

## Leviticus 2:1-16 **Grain Offering**

<sup>1</sup> 'When anyone offers a grain offering to the LORD, his offering shall be of fine flour. And he shall pour oil on it, and put frankincense on it. <sup>2</sup> He shall bring it to Aaron's sons, the priests, one of whom shall take from it his handful of fine flour and oil with all the frankincense. And the priest shall burn it as a memorial on the altar, an offering made by fire, a sweet aroma to the LORD. <sup>3</sup> The rest of the grain offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'. It is most holy of the offerings to the LORD made by fire.

<sup>4</sup> 'And if you bring as an offering a grain offering baked in the oven, it shall be unleavened cakes of fine flour mixed with oil, or unleavened wafers anointed with oil. <sup>5</sup> But if your offering is a grain offering baked in a pan, it shall be of fine flour, unleavened, mixed with oil. <sup>6</sup> You shall break it in pieces and pour oil on it; it is a grain offering.

<sup>7</sup> 'If your offering is a grain offering baked in a covered pan, it shall be made of fine flour with oil. <sup>8</sup> You shall bring the grain offering that is made of these things to the LORD. And when it is presented to the priest, he shall bring it to the altar. <sup>9</sup> Then the priest shall take from the grain offering a memorial portion, and burn it on the altar. It is an offering made by fire, a sweet aroma to the LORD. <sup>10</sup> And what is left of the grain offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'. It is most holy of the offerings to the LORD made by fire.

<sup>11</sup> 'No grain offering which you bring to the LORD shall be made with leaven, for you shall burn no leaven nor any honey in any offering to the LORD made by fire. <sup>12</sup> As for the offering of the firstfruits, you shall offer them to the LORD, but they shall not be burned on the altar for a sweet aroma. <sup>13</sup> And every offering of your grain offering you shall season with salt; you shall not allow the salt of the covenant of your God to be lacking from your grain offering. With all your offerings you shall offer salt.

<sup>14</sup> 'If you offer a grain offering of your firstfruits to the LORD, you shall offer for the grain offering of your firstfruits green heads of grain roasted on the fire, grain beaten from full heads. <sup>15</sup> And you shall put oil on it, and lay frankincense on it. It is a grain offering. <sup>16</sup> Then the priest shall burn the memorial portion: part of its beaten grain and part of its oil, with all the frankincense, as an offering made by fire to the LORD. NKJV

### Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Grain Offering includes the **fine flour**, **oil**, and **frankincense**, and **salt**; depicting “sinless service.”
- ✧ **Fine flour** = represents Messiah the Bread that came down from Heaven. [John 6:28-58]
- ✧ **Oil** = represents the Person of the Holy Spirit. [see notes under Exodus 27:20-21]
- ✧ **Frankincense** = The accompanying work of the Holy Spirit as He brings our prayers before the throne of God Most High.
  - ❖ It also symbolizes the work of the Holy Spirit as He helps us in our prayers by groanings we cannot utter. [Romans 8:26]
  - ❖ It symbolizes the Incense accompanying the prayers of the Saints before the Throne of God in Heaven as seen by John. [Revelation 8:3-4]
  - ❖ It represents the preserving Power of God as He is pleased with the love of His saints demonstrated in the nature of the free will offerings.
  - ❖ It represents Messiah Jesus as He acts as our mediator between God and man. [1 Timothy 2:1-7]

- ❖ Without the accompanying Presence of our Mediator, our prayers would not be heard.
- ✧ **Salt** = represents the influence of the believer as he presents to the world the Good News of the purifying and preserving power of God in the Salvation of man. [Matthew 5:13, Mark 9:49-50, Luke 14:34-35, Colossians 4:5-6]
- ✧ God only asks for a handful of the flour to be burned on the altar; symbolic of our dependence on God and our obedience to His commands, it is a memorial portion.
- ✧ Along with the handful of flour burned on the altar, God requires some of the oil, and all the frankincense showing that all the Trinity are together in providing atonement for the person.
- ✧ The rest of the flour and oil are for the Priest as God provides their inheritance from the offerings brought by the people.
  
- ✧ There shall be no leavening or honey with any grain offering brought to be burned on the Altar.
  - ✧ Honey and Leavening would represent man's effort in an attempt to make the offering acceptable to God. God wants our relationship with Him to be of His provision alone as we humbly accept His work in our Salvation.
  - ✧ The only grain offering that may be brought with leavening is the Thanksgiving Offering to be used as a **Heave Offering**. [Leviticus 7:11-14]
- ✧ The **Firstfruits Offering** is to be brought to Yehowah, but it is not to be burned with fire.
- ✧ **Salt** shall accompany every offering.
  - ✧ Salt represents the influence of purity and the preserving power of God.
  - ✧ God only accepts our offerings if they are brought with pure hands. [Isaiah 1:12-15, Jeremiah 14:10-12, Hosea 8:13, Amos 5:21-22, Malachi 1:10-14, Psalm 24:3-4]
- ✧ The Firstfruits Offering is from the green heads of grain representing the freshness of a new life which is continually renewed as we walk close with God.
- ✧ The Priests portion of the Grain Offering is found in [Leviticus 7:8-10]

**GRAIN (MEAL) OFFERING** - typifies MESSIAH's sinless service. MESSIAH, the GRAIN OF WHEAT, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain." [John 12:24]