

Leviticus: Holy God...Holy People
The Day of Atonement
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Review:

Lev 1-7: Sacrificial Rituals

Lev 8-10: the inauguration of the Aaronic priesthood
(Priests)

Lev 11-15: Reasons for the Sacrifices (Uncleanness)

Lev 16: Repentance, Cleansing and Restoration
(The Day of Atonement)

An Overview of the Day of Atonement...

The Preparation for Cleansing (Lev 16:1-10; 16, 32-33)

The Procedure for Cleansing (Lev 16:11-28)

The Response to Cleansing (Lev 16:29-34)

To summarize chapter 16:

The only way of access into the presence of the Lord is by the application of the atoning blood on the mercy seat and the removal of the sins of the repentant by placing them on a scapegoat.

Leviticus 16 points to Jesus Christ as the superior:

- sacrifice (Rom 3:25; John 3:16-17; 1 John 2:2; Heb 9:11-14; 10:1-10)
- covenant (Heb 7:18-22; 9:15)
- High Priest (Heb 7:27-28; 23-26)
- access to God (Matt 27:50-53; Hebrews 10:18-25)
- ministry (Heb 8:1-2; 9:1-14; 21-28; Isa 53:5-6; 2 Cor 5:21; Gal 3:13; Col 2:16-17; 1 Cor 6:19)

The Significance of these truths:

The New Covenant no longer has need for an annual Day of Atonement, for now, every believer has a right to enter the very presence of God because of the finished work of Jesus Christ.