **HOW** they have **deceived themselves, AND their followers**, who have chosen to believe their **NONSENSICAL teachings, about this book, that contains** the Words of the Father's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words Torah of Life. By the church fathers, reckoning, their misguided understanding, they have of their own free will, **CHOSEN** to believe and teach that the Words contained in the Book of Vayiqra, which is in the heart of the Torah of YHVH, the very same Torah that YHVH, Himself gave to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, and, which **ARE** the Words that came directly from the mouth of the Creator of the universe, whom we **KNOW** has infinite wisdom, with which He teaches us, **BUT** the Christian church fathers, insist, that the Words of our heavenly Father, which He calls His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, **BUT** which they call, the Levitical **LAW**, **CLAIM** that the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, have somehow been changed, and that some or **ALL** of them, have been abolished, or done away with, in whole or in part. Whether they know it or **NOT**, **they are committing an act of heresy, because YHVH Himself said in:**

Malachi 3:6 For I am YHVH, I do NOT CHANGE; and that is WHY, you sons of Jacob are NOT consumed.

Here YHVH says, He stands on His Word, which means, that He honours His Covenants, and then He says, for **IF** I did change, *the First thing I would DO IS destroy you, the sons of Jacob, because of your constant rebellious disobedience to the Words of My Torah, over the millenniums.*

There are other places in Scripture where YHVH warns us against changing His Words. So let's take a few minutes and read what YHVH had to say about **CHANGE**.

Proverbs 24:21-22 My son, **fear** YHVH and the king: and **DO NOT** meddle with the people that are given to **CHANGE**: (like the Rabbis that believe that the Words of the written Torah have been changed and that they YHVH's Words of Life, have somehow been superseded by their man made oral torah, or the Christian Church fathers, who somehow believe that the Torah has been done away with in whole or in part)

WHY does YHVH instruct His Sons **NOT** to meddle with anyone that wants to change His Words?

He tells us why in *verse 22*

22 For their calamity SHALL RISE SUDDENLY; and who knows the ruin of them both?

Now there are many other *verses* in Scripture that confirm that YHVH does **NOT** want us to change even one Jot or Tittle of His Word, and I will let you search them out.

So let's move on, in Hebrew, this book is called Vayikra, and the Hebrew word Va Yiqra, means, *Va, And, Yiqra, He called*. It is, or should be very obvious that the **HE**, that is mentioned in the words Va Yiqra, **IS** of course, YHVH our Elohim, and therefore, the proper title of this Book, that the Church fathers has erroneously called, the Book of Leviticus, the Book of the Law of the Levites, that the majority of the church fathers teach, has somehow, been partially or completely abolished and nailed top the cross, while other believe and teach that it has actually been done away with in whole or in part, **BUT**, as I said above, this Book of Scripture, is named, *And He (YHVH) called*, in Hebrew, which means that YHVH Himself, has called all of us, the people of His one and only family, Yisrael, to be Holy, as He is Holy, which means that we are to be set apart from all other peoples of the world, by willingly and lovingly choosing to believe, follow, and obey **ALL** of the Words that He, our heavenly Father, has so graciously given us in the Words of His Torah of Life, and the Book of Vayikra, teaches us all, **HOW WE ARE TO BE HOLY AS HE IS HOLY**.

As I mentioned above, the name of this Book **IS NOT Leviticus** and all the negative connotations that come along with that erroneous title, but, the True name of this book **IS** Vayikra, which means *And He (YHVH) called*, אִקְרָא and it is from the root word Qara, אָרָא, which means *call* or *called*. The Hebrew word Qara, אָרָא, is spelled with three letters, the letter Qoof, ק, the letter Resh ר, and the letter Aleph, א. The Letter Qoof ק, has a pictographic meaning of, *behind*, or *back of the head*, which is what you see when you are **following** someone, the letter, Resh, ר, has a pictographic meaning of a *person* or *head* or *leader*, *the preeminent One*, and the letter Aleph, א, has a pictographic meaning of, an ox, and therefore, it means *strength* or *leader* or *first*. The pictographic meanings of these three letters, therefore, tells us, that we are to *follow the strong leader*, and since the letter Aleph, **IS** the letter that is attributed to, and or represents our Messiah, who **IS** YHVH, the Elohim of Abraham Yitzchaq and Ya'aqov, **THEN** it means that we are to **FOLLOW AND OBEY YHVH**, the ultimate Strong Leader, we are to follow the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah, His Directives for everlasting Life.

Also in the word אִקְרָא, Vayikra, which, as I said, means *and He called*, there are two prefix letters, the first letter, is the letter Vav, ו, which has a pictographic meaning of a *nail* or something that

*connects things together, like a bridge, and a the letter Yod, ך, which has a pictographic meaning of, a hand, the working hand. Therefore, with these two additional letters that are added to the Hebrew word Qara, קָרָא, which forms the word, Vayikra, וַיִּקְרָא, we have the complete picture of what the word Vayikra is portraying for us, and that is, follow or connect yourself to the **STRONG LEADER** whose hands have been nailed, and who is called the Right Hand of Elohim.*

There is more information contained in the letters that spell this word Vayiqra. If we put a Mem prefix on the word Qara, קָרָא, we form the word Miqra מִקְרָא, which means convocation or assembly.

