

Sefer Vayikra / from Sinai to Sanctuary to Society/ shiur #3

The korban "chatat" – 'atonement' or 'cleansing'

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INTRODUCTION

Chapters 4 & 5 in Vayikra discuss the "chatat" (and "asham") - and they are commonly referred to as 'sin offerings'- But is it possible that a chatat might be offered for a reason other than sin? In today's class, we explore this topic.

I. Review SEFER VAYIKRA - BASIC OUTLINE & Flow of Topic

I. Korbanot

1->3 - Voluntary offerings ["nedava"]

4->5 - Mandatory offerings ["chova"]

6->7 - How to bring the offerings ["torot" - for the kohanim]

II. The story of the dedication of the Mishkan /

8 ->10 The 7 days of the 'miluim' / 8th day / & Tragedy

III. When man 'cannot' come close to God [temporarily]

11-15 "tumah" / How you contract it & how to get rid of it

16 - Entering the Holy of Holies - When/ How / Who

17 - Respect for the Temple

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IV. "kedusha" in the realm of 'people'

18->20 - Act according to your holiness / do's & don'ts

21->22 - Special laws for the "kohanim"

V. "kedusha" in the realm of time

23 - The "moadim" - holidays/ when Am Yisrael meets God

24 - daily & weekly symbols / + special story

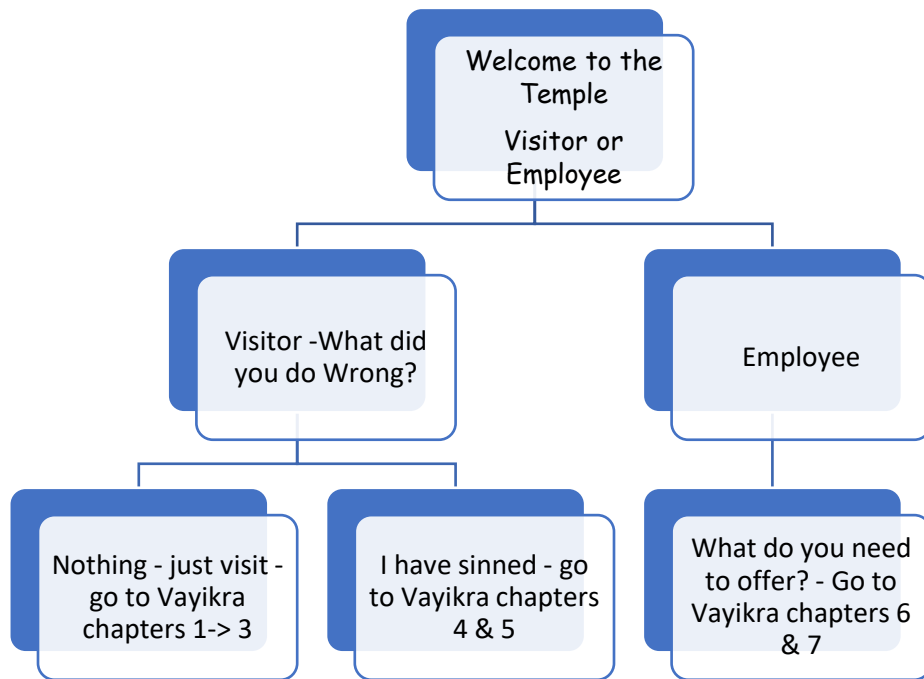
VI. "kedusha" in the realm of space

25- "shmitta" & the Land of Israel

26 - Blessings & Curses - on the Covenant

VII. 27 - Epilogue - Man offering 'himself' to God ["erchin"]

II. Vayikra chapters 1 thru 7 - 'Menu driven'



What makes chapters 1 thru 3 a distinct unit?

One "dibur" - & one 'header'

All 'voluntary' & all "reyach nichoach"

Similar structure in the presentation

Note how it is also the 'opening' section of the book

What makes chapters 4 thru 5 a distinct unit?

multiple "dibur"s - but similar style :

case / personal status /animal'

All 'obligatory' & all mention "kapara" - except the first one!

