

*Hello! This is Dorothy -*

We are considering that amazing day of the year when the high priest was allowed to enter the Holy of holies. In doing so, he could only come by bringing the blood of a sacrifice of an animal. Only in coming with the presentation of the blood could he go before God and not be consumed. Now why do I say this? Those of us who have been looking at some of the sections of **Hebrews** will realize that it is only by the spotless, sinless Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ that we can appear before a holy God. Therefore, the sacrifice of our Lord always involves that precious Blood. Any message that denies the work of the precious Blood is not a word that is based on Scripture.

So, you can imagine, therefore, that on this very holy day, not only did the high priest come, but, first of all, he had to take a bull and know the shedding of that blood to cover his sin and those who were working with him, the other priests who were Levites. He then had to go and represent the people, the people of Israel, and their sin. As he did so, he had to prepare his heart, going first to the Lord for His own sin and come out again. Then, as we follow along in **Leviticus chapter 16**, he had to —

**6 . . . make an atonement for himself, and for his house - *the other priests.***

**7 And he shall take two goats, and present them before the Lord at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.**

**8 And Aaron *-the high priest -* shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the Lord, and the other lot for a scapegoat.**

**9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the Lord's lot fell, and offer him for a sin offering.**

**10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the Lord, to make an atonement with him, and to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.**

In other words, he was set free. The price that was being paid, representing that goat, was the sacrifice that was to be paid to meet the requirement of a holy God.

You and I are set free. We go out with sin, condemnation, death free; we have been totally delivered. I do not know if this ever dawns on your soul. Perhaps you came to the Lord Jesus and you kind of took it a little bit for granted. You got caught up in the program of the church and what Christians have to do; perhaps you sing in the choir; perhaps you go out and you do your thing. Did you ever realize the price that had to be paid to set you free? Jesus Christ literally took upon Himself your sin and mine. Please praise and

thank Him at this moment. Do not take this for granted. Never hear the Word of God as it comes clearly from the Spirit of the Lord and in any way reject what is being said, because it brings hardening to the heart. Instead, open your heart and just be amazed. We are talking about the Lord God having done this for us.

This beautiful story goes on to say in **Leviticus 16** —

**11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself . . .** - *he had to, because he was a sinner even though he was the high priest - for no man is sinless except the Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, Aaron had to bring an offering to come before a holy God. . . and shall make an atonement for himself .*

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**12 And he shall take a censer full of the burning coals of fire from off the altar before the Lord, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the veil.**

He came before a holy God with not only the perfume, the fragrance, but that ascending sacrifice unto the Lord in the worshipful demonstration of these coals, which were causing a cloud to come up from them. That meant he could not look upon a holy God, because he was a sinner and could not come before a holy God.

You see, it was Jesus Christ dying on the Cross that, at that moment, caused that God from heaven would tear the veil from top to bottom. We can come before a holy God, but do you know, we

cannot look into the face of a holy God, except through our Lord Jesus Christ? There is no way somebody can say, “Oh, I go straight to God; I do not need Jesus!” No. That person is going to another god -*small g* - a god which is depicting Satan and his hordes of delusive demons.

Come to God through Jesus as you come now through the precious Blood and say, *I receive You, Lord, as my personal Saviour. Thank You for coming into my heart.*

*In Jesus Name. Amen.*