(מִקְרָא, Strong's H4744, meaning called out, or assembly, and is translated as Ekklesia in the Septuagint, Strong's G1577 (ἐκκλησία), a calling out of the assembly. With this meaning, we can see, that YHVH is saying to His people, who had been in bondage in and to their Egyptian task masters, for over two hundred and fifty years, and Egypt is a metaphor for the perverse ways of the past and present world, and YHVH commanded His people Yisrael then, and He continues to tell His people, Yisrael, today, to **come out of her My people**. That is the exact same message that Messiah, who is YHVH, gave us in *Revelation 18:4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, My people, that you do NOT become partakers of her Sins, partakers of her constant transgressions of the Words of YHVH's Torah of Life, so that you do NOT receive of her plagues*).

Don't let anyone tell you that the church or assembly, the Qahal of YHVH, was **NOT** in the wilderness at Mount Sinai. We have to understand that according to Scripture, the Church, the Ekklesia, ἐκκλησία, in Greek, the Qahal in Hebrew, did **NOT** start in the book of *Acts* as the Church fathers of Christianity would have you believe, for the Church, the Qahal, YHVH's assembled people, began in the wilderness, when YHVH called His people, His assembly, His Ekklesia, His Qahal, to come out of Egypt, or when He called and Commanded Yisrael to *come out of her My people*.

As I said above, the title of this Parashah is Vayikra, which means *and he called*, and that tells us that, **NOT** only did YHVH **CALL** His people out of Egypt, **BUT** He also Commanded Mosheh to teach the people of Yisrael, what He wanted them to learn. And what, you may ask, did YHVH want the people of Yisrael to learn? He wanted them to learn, to be Holy as He, YHVH Himself, **IS** Holy, and to be Righteous as He is Righteous.

How were His people, Yisrael, supposed to achieve the goal of being Holy as YHVH is Holy? They were to do that, by willingly choosing, to believe, follow and obey the instructions that He has given them after He called them out of Egypt, the instructions that are contained in the Words of His Torah of Life, which of course, includes the Book of VaYiqra, which means, *and He called*, for all five Books **CONTAIN** the Words of YHVH's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions.

Each and everyone of the Books of the Torah, teach us, the Ways and the Words of YHVH, **BUT, IT IS** the Book of Vayiqra that teaches us how to be Holy and Righteous as YHVH is Holy and Righteous. This may be a shocking revelation to many of you, as it is to most people who hear it for the first time, **BUT it is the TRUTH**. Therefore, let that information sink in for a moment, and try to realize, that from the book, that the Church Fathers have called, *the book of Levitical Law*, the Law that they, *now teach*, has somehow been partially or totally done away with, **IS WHERE WE ARE**

TAUGHT HOW TO BE HOLY AND RIGHTEOUS AS YHVH IS HOLY AND RIGHTEOUS, for the Book of Vayiqra **IS** YHVH's own **INERRANT AND EVERLASTING TEACHING AND INSTRUCTIONS**, it is His **EVERLASTING WORDS** .

I hope that **NOW**, that you have been told, that the Book called Vayikra **IS** a very important part of YHVH's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, His Torah of Life, that teaches **ALL** of us **HOW** we can become Holy as He is Holy, and **HOW** we can live a Holy and Righteous lives, which in turn, will lead all who willingly choose to obey it, unto an eternal and everlasting Life with our Messiah, the Words of the Living Torah made flesh, as our bridegroom, in the kingdom of Elohim, the kingdom of our heavenly Father, that it will cause you, to read it with a different mindset, than the Christian mindset, which is the mindset that believes that the Torah is done away with.

When Messiah said in *Matthew 6:33 Seek first the kingdom of Elohim and His Righteousness*, He was actually telling us, to believe, follow and obey **ALL** the Words that are contained in My Father's Torah, and especially the Words of the Book of Vayiqra, for when the Words contained in the Book of Vayiqra are believed, followed and obeyed, from a loving surrendered, contrite obedient heart, they are designed in such a way to cause you to be Holy as I am Holy and they **WILL** lead you into the kingdom of Elohim.

This Book of Vayikra ends with *Chapters 26 & 27*. *Chapter 26* tells us of **ALL** the blessings we will receive **IF** we choose to willingly and lovingly follow and obey **ALL** the Words of YHVH's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instruction, that are found throughout the Torah which includes the Book of Vayikra. As I said, this Book of Vayiqra, which means *and He called*, means that YHVH Himself has **CALLED US to be Holy as He is Holy**, and this book also contains the **CURSES** that people will receive should they choose **NOT TO OBEY** the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life.

We, you and I, and all people, have to understand, that once a person receives YHVH's blessings, because of their surrendered obedience to the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, **THEN**, YHVH has a chapter of instructions on what all of us **are to DO**, with their blessings. *Chapter 27* is on **Tithing** and **Vows** made to YHVH. Therefore, this is what we, as obedient followers of the Word of YHVH, **ARE TO DO**, once He blesses us; **WE** are to take a portion of those blessings and then willingly share them with others, and especially those that are in need, we are to bless other people with what YHVH has so graciously blessed us with, which means, that we are to reciprocate YHVH's generosity and learn to have a **GIVING HEART**, and freely give to other people, what YHVH has given us. It is important that we understand that **NO ONE CAN**, or ever **WILL**, be able to **out give** our heavenly Father.

