

WELLSPRING

W O R S H I P C E N T E R

Hebrews -- 6 "Jesus, the Final Sacrifice" 08/06/2023 Questions

1. Have you ever found the Old Testament passages regarding sacrificing animals and being sprinkled with blood hard to read?
2. Have churches you attended in the past teach this as the reason for the blood of sacrifices: "The blood is required because Father God must vent His wrath against sin. Father God is so holy and humans are so sinful that His wrath needs to be appeased"? If Jesus came to reveal the Father to us, do we ever see Jesus revealing this aspect of the Father?
3. If Jesus is the exact representation of God (Hebrews 1:3) and the fullness of God (Colossians 2:9), how should we interpret Old Testament passages seemingly talking God that are not also found in Jesus?
4. Have you been tempted to see God in the Old Testament as a God of judgment but a God of love in the New Testament?
5. What did you think of this statement: "If God's justice must always be satisfied, does God ever really forgive?"
6. In the statement. "Just because God regulates something in the Bible does not mean He approves of it," what are some things He regulates in the law that we know are not His perfect will?
7. Do you agree that God "accommodated" Israel's request for a human king? What about the request to build Him a temple?
8. Had it ever occurred to you that the Old Testament sacrificial system could also have been "an accommodation" from God?
9. When looking at ancient religions around the world, why do you think it was a universal phenomenon that humans felt the need to appease the gods through sacrifice?
10. From Samuel (1100BC) to David (1050BC) to Isaiah (740BC) to Micah (680BC), what kind of progression do we see regarding their understanding of animal sacrifices?