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GOD'S INVITATION TO DRAW NEAR

Combatting Sin

Leviticus 5:14-6:7

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Husbands, in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with a weaker partner, showing them honor as coheirs of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

l Peter 3:7 CSB

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A sin is committed. The sin remains hidden. God acts to bring attention to the sin. The offender confesses their sin. Repayment is made plus an additional 20% fine. A perfect ram is brought to Yahweh. The ram is slaughtered to make atonement. God's forgiveness is secured.

"If someone sins and without knowing it violates any of the LORD's commands concerning anything prohibited, he is guilty, and he will bear his iniquity."

Leviticus 5:17 CSB

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my concerns. See if there is any offensive way in me; lead me in the everlasting way.

Psalm 139:23–24 CSB

"Nevertheless, I am telling you the truth. It is for your benefit that I go away, because if I don't go away the Counselor will not come to you. If I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will convict the world about sin, righteousness, and judgment:"

John 16:7–8 CSB

"He will make full restitution for it and add a fifth of its value to it. He is to pay it to its owner on the day he acknowledges his guilt. Then he is to bring his guilt offering to the LORD: an unblemished ram from the flock according to your assessment of its value as a guilt offering to the priest."

Leviticus 6:5–6 CSB

"So if you are offering your gift on the altar, and there you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled with your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift."

Matthew 5:23–24 CSB

Yet the LORD was pleased to crush him severely. When you make him a guilt offering, he will see his seed, he will prolong his days, and by his hand, the LORD's pleasure will be accomplished.

Isaiah 53:10 CSB

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