The Christian translators of this Book, which they call, **the Levitical LAW**, have done us, and all believers, a very great **DISSERVICE** in calling this Book, the Book of Leviticus, instead calling it by its **TRUE** Name, Vayiqra, for Elohim has made it clear that He has **CALLED Mosheh and US**, וַיִּקְרָא אֶל-מֹשֶׁה, VaYiqra El Mosheh, and this Book, Vayiqra, **IS** where YHVH teaches us **HOW** to be Holy as He **IS** Holy. This book, according to its true Hebrew name, **IS** a **CALL** from the Elohim of Abraham, Yitzchaq and Ya'aqov, Himself, to **ALL** the people of His one and only family, Yisrael, and **ALL** the people that will eventually join themselves to His family, Yisrael, to willingly choose, to believe, follow, and obey the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, it is a **CALL** from YHVH Himself, to **COME OUT OF ALL THE VERY PERVERSE WAYS** of all the

man made religions of the world, and their man made religious and or secular doctrines, **AND**, choose instead, to come into YHVH's Ways of Holiness, so that we can all be Holy, as our heavenly Father Holy.

Unfortunately, instead of calling this book by its **PROPER** and **TRUE** name, which is, **Elohim has CALLED Mosheh and US** (וַיִּקְרָא אֶל-מֹשֶׁה, VaYiqra El Mosheh) to be Holy as He is Holy, the church fathers have chosen a title, that focuses on the word **Law**, the **Levitical Law** as **they** call it, and all the negative connotations that the word **Law** has in our modern day society, so that in their minds, it lines up more with the false teachings of their **false man made doctrines**, in which they teach that the **Levitical Law** is no longer relevant for today and that is has been partially or completely done away with.

We have to understand that the title **Leviticus**, that the Church fathers unilaterally chose to call this most wonderful book, that should have been named, **Elohim has CALLED Mosheh and US** (וַיִּקְרָא אֶל-מֹשֶׁה, VaYiqra El Mosheh) to be Holy as He is Holy, that this title Leviticus, actually portrays our Elohim, whom they call, the God of the Old Testament, as an overbearing tyrant, determined to force His people to obey His **LAW**, instead of portraying our heavenly Father for who and what He **TRULY IS**, and that **IS**, a caring, compassionate and loving Father, who has called us to live a Righteous life, a life that is totally surrendered in loving surrendered obedience to **ALL** the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, and when we do willingly choose to obey Him, as He has Commanded us to do, we become the beneficiaries of His countless blessings.

The title Leviticus, portrays YHVH as **forcing** His **Law** upon an unwilling people, rather than the title **Vayikra**, which portrays YHVH, in His **true light**, a loving, caring, compassionate forgiving Father, who is filled with grace, mercy, and a long suffering disposition, and who is lovingly **calling His children home, so that they can live at His side**. He is a Father, who desires that **ALL** of His children, live a long, prosperous, healthy and righteous life, with Him at their side, because He wants to protect and provide for them, His children, through His blessings, that are only manifested through loving surrendered obedience to the Words of His righteous inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life.

OK, now that we have taken care of the title, lets dig into the Words of these Directives for everlasting Life, the inerrant and everlasting teaching and instruction, that came directly from the Mouth of YHVH Himself.

The very first word in the book that the church fathers chose to call Leviticus, is the word **Vayikra**, וַיִּקְרָא, which is written with a Vav, ו, a Yod, י, a Qoof, ק, a Resh ר, & an Aleph א, and the letter Aleph א at the end of the word Vayiqra, וַיִּקְרָא, in all Torah Scrolls, **IS** made smaller than the other letters. The letter Aleph, א, in Scripture is said to represent Strength, Power, and it also represents an Ox. In the Hebrew script, in the very first word of *chapter 1*, the letter Aleph, in the word Vayikra, is, as I mentioned above, purposely made smaller than the other letters. This indicates to us, that when man is called, Qara, וַיִּקְרָא, to serve Elohim (as the title of the Book says), then that man's strength and power, his self, his pride, His ego, His self determination, **MUST** diminish, so that Elohim's **STRENGTH** and **POWER** may increase and be manifested within him, by the Holy Spirit that YHVH sends us, to guide, direct and **CAUSE** all who will allow Him, to believe, follow and obey

His Words, **BUT** that can only happen, **IF** we **ALLOW** YHVH's Holy Spirit to do so, and it takes a humble heart to be able to do that.

The letter Aleph א, also represents YHVH, our Elohim, and this title, Vayikra, is a shadow picture of our Messiah, willingly **diminishing Himself from His Deity**, to become man, so that He could walk among us (*John 1:14*) and become our Saving sinless Sacrifice, for He too, was **CALLED** (אָקָרָה), by our Elohim, our heavenly Father, and as you know, or should **KNOW**, Messiah graciously obeyed the **CALLING of His Father**. Messiah willingly put His Deity aside for our sake, because of His great love for us and our heavenly Father. He willingly allowed Himself to become a man, **flesh and blood, just like you and I are**, in order to be the example by which our heavenly Father, would teach us how to be Holy as YHVH is Holy.

