

Yom Kippur

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Complete Jewish Bible

Leviticus 16

1 ADONAI spoke with Moshe after the death of Aharon's two sons, when they tried to sacrifice before ADONAI and died; **2** ADONAI said to Moshe, "Tell your brother Aharon not to come at just any time into the Holy Place beyond the curtain, in front of the ark-cover which is on the ark, so that he will not die; because I appear in the cloud over the ark-cover. **3** "Here is how Aharon is to enter the Holy Place: with a young bull as a sin offering and a ram as a burnt offering. **4** He is to put on the holy linen tunic, have the linen shorts next to his bare flesh, have the linen sash wrapped around him, and be wearing the linen turban -they are the holy garments. He is to bathe his body in water and put them on. **5** "He is to take from the community of the people of Isra'el two male goats for a sin offering and one ram for a burnt offering. **6** Aharon is to present the bull for the sin offering which is for himself and make atonement for himself and his household. **7** He is to take the two goats and place them before ADONAI at the entrance to the tent of meeting. **8** Then Aharon is to cast lots for the two goats, one lot for ADONAI and the other for 'Az'azel. **9** Aharon is to present the goat whose lot fell to ADONAI and offer it as a sin offering. **10** But the goat whose lot fell to 'Az'azel is to be presented alive to ADONAI to be used for making atonement over it by sending it away into the desert for 'Az'azel. **11** "Aharon is to present the bull of the sin offering for himself; he will make atonement for himself and his household; he is to slaughter the bull of the sin offering which is for himself. **12** He is to take a censer full of burning coals from the altar before ADONAI and, with his hands full of ground, fragrant incense, bring it inside the curtain. **13** He is to put the incense on the fire before ADONAI, so that the cloud from the incense will cover the ark-cover which is over the testimony, in order that he not die. **14** He is to take some of the bull's blood and sprinkle it with his finger on the ark-cover toward the east; and in front of the ark-cover he is to sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times. **15** "Next, he is to slaughter the goat of the sin offering which is for the people, bring its blood inside the curtain and do with its blood as he did with the bull's blood, sprinkling it on the ark-cover and in front of the ark-cover. **16** He will make atonement for the Holy Place because of the uncleannesses of the people of Isra'el and because of their transgressions - all their sins; and he is to do the same for the tent of meeting which is there with them right in the middle of their uncleannesses. **17** No one is to be present in the tent of meeting from the time he enters the Holy Place to make atonement until the time he comes out, having made atonement for himself, for his household and for the entire community of Isra'el. **18** Then he is to go out to the altar that is before ADONAI and make atonement for it; he is to take some of the bull's blood and some of the goat's blood and put it on all the horns of the altar. **19** He is to sprinkle some of the blood on it with his finger seven times, thus purifying it and setting it apart from the uncleannesses of the people of Isra'el. **20** "When he has finished atoning for the Holy Place, the tent of meeting and the altar, he is to present the live goat. **21** Aharon is to lay both his hands on the head of the live goat and confess over it all the transgressions, crimes and sins of the people of Isra'el; he is to put them on the head of the goat and then send it away into the desert with a man appointed for the purpose. **22** The goat will bear all their transgressions away to some isolated place, and he is to let the goat go in the desert. **23** "Aharon is to go back into the tent of meeting, where he is to remove the linen garments he put on when he entered the Holy Place, and he is to leave them there. **24** Then he is to bathe his body in water in a holy place, put on his other clothes, come out and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, thus making atonement for himself and for the people. **25** He is to make the fat of the sin offering go up in smoke on the altar. **26** "The man who let go the goat for 'Az'azel is to wash his clothes and bathe his body in water; afterwards, he may return to the camp. **27** "The bull for the sin offering and the goat for the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the Holy Place, is to be carried outside the camp; there they are to burn up completely their hides, meat and dung. **28** The person burning them is to wash his clothes and bathe his body in water; afterwards, he may return to the camp. **29** "It is to be a permanent regulation for you that on the tenth day of the seventh month you are to deny yourselves and not do any kind of work, both the citizen and the

foreigner living with you. **30** For on this day, atonement will be made for you to purify you; you will be clean before ADONAI from all your sins. **31** It is a Shabbat of complete rest for you, and you are to deny yourselves. "This is a permanent regulation. **32** The cohen anointed and consecrated to be cohen in his father's place will make the atonement; he will put on the linen garments, the holy garments; **33** he will make atonement for the Especially Holy Place; he will make atonement for the tent of meeting and the altar; and he will make atonement for the cohanim and for all the people of the community. **34** This is a permanent regulation for you, to make atonement for the people of Isra'el because of all their sins once a year." Moshe did as ADONAI had ordered him.