Similar structure in the presentation

All begin with "s'micha" / shchita - same place as Olah

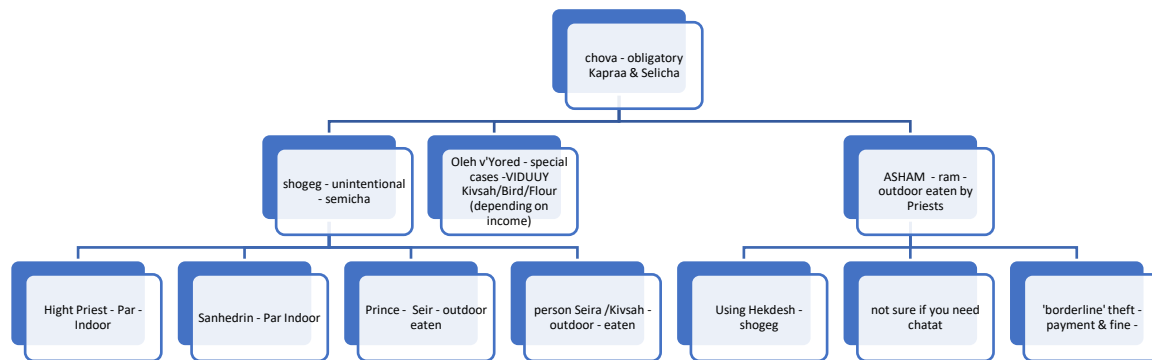
Cheylev on altar - just like the Shlamim

Left over blood poured onto the 'yesod haMizbeyach"

Flow chart of chapters 4 & 5

Note what ties all of these cases together

But also what makes each 'parshia' unique



Note how in each, the blood sprinkling is 'like the OLAH'

The fat on the altar - is like the SHLAMIM

Chapter 4 emphasizes "semmicha"

5:1-13 - VIDUUY

5:14-26 - returning what was taken

Discuss, what might be the meaning of ASHAM

SHOGEG - not aware of what I was doing

(if I was aware, I would not have done it)

ASHAM - not aware that I was doing anything wrong

(afterward, I realized that what I did was wrong)

III. The korbanot at the covenant at Sinai – Shmot 24

ג וַיָּבֹא מֹשֶׁה, וַיְסַפֵּר לָעָם אֶת כָּל-דִּבְרֵי יְהוָה, וְאֵת, כָּל-הַמִּשְׁפָּטִים; וַיַּעַן כָּל-הָעָם קוֹל אֶחָד, וַיֹּאמְרוּ, כָּל-הַדְּבָרִים אֲשֶׁר-דִּבֶּר יְהוָה, נַעֲשֶׂה.

3 And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice, and said: 'All the words which the LORD hath spoken will we do.'

ד וַיִּכְתֹּב מֹשֶׁה, אֶת כָּל-דִּבְרֵי יְהוָה, וַיִּשְׁכֵּם בַּבֹּקֶר, וַיְבִן מִזְבֵּחַ תַּחַת הָהָר; וּשְׁתֵּים עָשָׂר מִצֵּבָה, לְשִׁנִּים עָשָׂר שְׁבִטֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל.

4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the mount, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

ה וַיִּשְׁלַח, אֶת-נְעָרֵי בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל, וַיַּעֲלוּ, **עֹלֹת; וַיִּזְבְּחוּ זִבְחִים שְׁלָמִים, לַיהוָה--פָּרִים.**

5 And he sent the young men of the children of Israel, who offered burnt-offerings, and sacrificed peace-offerings of oxen unto the LORD.

ו וַיִּקַּח מֹשֶׁה חֲצִי הַדָּם, וַיִּשֶׂם בְּאֵגָנוֹת; וְחֲצִי הַדָּם, זָרַק עַל-הַמִּזְבֵּחַ.

6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basins; and half of the blood he dashed against the altar.

ז וַיִּקַּח סֵפֶר הַבְּרִית, וַיִּקְרָא בְּאָזְנֵי הָעָם; וַיֹּאמְרוּ, כָּל אֲשֶׁר-דִּבֶּר יְהוָה נַעֲשֶׂה וְנִשְׁמָע.

7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the hearing of the people; and they said: 'All that the LORD hath spoken will we do, and obey.'

ח וַיִּקַּח מֹשֶׁה אֶת-הַדָּם, וַיִּזְרֹק עַל-הָעָם; וַיֹּאמֶר, הִנֵּה דָם-הַבְּרִית אֲשֶׁר כָּרַת יְהוָה עִמָּכֶם, עַל כָּל-הַדְּבָרִים, הָאֵלֶּה.

8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said: 'Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you in agreement with all these words.'

Review how & why a visit to the Temple should remind the visitor of this key event in our national history, and how it reminds us of our covenantal commitment.

IV. The first mention of a "chatat" offering

Shmot chapter 29 – during the '7 day miluim'

Which dedicated the "kohanim" to officiate

א וְזֶה הַדָּבָר אֲשֶׁר-תַּעֲשֶׂה לָהֶם, לְקַדֵּשׁ אֹתָם--לְכַהֵן

לִי: לֶקַח פֶּר אֶחָד בֶּן-בָּקָר, וְאֵילִם שְׁנַיִם--תְּמִימִם.