So in the Book, that teaches and instructs us on **holiness** and **righteousness**, we see, that like Messiah, we too are (**Qara**, אָקָרָה) **CALLED**, by our Heavenly Father, to be Holy as He is Holy, and that, as is indicated by the **smaller Aleph** letter, we too, **ARE** to learn **TO DECREASE SELF**, our pride, so that the Holy Spirit of Elohim, whom, YHVH sends to us, when we willingly and lovingly surrender our wills to our heavenly Father's Will, so that our heavenly Father's Holy Spirit can then **CAUSE ALL** willing surrendered hearts to follow and obey the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions on **holiness** and **righteousness**, which in turn, means, that we have **decreased self**, and that Messiah, the belief of Messiah, His faith, has increased within us. That, my friends, is the purpose of the Words of YHVH's Torah of Life, **IT IS** to teach us, to fill our lives with the **WILL** of the Creator of the universe, so that we can live eternally at His side as the Bride of Messiah. Amein

And in case you are **NOT** sure what YHVH requires of all of us, let's read what Mosheh says in *Deuteronomy 10:12-13* And now, Yisrael, what does YHVH your Elohim **REQUIRE** of you, **BUT** to fear YHVH your Elohim (the fear of YHVH **IS** the beginning of wisdom), to walk in **ALL** of His Ways, His Torah, and to love him, and to serve YHVH your Elohim with **ALL** your heart and with **ALL** your soul, To keep the Commandments of YHVH, and His Statutes, His Torah of Life, which I command you this day for your **good**?

The word *atonement* used in *verse 4* of *Vayikra* is the Hebrew word Kaphar, כָּפַר, and it means to cover. The pictographic meaning begins with the letter Kaf, כ, which is, an open hand, the palm of the hand, the letter Pey, פ, means, mouth, and the letter Resh, ר means, person. Together they form a picture that gives us an understanding of what YHVH does for us, when the Lamb, who is a shadow picture of Messiah Yeshua, was sacrificed, on the First Passover, where He made atonement for the firstborn sons of Yisrael. When we put the meaning of these letters together, we get a beautiful picture, and that picture is, **YHVH's hand over the mouth of the accuser**.

Therefore, when a sacrifice is said to have provided atonement, it means that somehow, the offering has **SILENCED THE ACCUSER**. Is Satan the only accuser? While Satan is part of the plan of Elohim with his accusations, he is not the only accuser, heaven and earth and YHVH's Words, also accuse people of their wrongdoings.

Deuteronomy 4:26 I call heaven and earth **to witness against you this day**.

*Deuteronomy 31:19-21 That this song of Mosheh **may be a witness for Me against the children of Yisrael** 21 And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are befallen them, that this song **shall testify against them as a witness.***

*Deuteronomy 31:26 Take this Book of the Torah (Law), and **put it in the side of the Ark of the Covenant of YHVH your Elohim, THAT IT MAY BE THERE FOR A WITNESS AGAINST YOU.***

In these *verses* we learn that Heaven and Earth, the Torah, and our own mouths, witness against us, when we **violate** or transgress the Covenant that we willingly entered into, with our Deliverer, Redeemer and Saviour, through our forefathers. *Exodus 19:8 And all the people answered together, and said, **ALL that YHVH has spoken, WE WILL DO.***

It is YHVH's Word, the Words of His Torah of Life, the Words of the Torah of Life made flesh, that **IS a Witness** against us, and accuses us of our sins, our transgressions of the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life. If we choose to do what most of Christianity has done, and **abolish most or all** of the Words of the Torah, or even, **IF** we choose to throw out **PART** or **ALL** of the Torah of Mosheh, given to Him by the Hand of Elohim at Mount Sinai, as some ancient book that is no longer relevant for our so called sophisticated society of today, **THEN** we are actually throwing out **THE WITNESS** of **ALL** of our Sins, the witness of **ALL** of our Torah transgressions, which means that we **HAVE BECOME PART OF THE ENEMY'S CAMP**, the enemy that has come to steal, kill and destroy us, by deceiving us into believing that the Words of YHVH's Torah of Life have been done away with.

The difference between the two accusers, **IS** that Satan wants us to die, and be separated from Elohim forever, as he will be; however, YHVH, through His grace, mercy and forgiving nature, accuses us through His Words and His creation, the heavens, so that we will make the conscious choice to repent of our wrongdoings, and return to Him, so that we **may be partakers of His promised eternal Life** at His side in the kingdom of Elohim. One entity, YHVH, has love in His heart for all people, and the other entity, satan, has hatred in his heart, and wants to steal, kill and destroy, all that YHVH has created.

