

## Leviticus 5:1-19 **Trespass Offerings**

<sup>1</sup> 'If a person sins in hearing the utterance of an oath, and is a witness, whether he has seen or known of the matter--if he does not tell it, he bears guilt. <sup>2</sup> Or if a person touches any unclean thing, whether it is the carcass of an unclean beast, or the carcass of unclean livestock, or the carcass of unclean creeping things, and he is unaware of it, he also shall be unclean and guilty. <sup>3</sup> Or if he touches human uncleanness-- whatever uncleanness with which a man may be defiled, and he is unaware of it-- when he realizes it, then he shall be guilty. <sup>4</sup> Or if a person swears, speaking thoughtlessly with his lips to do evil or to do good, whatever it is that a man may pronounce by an oath, and he is unaware of it--when he realizes it, then he shall be guilty in any of these matters. <sup>5</sup> And it shall be, when he is guilty in any of these matters, that he shall confess that he has sinned in that thing; <sup>6</sup> and he shall bring his trespass offering to the LORD for his sin which he has committed, a female from the flock, a lamb or a kid of the goats as a sin offering. So the priest shall make atonement for him concerning his sin.

<sup>7</sup> 'If he is not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring to the LORD, for his trespass which he has committed, two turtledoves or two young pigeons: one as a sin offering and the other as a burnt offering. <sup>8</sup> And he shall bring them to the priest, who shall offer that which is for the sin offering first, and wring off its head from its neck, but shall not divide it completely. <sup>9</sup> Then he shall sprinkle some of the blood of the sin offering on the side of the altar, and the rest of the blood shall be drained out at the base of the altar. It is a sin offering. <sup>10</sup> And he shall offer the second as a burnt offering according to the prescribed manner. So the priest shall make atonement on his behalf for his sin which he has committed, and it shall be forgiven him.

<sup>11</sup> 'But if he is not able to bring two turtledoves or two young pigeons, then he who sinned shall bring for his offering one-tenth of an ephah of fine flour as a sin offering. He shall put no oil on it, nor shall he put frankincense on it, for it is a sin offering. <sup>12</sup> Then he shall bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it as a memorial portion, and burn it on the altar according to the offerings made by fire to the LORD. It is a sin offering. <sup>13</sup> The priest shall make atonement for him, for his sin that he has committed in any of these matters; and it shall be forgiven him. The rest shall be the priest's as a grain offering.' "

<sup>14</sup> Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: <sup>15</sup> "If a person commits a trespass, and sins unintentionally in regard to the holy things of the LORD, then he shall bring to the LORD as his trespass offering a ram without blemish from the flocks, with your valuation in shekels of silver according to the shekel of the sanctuary, as a trespass offering. <sup>16</sup> And he shall make restitution for the harm that he has done in regard to the holy thing, and shall add one-fifth to it and give it to the priest. So the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering, and it shall be forgiven him.

<sup>17</sup> "If a person sins, and commits any of these things which are forbidden to be done by the commandments of the LORD, though he does not know it, yet he is guilty and shall bear his iniquity. <sup>18</sup> And he shall bring to the priest a ram without blemish from the flock, with your valuation, as a trespass offering. So the priest shall make atonement for him regarding his ignorance in which he erred and did not know it, and it shall be forgiven him. <sup>19</sup> It is a trespass offering; he has certainly trespassed against the LORD." NKJV

Facts Revealed:

## Specific Trespasses

- ✧ A person is guilty of a Trespass if:
  - ◇ He fails to give testimony as a witness after hearing the utterance of an oath.
  - ◇ He touches any unclean thing even if he is not aware of it.
  - ◇ He touches human uncleanness even if he is not aware of it.
  - ◇ If he swears speaking thoughtlessly with his lips, either good or bad even if he is not aware of it.
- ✧ Atonement is needed and provided by God as He prescribes an acceptable substitute.
- ✧ When he is aware of it, he shall confess that he has sinned in the matter, and he shall bring his trespass offering to Yehowah for his sin which he has sinned.
  - ◇ The offering shall be a female from the flock, a lamb or a young goat.
- ✧ If he is not able to bring a lamb or a young goat,
  - ◇ Then he shall bring two turtledoves or young pigeons, one as a sin offering and the other as a Burnt Offering.
  - ◇ The priest shall wring off its head from its neck, but shall not divide it completely.
  - ◇ The Priest shall then sprinkle some of the blood on the side of the altar and then pour out the remaining blood at the base of the altar.
  - ◇ He shall offer the second as a Burnt Offering according to the prescribed manner. [[Leviticus 1:14-17](#)]
  - ◇ Thus the Priest shall make atonement for the one who sinned.
- ✧ If he is not able to bring two turtledoves or two young pigeons;
  - ◇ Then he shall bring one-tenth of an ephah of fine flour as a Sin Offering to the priest.
  - ◇ He shall put no oil or frankincense on it.
  - ◇ The priest shall take his handful of it as a memorial portion, and burn it on the altar according to the offerings made by fire to Yehowah. [[Leviticus 2:9-10](#)] It is a Sin Offering.
  - ◇ Thus the Priest shall make atonement for the one who sinned and it shall be forgiven him.
  - ◇ The rest of the flour is the Priest's as a grain offering.
- ✧ The Law is set to place all people under sin so God can show mercy on His own terms. [[Romans 3:9-19](#), [11:30-32](#), [Galatians 3:22](#)]

## Trespasses against Holy Things

- ✧ Again, the trespass is unintentional.
- ✧ The prescribed Sacrifice is a ram without blemish.
- ✧ He shall make restoration of the Holy Thing in the form of money according to the valuation of the damage and he shall add one-fifth to it and give it to the priest.
- ✧ The Priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the Trespass Offering, and he shall be forgiven.

## General Trespass

- ✧ Again, the trespass is unintentional.
- ✧ The person sins and does any of the things that are forbidden to be done by the commandments of Yehowah even though he does not know it, still he is guilty, he has certainly trespassed against Yehowah.
- ✧ The sacrifice required is a ram without blemish.
- ✧ He shall make restitution in money according to the value of the damage he has done.

- ✧ The Priest shall make atonement for him regarding the thing he did in ignorance and he will be forgiven.
- ✧ Atonement speaks of the work of Messiah Jesus as He becomes the final sacrifice to satisfy Almighty God's requirement for our reconciliation which is provided by His blood through faith that He might be the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. [Romans 3:21-26, Hebrews 2:14-18, 1 John 2:1-2, 4:7-11]
- ✧ See also notes under [Leviticus 7:1-7]

**TRESPASS OFFERING** - typifies MESSIAH's payment for the damage of sin. [Leviticus 5:1-19, 6:1-7, 7:1-7] YESHUA ha'MASHIACH is our TRESPASS OFFERING, "**And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, HE has made alive together with HIM, having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And HE has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.**" [Colossians 2:13-14]