Leviticus 18

1 ADONAI said to Moshe, **2** "Speak to the people of Isra'el; tell them, 'I am ADONAI your God. **3** You are not to engage in the activities found in the land of Egypt, where you used to live; and you are not to engage in the activities found in the land of Kena'an, where I am bringing you; nor are you to live by their laws. **4** You are to obey my rulings and laws and live accordingly; I am ADONAI your God. **5** You are to observe my laws and rulings; if a person does them, he will have life through them; I am ADONAI. **6** "None of you is to approach anyone who is a close relative in order to have sexual relations; I am ADONAI. **7** You are not to have sexual relations with your father, and you are not to have sexual relations with your mother. She is your mother -do not have sexual relations with her. **8** You are not to have sexual relations with your father's wife; that is your father's prerogative. **9** You are not to have sexual relations with your sister, the daughter of your father or the daughter of your mother, whether born at home or elsewhere. Do not have sexual relations with them. **10** You are not to have sexual relations with your son's daughter or with your daughter's daughter. Do not have sexual relations with them, because their sexual disgrace will be your own. **11** You are not to have sexual relations with your father's wife's daughter, born to your father, because she is your sister; do not have sexual relations with her. **12** You are not to have sexual relations with your father's sister, because she is your father's close relative. **13** You are not to have sexual relations with your mother's sister, because she is your mother's close relative. **14** You are not to disgrace your father's brother by having sexual relations with his wife, because she is your aunt. **15** You are not to have sexual relations with your daughter-in-law; because she is your son's wife. Do not have sexual relations with her. **16** You are not to have sexual relations with your brother's wife, because this is your brother's prerogative. **17** "You are not to have sexual relations with both a woman and her daughter, nor are you to have sexual relations with her son's daughter or her daughter's daughter; they are close relatives of hers, and it would be shameful. **18** You are not to take a woman to be a rival with her sister and have sexual relations with her while her sister is still alive. **19** You are not to approach a woman in order to have sexual relations with her when she is unclean from her time of niddah. **20** You are not to go to bed with your neighbor's wife and thus become unclean with her. **21** "You are not to let any of your children be sacrificed to Molekh, thereby profaning the name of your God; I am ADONAI. **22** "You are not to go to bed with a man as with a woman; it is an abomination. **23** "You are not to have sexual relations with any kind of animal and thus become unclean with it; nor is any woman to present herself to an animal to have sexual relations with it; it is perversion. **24** "Do not make yourselves unclean by any of these things, because all the nations which I am expelling ahead of you are defiled with them. **25** The land has become unclean, and this is why I am punishing it - the land itself will vomit out its inhabitants. **26** But you are to keep my laws and rulings and not engage in any of these disgusting practices, neither the citizen nor the foreigner living with you; **27** for the people of the land have committed all these abominations, and the land is now defiled. **28** If you make the land unclean, it will vomit you out too, just as it is vomiting out the nation that was there before you. **29** For those who engage in any of these disgusting practices, whoever they may be, will be cut off from their people. **30** So keep my charge not to follow any of these abominable customs that others before you have followed and thus defile yourselves by doing them. I am ADONAI your God."

Isaiah 57:14-21

14 Then he will say, "Keep building! Keep building! Clear the way! Remove everything blocking my people's path!" **15** For thus says the High, Exalted One who lives forever, whose name is Holy: "I live in the high and holy place but also with the broken and humble, in order to revive the spirit of the humble and revive the hearts of the broken ones. **16** For I will not fight them forever or always nurse my anger;

otherwise their spirits would faint before me, the creatures I myself have made. **17** It was because of their flagrant greed that I was angry and struck them; I hid myself and was angry, but they continued on their own rebellious way. **18** I have seen their ways, and I will heal them; I will lead them and give comfort to them and to those who mourn for them **19** I will create the right words: 'Shalom shalom to those far off and to those nearby!' says ADONAI; 'I will heal them!'" **20** But the wicked are like the restless sea - unable to be still, its waters toss up mud and dirt. **21** There is no shalom, says my God, for the wicked.