These sacrifices found in Leviticus are **NOT** like pagan sacrifices that were done to appease, feed or fulfill a perceived need or want of their man made imaginary pagan gods. Our Elohim tells us in *Psalms 50:12 **IF He** were hungry, that the world **IS His** and that He could take what He wants*, which means, that He lacks for nothing. Our sacrifices are not meant to **placate** our Elohim's anger or His hunger, and they **are certainly NOT** an effort to manipulate the emotions of our loving heavenly Father. The sacrificial system implemented by our loving caring compassionate heavenly Father, **IS a picture of His great and infinite love for us, His desire to have us draw nearer and nearer to Him, and since He is Holy, the only way that we can draw nearer and nearer to Him, IS IF we willingly choose to become Holy as He IS Holy.** Both YHVH and Messiah have said: **IF** you love Me, **KEEP** My Commandments.

The sacrificial system, **IS** YHVH's way of purifying and sanctifying the offerer, so that he or she can indeed draw nearer to YHVH, and tabernacle with Him. The sacrificial system **IS NOT ABOUT DEATH, IT IS ABOUT LIFE.** In *Genesis 1:20 Elohim said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that has life.* The English words *has life* are from the Hebrew words, נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה, Nephesh Chayah.

In *Leviticus 17:11* it says *For the life of the flesh is in the blood*; in Hebrew it says כִּי נֶפֶשׁ הַבָּשָׂר בַּדָּם, Ki Nephesh HaBasar Badam. The word Nephesh means soul, therefore, the Scriptures, tell us that the Life of all flesh, the soul, is in the blood. When the blood of the animal is offered on the altar it is *the soul of the animal, the innocent obedient life of the animal* that is offered, and **NOT** his death. **ALL LIFE IS** very precious to our heavenly Father, and here, the soul, the Life of the animal, **IS** offered up instead of the Life or soul of the offerer. The animal had **no choice in this matter**, he did **NOT, NOR** could he willingly choose **NOT** to go to the altar, nevertheless, the Life of the animal, that was offered up, in the stead of the offerer's Life, made atonement for the offerer's Sin, His Transgressions of the Words of the Father's Torah of Life, **BUT, only IF the offerer had a contrite repentant heart, for then and only then**, was the offerer's Sin, his transgression of the Words of the Father's Torah, of Life, **FORGIVEN**.

Therefore this gave the contrite offerer the opportunity to draw near to Elohim. The animal sacrifice did not, nor could it change the offerer's life, it merely made atonement for his or her sin, his or her transgressions of the Words of the Torah of YHVH, and YHVH then forgave the offerer and allowed the offerer to draw near to Him, where the offerer's heart, **could be changed, IF** he chose to continue on a daily basis in surrendered loving obedience to the Words of our heavenly Father's inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life.

Unlike the animal, that had no choice in the matter, and was sacrificed on the altar, Messiah did indeed have the ability to choose, and out of His great love for us, and our heavenly Father, He willingly chose to become a sacrifice for our Sin, for our Torah transgressions of the Words of the Father's Torah of Life, for Messiah, who is called the second Adam, in *1 Corinthians 15:45*, sacrificed Himself so that we would have the blessed opportunity to reconnect, what Adam had severed through the original sin in the garden of Eden, and once we are reconnected to the Father, through willingly surrendering our hearts, minds, souls and strength to Him, our **PAST SINS** are forgiven (*Romans 3:25*), and our heavenly Father fills us with His Holy Spirit, who is tasked by our heavenly Father to cause every willing heart that will allow Him, to believe, follow and obey all the Words of His Torah of Life, thereby working out our own salvation (*Philippians 2:12*).

Matthew 15:24 But Messiah answered and said, **I am not sent, BUT, unto the lost sheep of the house of Yisrael**. When a person believes and accepts with a surrendered, loving, contrite heart, that Messiah died for him or her, then Messiah's sacrifice, has the ability to change that person's heart forever. Therefore while Messiah's sacrifice does indeed bring atonement, it does much more than atonement, it actually sanctifies and changes the heart of that person, but only **IF** that person allows it to happen. *1 John 1:9* If we confess our sins, YHVH **IS** faithful and just to forgive us our sins **AND** to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

These sacrifices, delineated in the Book of *Leviticus*, which means, *And He called*, which YHVH has declared, are **EVERLASTING ORDINANCES**, are put in place so that every time we obey YHVH's Commandments of offering up a sacrifice, we demonstrate our belief (faith) in the grace, mercy, compassion and promises of Elohim. YHVH has already promised us, His choosing people, that He has made provision for overcoming the consequences of Sin, the consequences of transgressing the Words of His Torah of Life, thereby restoring creation and reconciling His creatures to Himself. Each and every sacrifice, speaks of a different provision for our reconciliation to Him. These sacrifices and offerings **are the foundation of our restored communications with our Creator**.

These sacrifices and offerings proclaim to YHVH, our Elohim, our *desire* to return to the Garden of Eden, and commune with Him on a daily basis. At the same time, these sacrifices and offerings, speak to us of the Creator's plan for the restoration of all things through Yeshua our Messiah, the Living Word of our heavenly Father, made flesh.

We should realize that this isn't something that we do once and for all. In actual fact, we have to understand, that as long as we are living in this world, on this side of our resurrection, we must wrestle with the realization, that we have a mixed nature. It is the Apostle Paul in *Romans 2:14-24* who eloquently describes the very real struggle that rages within each and every one of us, who seek to live out the new life afforded to us by Messiah.

