

Sacrifices

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Introduction

1. 1 Peter 2:5, 9
2. The priest under the Old Testament had to offer up sacrifices; Christians have a job of offering up sacrifices, no one can do that for us.
3. Under the Old Testament the priest knew what to sacrifice and when to do it. Do we know what to sacrifice and when to do it?
4. What is a sacrifice?
 1. It is simply a gift to God
 2. We use the word sacrifice in many ways, sacrifice fly
5. It is good to study our Bibles and see what we are to sacrifice and when we are to offer that sacrifice.

II Discussion

1. Our bodies as living sacrifices Romans 12:1-2
 1. This is a daily sacrifice
 2. We are to present ourselves to God at baptism Romans 6:13 NKJV
 3. We are to present ourselves as the church to God Ephesians 5:27
 4. We are to present ourselves to Christ Colossians 1:28; Galatians 2:20; Matthew 22:37
 5. It must be acceptable to God Malachi 1:8
2. We are to offer ourselves for others Philippians 2:17
 1. Paul was willing to give himself up so that their religion might be established verses 15-18
 2. Are we willing to give ourselves for someone else Romans 5:7; 9:3; 1 John 3:16
 3. Are we willing to die for Christ but not attend the services where we are to reverence Him?
3. We are to offer our material goods Philippians 4:16-18; Hebrews 13:16
 1. Look at what God has sacrifice for us John 3:16; Romans 6:23
 2. What do we give back to God? Malachi 1:7-14
 3. This must be done correctly 2 Corinthians 8:5; 9:6-7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2
4. We are to offer our worship Hebrews 13:15
 1. We are to praise Him with our lips at all times Matthew 10:32-33; James 3:9-12
 2. We are to sing praises unto Him Ephesians 5:19; James 5:13
 3. This can be done at any time 1 Thessalonians 5:17

III Conclusion

1. We have accepted God's grace and mercy, now we need to give God something in return
2. This is not meritorious works but it is lovingly given back to God Titus 3:5
3. Are you willing to give back to God?
4. Now is the time to start!

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