

Priestly Responsibilities as Worship
Leviticus 7

Introduction: Sacrifices in Genesis and Exodus

- Gen. 3:21; 4:3–4; 8:20–21; 12:8; 46:1; Exod. 8:27
- Mark Rooker, “The offering of sacrifice was the principle act of Israel’s worship experience.”¹

Sermon Theme:

- We conclude our study of the first major section of Leviticus—The Institution of the Sacrificial System—by considering Leviticus 7 and the priestly responsibilities in the sacrificial system.

I. _____ (6:8–7:36)

- A. The Ascension Offering (6:8–13)
- B. The Grain Offering (6:14–23)
- C. The Sin/Purification Offering (6:24–30)

D. _____ (7:1–10)

i. _____ (1–2)

ii. _____ (3–5)

iii. _____ (6–10)

E. _____ (7:11–36)

i. _____ (11–14)

¹ Mark F. Rooker, *Leviticus*, vol. 3A, The New American Commentary (Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers, 2000), 49.

ii. _____ (15–18)

- “The difference between [*votive and freewill*], on the one hand, and the [*peace offering*], on the other, is that the votive sacrifice (*neder*) is offered when the prayer is answered (Pss. 22:25[26]; 50:14 etc.), while the freewill offering is offered when there is no specific obligation to do so. Moreover the thanksgiving sacrifice is offered in response to the Lord’s gracious unilateral salvific act. Thus the more a worshipper owes to the Lord, the stricter the rules of eating the meat become. In other words, the Lord naturally expects more hospitality in the offering of [*the peace offering*] than of the [*votive*] and [*freewill*]. The common element of the three kinds of offering is the Lord’s desire that the offerer’s self-centeredness be removed by the time the communion meal is held.”²

iii. _____ (19–21)

iv. _____ (22–27)

v. _____ (28–36)

- Jay Sklar, “The Lord commands that some of the very best portions be given to the priests (vv. 31–32, 34). This would have taught the Israelites to honour those who led them in worship: if the Lord honoured the priests by assigning the very best cuts of meat to them, surely the Israelites were to honour them as well.”³

II. _____ (7:37–38)

III. _____

A. _____

B. _____

² Nobuyoshi Kiuchi, *Leviticus*, ed. David W. Baker and Gordon J. Wenham, vol. 3, Apollos Old Testament Commentary (Nottingham, England; Downers Grove, IL: Apollos; InterVarsity Press, 2007), 139.

³ Jay Sklar, *Leviticus: An Introduction and Commentary*, ed. David G. Firth, vol. 3, Tyndale Old Testament Commentaries (Nottingham, England: Inter-Varsity Press, 2013), 138–139.