*In Luke 9:23, Yeshua declared that we are to follow Him and **deny** ourselves daily.*

Although we have been taught differently, we must realize, that the sacrificial system **IS** still in **FULL FORCE TODAY**, for our heavenly Father has told us that these **ORDINANCES ARE FOREVER**.

*Psalm 119:151-152 You are near, O YHVH; and **ALL** Your Commandments (including the Commandments about the sacrificial system) **ARE TRUTH**. 152 Concerning Your **Testimonies**, I have **known** of old that You have **FOUNDED THEM FOR EVER**. The Sacrificial system is one of YHVH's everlasting testimonies*

As you can see, according to the book of Vayikra, which means, *And He called*, and many many other places in Scripture, YHVH has firmly established the **FACT**, for **ALL** people to see, that He established His sacrificial system **FOR EVER**, and of that, there can be **NO DOUBT**, **BUT** there are many people that are in bondage to false man made religions and their false man made religious and or secular doctrines, who, unfortunately, believe and teach that Elohim has somehow changed, and that He did indeed **abolish** His Sacrificial system, which YHVH emphatically stated in many places in Scripture, **WAS FOREVER**. **IF** you are one of these people, that believe that Elohim has somehow changed some of His inerrant and everlasting Commandments, please read *Proverbs 24:21-22* where it says:

*My son, Ben, children (that would be you and me), **FEAR YHVH** (the fear of YHVH **IS** the beginning of wisdom) and the king: and **DO NOT MEDDLE WITH THEM THAT ARE GIVEN TO CHANGE**: 22 For their **CALAMITY** (the catastrophe, the disaster, the tragic cataclysmal destruction) of the people, who believe that YHVH has somehow changed, and done away with His Sacrificial system) **SHALL RISE SUDDENLY; AND WHO KNOWS THE RUIN OF THEM BOTH?***

YHVH is making it **very, very clear here**, that **IF** anyone believes that any part of the Words of His Torah of Life, His Directives for everlasting Life, the very same Torah that He gave to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, the very same Torah that became flesh and dwelt among us, the very same Torah that YHVH tells us **IS** filled with **GRACE** and **TRUTH**, **has somehow been CHANGED and or done away with, in whole or in Part, THEN** that catastrophic decision **WILL BE YOUR RUIN**.

What follows are a few more *verses* that tell us that everything that YHVH does, **IS unchanging and everlasting**, and **DOES NOT NEED** any amendments, **and especially any amendments from**

the so called finite wisdom of man. They may seem repetitive, **BUT** it is important that you read them, because they establish beyond a shadow of a doubt that **ALL** of YHVH Commandments, including those that apply to His Sacrificial system **ARE FOREVER**.

*Vayiqra 6:18 All the males among the children of Aharon shall eat of it. It shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** in your generations concerning the offerings of YHVH made by fire: every one that touches them shall be holy.*

*Vayiqra 6:22 And the priest of his sons that is anointed in his stead shall offer it (the sacrifice): it is **A STATUTE FOR EVER** unto YHVH; it shall be wholly burnt.*

*Vayiqra 7:34 For the wave breast and the heave shoulder have I taken of the children of Yisrael from off the **sacrifices of their peace offerings**, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons by **A STATUTE FOR EVER** from among the children of Yisrael.*

*Vayiqra 7:36 Which YHVH commanded to be given them of the children of Yisrael, in the day that He anointed them, by **A STATUTE FOR EVER** throughout their generations.*

*Vayiqra 10:9 Do not drink wine nor strong drink, you, nor your sons with you, when you go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest you die: it shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** throughout your generations:*

*Vayiqra 10:15 The heave shoulder and the wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave it for a wave offering before YHVH; and it shall be yours, and your sons' with you, by **A STATUTE FOR EVER**; as YHVH hath commanded.*

*Vayiqra 16:31 It shall be a Shabbat of rest unto you, and you shall afflict your souls, by **A STATUTE FOR EVER**.*

*Vayiqra 17:7 And they shall no more offer their sacrifices unto devils, after whom they have gone a whoring. This shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** unto them throughout their generations.*

*Vayiqra 23:14 And you shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that you have brought an offering unto your Elohim: it shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** throughout your generations in all your dwellings.*

*Vayiqra 23:21 And you shall proclaim on the selfsame day, that it may be a Holy Convocation unto you: you shall do no servile work therein: it shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** in all your dwellings throughout your generations.*

*Vayiqra 23:31 You shall do no manner of work: it shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** throughout your generations in all your dwellings.*

*Vayiqra 23:41 And you shall keep it a feast unto YHVH seven days in the year. It shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.*

*Vayiqra 24:3 Without the veil of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the congregation, shall Aharon order it from the evening unto the morning before YHVH continually: it shall be **A STATUTE FOR EVER** in your generations.*

*Vayiqra 25:23 **The land shall NOT be sold FOR EVER:** for the land is Mine; for you are strangers and sojourners with Me.*

*Vayiqra 25:30 And if it is not redeemed within the space of a full year, then the house that is in the walled city **SHALL BE ESTABLISHED FOR EVER** to him that bought it throughout his generations: it shall not go out in the jubilee.*

*Vayiqra 25:46 And you shall take them as an inheritance for your children after you, to inherit them for a possession; **they shall be your bondmen FOR EVER:** but over your brethren the children of Yisrael, you shall not rule one over another with rigour.*

As you can see for yourself, the Torah of YHVH **IS here to stay**, because it was created **BY** YHVH Himself as an **EVERLASTING** Commandment, so that **ALL** people **COULD** learn to believe, follow, **AND** obey His Words of Life, **IF** they expect to have **everlasting Life** in the kingdom of Elohim as the Bride of Messiah.

