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### THE PEACE OFFERING

**Scriptures:** *Leviticus 3:1-17; 7:11-34; 19:5-8; 22:21-25; Numbers 15:2-16; Deuteronomy 12:5-14*

**General Name** – from Hebrew word – **Shelem** – from the root word which means **“to make up, supply that which is lacking, wanting, deficient.”** Also called **“the offering of completion.”**

For atonement leads to reconciliation with God. And reconciliation to fellowship between God and man. It was the most joyous of sacrifices.

Being one of the **“sweet aroma”** sacrifices. The fat of the peace-offering was called **“the food of the offering made by fire to Jehovah”** Leviticus 3:11 – It is God's food.

The rest of the animal is given man as **“the bread of God”** Leviticus 21:6, 7, 21. Thus the whole sacrifice is a festive banquet, celebrating a season of happy fellowship with God.

Main object consists of a sacrifice which terminates in a festive sacrificial meal.

To express an attitude of restored peace friendship and fellowship with God. Therefore it comes at the end of the sacrificial repertoire. Psalm 116:17 – **“I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call upon the name of Jehovah.”** Anyone presuming to eat the peace-offering without all sins and impurities already removed by the sin or trespass-offering: **“...but the soul that eats of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, that pertain to Jehovah, having his uncleanness upon him, that soul will be cut off from his people”** – Leviticus 7:19-20.

Even ceremonial impurities disqualified for this banquet.

Jesus has become that which is reconciliation and atonement for the creation and the love of His heart. Always remember to give Him glory for such a love as we see here.

God is good, I love you all.

In the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior, Amen and amen.

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