Isaiah 58:1-14

1 Shout out loud! Don't hold back! Raise your voice like a shofar! Proclaim to my people what rebels they are, to the house of Ya'akov their sins. **2** "Oh yes, they seek me day after day and [claim to] delight in knowing my ways. As if they were an upright nation that had not abandoned the rulings of their God, they ask me for just rulings and [claim] to take pleasure in closeness to God, **3** [asking,] 'Why should we fast, if you don't see? Why mortify ourselves, if you don't notice?' "Here is my answer: when you fast, you go about doing whatever you like, while keeping your laborers hard at work. **4** Your fasts lead to quarreling and fighting, to lashing out with violent blows. On a day like today, fasting like yours will not make your voice heard on high. **5** "Is this the sort of fast I want, a day when a person mortifies himself? Is the object to hang your head like a reed and spread sackcloth and ashes under yourself? Is this what you call a fast, a day that pleases ADONAI? **6** "Here is the sort of fast I want - releasing those unjustly bound, untying the thongs of the yoke, letting the oppressed go free, breaking every yoke, **7** sharing your food with the hungry, taking the homeless poor into your house, clothing the naked when you see them, fulfilling your duty to your kinsmen!" **8** Then your light will burst forth like the morning, your new skin will quickly grow over your wound; your righteousness will precede you, and ADONAI's glory will follow you. **9** Then you will call, and ADONAI will answer; you will cry, and he will say, "Here I am." If you will remove the yoke from among you, stop false accusation and slander, **10** generously offer food to the hungry and meet the needs of the person in trouble; then your light will rise in the darkness, and your gloom become like noon. **11** ADONAI will always guide you; he will satisfy your needs in the desert, he will renew the strength in your limbs; so that you will be like a watered garden, like a spring whose water never fails. **12** You will rebuild the ancient ruins, raise foundations from ages past, and be called "Repairer of broken walls, Restorer of streets to live in." **13** "If you hold back your foot on Shabbat from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call Shabbat a delight, ADONAI's holy day, worth honoring; then honor it by not doing your usual things or pursuing your interests or speaking about them. **14** If you do, you will find delight in ADONAI - I will make you ride on the heights of the land and feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Ya'akov, for the mouth of ADONAI has spoken."

Zechariah 14

1 Look, a day is coming for ADONAI when your plunder, [Yerushalayim], will be divided right there within you. **2** "For I will gather all the nations against Yerushalayim for war. The city will be taken, the houses will be rifled, the women will be raped, and half the city will go into exile; but the rest of the people will not be cut off from the city." **3** Then ADONAI will go out and fight against those nations, fighting as on a day of battle. **4** On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which lies to the east of Yerushalayim; and the Mount of Olives will be split in half from east to west, to make a huge valley. Half of the mountain will move toward the north, and half of it toward the south. **5** You will flee to the valley in the mountains, for the valley in the mountains will reach to Atzel. You will flee, just as you fled before the earthquake in the days of 'Uziah king of Y'hudah. Then ADONAI my God will come to you with all the holy ones. **6** On that day, there will be neither bright light nor thick darkness; **7** and one day, known to ADONAI, will be neither day nor night, although by evening there will be light. **8** On that day, fresh water will flow out from Yerushalayim, half toward the eastern sea and half toward the western sea, both summer and winter. **9** Then ADONAI will be king over the whole world. On that day ADONAI will be the only one, and his name will be the only name. **10** All the land will be made like the 'Aravah, from Geva to Rimmon in the Negev. Yerushalayim will be raised up and inhabited where she is, from Binyamin's Gate to the place where the earlier gate stood, and on to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hanan'el to the king's winepresses. **11** People will live there, the curse will be broken, and Yerushalayim will live in safety. **12** ADONAI will strike all the peoples who made war against Yerushalayim with a plague in which their flesh rots away while they are standing on their feet, their eyes rot away in their sockets, and their tongues rot away in

their mouths. **13** When that day comes, there will be among them great panic, sent by ADONAI, so that everyone lays hands on his neighbor, who in turn attacks him. **14** Y'hudah too will fight against Yerushalayim; and the wealth of all the nations will be assembled - gold, silver and clothing in great abundance. **15** A plague like this plague will also affect the horses, mules, camels, donkeys and all the other animals in those camps. **16** Finally, everyone remaining from all the nations that came to attack Yerushalayim will go up every year to worship the king, ADONAI-Tzva'ot, and to keep the festival of Sukkot. **17** If any of the families of the earth does not go up to Yerushalayim to worship the king, ADONAI-Tzva'ot, no rain will fall on them. **18** If the family of Egypt doesn't go up, if they refuse to come, they will have no [annual] overflow [from the Nile]; moreover, there will be the plague with which ADONAI will strike the nations that don't go up to keep the festival of Sukkot. **19** This will be Egypt's punishment and the punishment of all the nations that don't go up to keep the festival of Sukkot. **20** When that day comes, this will be written on the bells worn by the horses: "Consecrated to ADONAI"; and the cooking pots in the house of ADONAI will be [as holy] as the sprinkling bowls before the altar. **21** Yes, every cooking pot in Yerushalayim and Y'hudah will be consecrated to ADONAI-Tzva'ot. Everyone who offers sacrifices will come, take them and use them to stew the meat. When that day comes, there will no longer be merchants in the house of ADONAI-Tzva'ot.