At the end of the book of Exodus we read in verses 34-35 *Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of YHVH filled the tabernacle. 35 And Mosheh was **NOT** able to enter into the tent of the congregation, **because** the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of YHVH **FILLED** the tabernacle.*

This is telling us that **NO ONE** can enter the house of YHVH because of His Holiness, not even Mosheh. It kind of leaves you hanging and wondering, **WELL, IF MOSHEH, TO WHOM YHVH GAVE THE TORAH, COULD NOT APPROACH YHVH, THEN** what chance do we have of approaching Him?

YHVH does **NOT** leave us wondering for very long; because at the beginning of the book of Vayikra, verse 2 we read, that YHVH spoke to Mosheh and said, *Mosheh, speak unto the children of Yisrael, and say unto them, **IF** any man of you bring an offering unto YHVH, you shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the herd, and of the flock.*

In this verse, the word *offering* **IS** the Hebrew word Korban, קָרְבָּן, which means to **draw near**. Therefore YHVH is telling Mosheh to instruct the children of Yisrael, that **IF** any man **wishes to draw near** to YHVH, **THEN** this is what he or she **MUST DO**. So, at the end of the book of Exodus, we have an event that leads us to believe that YHVH is unapproachable because of His holiness, and that **NOT** even Mosheh could approach Him, therefore, as I said above, it would lead us to believe, that, what chance do **WE** have of approaching Him, **BUT** then, at the beginning of the book of Vayikra, which means *And He called*, we see the **Grace, Love** and forgiving nature of YHVH for His people, and His desire to tabernacle among us, He gives us instructions on how we **CAN** be holy as He is Holy and thereby be able to draw nearer and nearer to Him.

Just stop and think for a moment, think of what this means. We are talking about an omnipotent, omniscient and infinite Elohim, the Creator of all things, giving us mere mortals, **the opportunity of**

drawing near to His perfection, and, He has done it all out of His great love for us, and His desire to have us draw near to Him. When I ponder this incredible privilege, I am simply awed by the Love that my heavenly Father has for us, and I hope that when you ponder it, you will also be awed by His great love for you.

Now back to Vayikra; all the sacrifices were offered at the door of the Tabernacle. In the case of the Burnt Sacrifice, the Olah, it was a free will offering of the cattle, the sheep, the goats or of the fowls which were pigeons or turtle doves. It is as if to say, before we enter into the House of YHVH, we must be willing to surrender our wills to His Will, repent of our Sins, repent of our transgressions of the Words of His Torah of Life, and be willing to sacrifice something that is dear to us, in order to approach or *draw near* to our heavenly Father.

The next step, is to put our hands on the head of the Burnt Sacrifice and it says, *it SHALL be accepted for him to make atonement*. That means that the offerer's Sin, His Torah transgression, were transferred onto the animal, who was about to die on behalf of the offerer. Then, the offerer was to slaughter the animal himself, with the aid of the Priests, and the Priests were to collect the blood of the sacrificial animal and bring it to the Altar and sprinkle the blood, round about the Altar. The Altar represents Elohim's ownership and authority over all the Earth. Therefore, by sprinkling the blood *round about* on the Altar, it means that we surrender our life to Elohim (*for the life of all flesh is in the blood*) and that we submit to His authority, submit to every Word that proceeds forth out of the mouth of Elohim, the Words of His Torah of Life.

Next Aharon's sons, the Priests, cut up the animal and placed the head and the fat in order upon the wood that is on fire on the Altar. Why is it in that order, and what about the rest of the animal? Every burnt offering is a picture of our Messiah. *Colossians 1:17-18 And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the assembly: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things He might have the pre-eminence.*

Messiah **IS** the head of the body. He is the head of all the believers and He leads us by example, by the way that He willingly chose to live His own Life, in total loving surrendered obedience to **ALL** the Words of the Father's Torah of Life, and in the way that He died on the cross for us, in total loving surrendered obedience to our heavenly Father, even onto death.

Please remember what Messiah asked our heavenly Father, when He was in the Garden of Gethsemane, *Matthew 26:38-39 Then Messiah said unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry you here, and watch with Me. 39 And He went a little further, and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, O My Father, IF IT BE POSSIBLE, let this cup pass from Me: nevertheless NOT as I will, BUT as You will.*

This tells us that Messiah did **NOT want to be crucified** because He knew the awful pain that He would have to endure, **BUT He did it any way, because** of His great love for our heavenly Father and His creation.

