

The Day of Atonement Part II—Leviticus 16:20-34

The Day of Atonement was the most solemn day in Israel's calendar as instructed by Yahweh himself to Moses. It was a day designed to show God's people both then and now, that:

All are _____

Sin is _____

Holiness is _____

Forgiveness is _____

_____ and _____ is achievable only by God's gracious provision

1. The Procedures and Purpose of the _____

In clear _____ of all the people

Places _____ on the goat's head

The confession of _____ and _____ for all sins

The _____ of sin to the sacrifice

2. The process and purification for complete _____ from sin

Reversing the process:

Leviticus 16:4	Leviticus 16:23-24
A—Take off regular high priestly clothes	C'—Take off special high priestly clothes
B—Bathe	B'—Bathe
C—Put on special high priestly clothes	A'—Put on regular high priestly clothes

Offer the _____ offering

The scapegoat handler must _____

3. The permanent _____ and _____ for the people

A-A perpetual statute (16:29a)

B-Humbling your souls (16:29b)

C-Work prohibition (16:29c)

D-Rationale: a day of atonement for purification (16:30a)

D'-Reaffirmation: you will be purified before the Lord (16:30b)

C'-A sabbath complete rest (16:31a)

B'-Humbling your souls (16:31b)

C'-A perpetual statute (16:31c)

Application:

The Old Covenant	The New Covenant
<u>What has changed...</u>	
❖ The high priest had to offer sacrifices for himself	❖ Jesus is the perfect sacrifice who offers himself for the people— <i>Hebrews 9:26</i>
❖ The high priest enters the most holy place in the tabernacle or temple	❖ Jesus enters the heavenly one before the throne of God— <i>Hebrews 9:11, 24</i>
❖ Shedding of animal blood was insufficient	❖ Shedding of Christ's blood was sufficient— <i>Hebrews 9:12</i>
❖ Only the high priest could enter the most holy place	❖ Jesus makes possible that all God's people can enter the most holy place— <i>Hebrews 10:19-22</i>
❖ Yearly Day of Atonement—could not deal fully and finally with sin	❖ Christ's death once and for all finally and fully dealt with sin— <i>Hebrews 9:14</i>

Common biblical phrases:

The handwriting on the wall_____

A house divided against itself cannot stand_____

By the sweat of your brow_____

Forbidden fruit_____

For everything there is a season_____

Opportunities for explanation and outreach—The “alien sojourner”