I Kings 8:2-21

2 All the men of Isra'el assembled before King Shlomo at the festival in the month of Etanim, the seventh month. **3** All the leaders of Isra'el came. The cohanim took the ark **4** and brought up the ark of ADONAI, the tent of meeting and all the holy utensils that were in the tent; these are what the cohanim and L'vi'im brought up. **5** King Shlomo and the whole community of Isra'el assembled in his presence were with him in front of the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen in numbers beyond counting or recording. **6** The cohanim brought the ark for the covenant of ADONAI in to its place inside the sanctuary of the house, to the Especially Holy Place, under the wings of the k'ruvim. **7** For the k'ruvim spread out their wings over the place for the ark, covering the ark and its poles from above. **8** The poles were so long that their ends could be seen from the Holy Place in front of the sanctuary, but they could not be seen from outside; they are there to this day. **9** There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone which Moshe put there at Horev, when ADONAI made the covenant with the people of Isra'el at the time of their leaving the land of Egypt. **10** When the cohanim came out of the Holy Place, the cloud filled the house of ADONAI, **11** so that, because of the cloud, the cohanim could not stand up to perform their service; for the glory of ADONAI filled the house of ADONAI. **12** Shlomo said, "ADONAI said he would live in thick darkness. **13** But I have built you a magnificent house, a place where you can live forever." **14** Then the king turned around and blessed the whole community of Isra'el. The whole community of Isra'el stood **15** as he said: "Blessed be ADONAI, the God of Isra'el, who spoke to my father David with his mouth and fulfilled his promise with his hand. He said, **16** 'Since the day I brought my people Isra'el out of Egypt, I chose no city from any of the tribes of Isra'el in which to build a house, so that my name might be there; but I did choose David to be over my people Isra'el.' **17** Now it was in the heart of David my father to build a house for the name of ADONAI the God of Isra'el; **18** but ADONAI said to David my father, 'Although it was in your heart to build a house for my name, and you did well that it was in your heart, **19** nevertheless you will not build the house. Rather, you will father a son, and it will be he who will build the house for my name.' **20** Now ADONAI has fulfilled this spoken word of his; for I have succeeded my father and sit on the throne of Isra'el, as ADONAI promised; and I have built the house for the name of ADONAI the God of Isra'el. **21** And there I have made a place for the ark containing the covenant of ADONAI, which he made with our ancestors when he brought them out of the land of Egypt."

Romans 3:21-26

21 But now, quite apart from Torah, God's way of making people righteous in his sight has been made clear - although the Torah and the Prophets give their witness to it as well - **22** and it is a righteousness that comes from God, through the faithfulness of Yeshua the Messiah, to all who continue trusting. For it makes no difference whether one is a Jew or a Gentile, **23** since all have sinned and come short of earning God's praise. **24** By God's grace, without earning it, all are granted the status of being considered righteous before him, through the act redeeming us from our enslavement to sin that was accomplished by the Messiah Yeshua. **25** God put Yeshua forward as the kapparrah for sin through his faithfulness in

respect to his bloody sacrificial death. This vindicated God's righteousness; because, in his forbearance, he had passed over [with neither punishment nor remission] the sins people had committed in the past; **26** and it vindicates his righteousness in the present age by showing that he is righteous himself and is also the one who makes people righteous on the ground of Yeshua's faithfulness.

Hebrews 10:1-12

1 For the Torah has in it a shadow of the good things to come, but not the actual manifestation of the originals. Therefore, it can never, by means of the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, bring to the goal those who approach the Holy Place to offer them. **2** Otherwise, wouldn't the offering of those sacrifices have ceased? For if the people performing the service had been cleansed once and for all, they would no longer have sins on their conscience. **3** No, it is quite the contrary - in these sacrifices is a reminder of sins, year after year. **4** For it is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. **5** This is why, on coming into the world, he says, "It has not been your will to have an animal sacrifice and a meal offering; rather, you have prepared for me a body. **6** No, you have not been pleased with burnt offerings and sin offerings. **7** Then I said, 'Look! In the scroll of the book it is written about me. I have come to do your will.'" **8** In saying first, "You neither willed nor were pleased with animal sacrifices, meal offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings," things which are offered in accordance with the Torah; **9** and then, "Look, I have come to do your will"; he takes away the first system in order to set up the second. **10** It is in connection with this will that we have been separated for God and made holy, once and for all, through the offering of Yeshua the Messiah's body. **11** Now every cohen stands every day doing his service, offering over and over the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. **12** But this one, after he had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, sat down at the right hand of God,