Let's continue, the fat of the animal represents our surrender to the Father, and the fact that we have chosen to place our total **TRUST** in Him. The fat, that is on our organs, **IS** there to protect our organs, therefore by placing the fat that covers the organs, together with the head of the animal, the offerer is saying, that from now on, he would put his complete **TRUST** in the head of **ALL** believer's,

our Messiah, the Words of the Living Torah made flesh, and follow and or mimic the exemplary Torah obedient Life, that He willingly and lovingly lead, and taught us to do the same, when He was here on earth with us.

Then the Priests took the animals innards, and his legs and washed them with water. This is a picture of the body of Messiah, **US**, being washed by the water of the Word and being filled with the Holy Spirit of YHVH. Once all of this was done, **THEN**, it was burnt on the Altar as a sweet savour unto YHVH.

It also says, that the animal that was brought, was to be without blemish, just like our Messiah was without blemish, and our Sin, our transgressions of the Words of Father's Torah, were transferred onto Him, in the same manner that the placing of the hands on the animals head, represented the transfer of the offerer's Sin, his transgressions of the Words of the Torah of YHVH, onto the unblemished animal. Messiah, took our Sin, our Torah transgressions upon Himself, and He was crucified on the cross until He died, just so, He could rid us of that Sin, rid us of our past transgressions of the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life.

The next time you read the Book of Vayikra, the book that means *and Elohim Called Mosheh and us to be holy as He is holy*, try and read it, with this thought in mind, that our Heavenly Father, knowing how easily we forget His Words, His Ways, and start doing things our own way, **CHOSE** to institute a **system**, that would indicate to **ALL** people, those who were before the birth of Messiah, that there is a Saviour coming, and for those of us who are born after the birth, ministry, death and resurrection, of our Messiah, we could look back every time we sacrificed an animal, and **REMEMBER** (*zakar, speak and act on behalf of*) the Son of the most High Elohim and His selfless Sacrifice of dying on the cross for our Sin, our Torah transgressions. The sacrificing of animals does **NOT** take even **one iota of importance away** from Yeshua's sacrifice as most of the fathers of Christianity believe and teach; **INSTEAD, IT IS AND WILL ALWAYS BE, A CONSTANT REMINDER OF WHAT HE HAS DONE FOR US.**

We have to realize, that by doing away with the sacrificial system in our own minds, ***we are actually doing away with this daily reminder of what Yeshua our Messiah has done for us***, and therefore we are in danger of minimizing the value of His great and wonderful selfless sacrifice. As human beings we **NEED** daily reminders so that we ***do not forget***. Amen.

As we continue through these *verses* we see that the blood of the sacrificial fowl was to be wrung out at the side of the Altar. **Why?** I believe it is because there wasn't enough blood in a small bird to sprinkle all about the Altar, and I believe that through this act, YHVH is showing us a picture of our Messiah on the cross, where only a small amount of blood came out of His side, where He had been pierced, because He had spilled most of it through being scourged and then spending six hours nailed to the cross.

Next, we have to realize, that all the Acts that the priests performed in the temple service **ARE** very significant, and **IF** we actually take the time to study them, we will see a wonderful picture of a loving, caring, compassionate and forgiving Father, who sent His only begotten Son to **DIE** on the cross for **OUR** Sin, **OUR** Transgression of the Words of His Torah.

So the next time that you have the opportunity of reading the wonderful and informative book of Vayikra (*and He called*) from now on, try and keep that thought in mind, and I guarantee you, that you will see the love of our heavenly Father absolutely everywhere, in every sentence of this beautiful book where YHVH Himself has called us to His Holiness.

Next we are told that the whole burnt sacrifice was fully consumed on the altar, and that no one could partake of any part of it, which tells us that no one benefited from it, and it had to come from a loving surrendered heart onto YHVH. The priest and or the offerer got nothing from it, for like Messiah, **THE SACRIFICED ANIMAL WAS** fully consumed for the offerer. I would like to give you an example of what this means. Go to the bank and get yourself a hundred dollar bill, and then take it home, set it on fire and let it burn until there is nothing left of it, that is what the whole burnt sacrifice was about, surrendering all you own to the Father in thanksgiving. Now ask yourself, **COULD** you do that? Amein

There is one stand-alone Aleph Tav in *Vayiqra 1*.

*Verse 8 And the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay **Aleph Tav** the parts, the head, and the fat, in order upon the wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar:*

There are also another **fifteen** Aleph Tavs that are attached to words with Maqef, and there are **ten** words that contain both the Aleph and Tav letters within them. The number fifteen in Scripture speaks of **rest**, and the number **ten** speaks of YHVH's Commandments, **ALL** Six Hundred and thirteen of them, also called the Words of His Torah of Life. Therefore I believe that YHVH is telling us through the use of these Aleph Tavs, that **IF** we will simply choose to surrender our wills to His Will in total loving surrendered obedience to the Words of His Torah of Life, we will experience YHVH's **Rest**, which means that we will experience the freedom of being without fear, because we will **KNOW** beyond a shadow of a **DOUBT** that, Like YHVH promised every loving surrendered obedient heart, **He will never leave us nor forsake us**. Amein

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*Have a great Elohim blessed week and may YHVH bless your every thought,
and your every deed. Shalom Alechem. Amein*