Feasts of Israel - The Day of Atonement

The Story of Nadab and Abihu

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Exo 24:9-11 Moses and Aaron, *Nadab and Abihu*, and the seventy elders of Israel went up (10) and <u>saw the God of Israel</u>. Under his feet was something like a pavement made of lapis lazuli, as bright blue as the sky. (11) <u>But God did not raise his hand against these leaders</u> of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank.

They Saw God and Lived...They offered unauthorized fire and Died

Lev 10:1-11 Aaron's sons <u>Nadab and Abihu</u> took their censers, put fire in them and added incense; and <u>they offered unauthorized fire</u> before the LORD, <u>contrary to his command</u>.
 (2) So <u>fire came out from the presence of the LORD and consumed them</u>, and they died before the LORD. (3) Moses then said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke of when he said: "Among those who approach me I will be proved holy; in the sight of all the people I will be honored." Aaron remained silent. (4) Moses summoned Mishael and Elzaphan, sons of Aaron's uncle Uzziel, and said to them, "Come here; carry your cousins outside the camp, away from the front of the sanctuary."

He is a Holy God and this Has Not Changed

Slide 2 The Flood, Sodom and Gomorrah, the Lake of Fire

- How do we approach a God like this?...a God whose holiness demands justice?
- OT and NT He is the same

The Day of Atonement - This is how Aaron enters - Context Nadab and Abihu

Slide 3 & Slide 4 & Slide 5	Lev 16:1-3 The LORD spoke to Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron who died when they approached the LORD. (2) The LORD said to Moses: "Tell your brother Aaron that he is not to come whenever he chooses into the Most Holy Place behind the curtain in front of the atonement cover [a.k.a. mercy seat] on the ark, or else he will die. For I will appear in the cloud over the atonement cover [a.k.a. mercy seat]. (3) "This is how Aaron is to enter the Most Holy Place: He must first bring a young bull for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering.
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Slide 6	Hebrews 9:1-5 ¹ Now the first covenant had regulations for worship and also an earthly sanctuary. ² A tabernacle was set up. In its first room were the lampstand, the
&	table and the consecrated bread; this was called the Holy Place. ³ Behind the second curtain was a room called the Most Holy Place, ⁴ which had the golden altar of
Slide 7	incense and the gold-covered ark of the covenant. This ark contained the gold jar of manna, Aaron's staff that had budded, and the stone tablets of the covenant. ⁵ Above the ark were the cherubim of the Glory, overshadowing the atonement cover.

Reminders of man's sin and rebellion - in the Ark - UNDER the Mercy Seat

- Manna a reminder that they disobeyed God did not go into the promised land everyone over the age of 20 except Joshua and Caleb died in the wilderness (when they left Egypt there were 601,730 age of men of war- between 20 and 50 (Numb 26:51) if you can't the men older than 50 and the women over the age of 20 you were well over 1.5 million people died.
- Aaron's Staff The staff represented God's authority. Korah Dathan and Abiram rebelled against God's Authority - 14,750 died
- **The Stone Tablets** People were beginning to sacrifice to the God's of Moab breaking the first commandment Phineas jumped in **24,000 died in the plague**

BUT Blood on the MERCY SEAT(Read Lev 16 for complete list)

Lev 16:14-15 NIV He is to take some of the bull's blood and with his finger sprinkle it on the front of the atonement cover; then he shall sprinkle some of it with his finger seven times before the atonement cover. 15 "He shall then slaughter the goat for the sin offering for the people and take its blood behind the curtain and do with it as he did with the bull's blood: **He shall sprinkle it on the atonement cover and in front of it.**

Vs 30 on this day atonement will be made for you, to cleanse you. Then, before the LORD, you will be clean from all your sins

Vs 34 Atonement is to be made once a year for all the sins of the Israelites.

Jesus was the Fulfillment of this

Hebrews 9:24-26 ²⁴For Christ did not enter a man-made sanctuary that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence.

Hebrews 9:12-14 He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but **he entered the**Most Holy Place once for all <u>by his own blood</u>, having obtained eternal redemption. ¹³The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. ¹⁴How much more, then, will the <u>blood of Christ</u>, who <u>through the eternal Spirit</u> offered himself <u>unblemished to God</u>, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!......

Slide 8 His Holiness is not compromised...His love is expressed Romans 3:25 God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— 1Jn 4:10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins Psa 89:14 NIV Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.

What DOES Atonement Mean?

The Hebrew word <u>kaphar</u> means "to cover over" H3725 expiation (only in plural):—atonement. [from H3722 A primitive root; to cover (specifically with bitumen); figuratively to expiate or condone, to placate or cancel:—appease, make (an) atonement, cleanse, disannul, forgive, be merciful, pacify, pardon, to pitch, purge (away), put off, (make) reconcile (-liation).

How was the word Used? [words bold Italic underline is the word for atonement] Preserve from judgement

 Genesis 6:14 So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out.

To pacify anger

Genesis 32:20 ²⁰And be sure to say, 'Your servant Jacob is coming behind us." For he thought, "I will pacify him with these gifts I am sending on ahead;

Incense for atonement stopped the plague due to rebellion

Numbers 16:46-50 ... The plague had already started among the people, but Aaron offered
the incense and made <u>atonement</u> for them. He stood between the living and the dead, and
the plague stopped. But <u>14,700</u> people died from the plague

Phineas made atonement by executing judgement on sin

• Numbers 25:1-13 ... "Phinehas son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, the priest, has turned my anger away from the Israelites; for he was as zealous as I am for my honor among them, so that in my zeal I did not put an end to them. Therefore tell him I am making my covenant of peace with him. ¹³He and his descendants will have a covenant of a lasting priesthood, because he was zealous for the honor of his God and made <u>atonement</u> for the Israelites.".....vs 9 And those that died in the plague were <u>24.000</u>

Forgiveness

• Psalm 65:2-3 O you who hear prayer, to you all men will come. ³ When we were overwhelmed by sins, you <u>forgave</u> our transgressions.

Let us Approach with Confidence

Hebrews 10:19-25 Therefore, brothers, **since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place** by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having **our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.**

Rom 5:8-11 KJV But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. 10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. 11 And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

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