1 And this is the thing that thou shalt do unto them to hallow them, to minister unto Me in the priest's office: take one young bullock and two rams without blemish,

ב וְלֶחֶם מִצּוֹת, וְחֻלֹּת מִצַּת בָּלוּלַת בֶּשֶׂמֶן, וְרִקְיֵי מִצּוֹת, מִשְׁחִים בֶּשֶׂמֶן; סִלַּת חֲטִיִּים, תַּעֲשֶׂה אֹתָם.

2 and unleavened bread, and cakes unleavened mingled with oil, and wafers unleavened spread with oil; of fine wheaten flour shalt thou make them.

ג וְנָתַתָּ אוֹתָם עַל-סֵל אֶחָד, וְהִקְרַבְתָּ אֹתָם בֶּסֶל; וְאֶת-הַפֶּר--וְאֵת, שְׁנֵי הָאֵילִם.

3 And thou shalt put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bullock and the two rams.

ד וְאֶת-אֶהֱרֹן וְאֶת-בָּנָיו תִּקְרִיב, אֶל-פֶּתַח אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד; וְרַחֲצָתָ אֹתָם, בַּמַּיִם.

4 And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the tent of meeting, and shalt wash them with water.

ה וְלָקַחְתָּ אֶת-הַבְּגָדִים, וְהַלְבַּשְׁתָּ אֶת-אֶהֱרֹן אֶת-הַכֹּהֲנֶת, וְאֵת מַעֵיל הָאֵפֹד, וְאֶת-הָאֵפֹד וְאֶת-הַחֹשֶׁן; וְאָפַדְתָּ לוֹ, בַּחֹשֶׁב הָאֵפֹד.

5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron the tunic, and the robe of the ephod, and the ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with the skilfully woven band of the ephod.

ו וְשָׂמַתָּ הַמִּצְנֶפֶת, עַל-רֹאשׁוֹ; וְנָתַתָּ אֶת-גִּזְרֵי הַקֹּדֶשׁ, עַל-הַמִּצְנֶפֶת.

6 And thou shalt set the mitre upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the mitre.

ז וְלָקַחְתָּ אֶת-שֶׁמֶן הַמִּשְׁחָה, וַיִּצְקֶתָ עַל-רֹאשׁוֹ; וּמִשַּׁחְתָּ, אֹתוֹ.

7 Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him.

ח וְאֶת-בָּנָיו, תִּקְרִיב; וְהַלְבַּשְׁתָּם, כִּתְנֵת.

8 And thou shalt bring his sons, and put tunics upon them.

ט וְחִגַּרְתָּ אֹתָם אֲבִגֵּט אֶהֱרֹן וּבָנָיו, וְחִבַּשְׁתָּ לָהֶם מִגְבָּעוֹת, וְהִיָּתָה לָהֶם כְּהֻנָּה, לְחֻקַּת עוֹלָם; וּמִלֹּאֶת יַד-אֶהֱרֹן, וְיַד-בָּנָיו.

9 And thou shalt gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and bind head-tires on them; and they shall have the priesthood by a perpetual statute; and thou shalt consecrate Aaron and his sons.

י וְהִקְרַבְתָּ, אֶת-הַפֶּר, לִפְנֵי, אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד; וְסָמְדוּ אֶהֱרֹן וּבָנָיו אֶת-יְדֵיהֶם, עַל-רֹאשׁ הַפֶּר.

10 And thou shalt bring the bullock before the tent of meeting; and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock.

יא וְשַׁחֲטָתָ אֶת-הַפֶּר, לִפְנֵי יְהוָה, פֶּתַח, אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד.

11 And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, at the door of the tent of meeting.

יב וְלָקַחְתָּ מִדַּם הַפֶּר, וְנָתַתָּה עַל-קִרְנֵת הַמִּזְבֵּחַ בְּאֶצְבָּעְךָ; וְאֶת-כָּל-הַדָּם תִּשְׁפֹּךְ, אֶל-יְסוֹד הַמִּזְבֵּחַ.

12 And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put it upon the horns of the altar with thy finger; and thou shalt pour out all the remaining blood at the base of the altar.

יג וְלָקַחְתָּ, אֶת-כָּל-הַחֵלֶב הַמְכֻסָּה אֶת-הַקֶּרֶב, וְאֵת הַיִּתְרֹת עַל-הַכִּבְדָּ, וְאֵת שְׁתֵּי הַכְּלִיֹּת וְאֶת-הַחֵלֶב אֲשֶׁר עֲלֵיהֶן; וְהִקְטַרְתָּ, הַמִּזְבֵּחַ.

13 And thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and the lobe above the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, and make them smoke upon the altar.

יד וְאֶת־בֶּשֶׂר הַפָּר, וְאֶת־עֲרוֹ וְאֶת־פְּרָשׁוֹ, תִּשְׂרֹף בָּאֵשׁ,

14 But the flesh of the bullock, and its skin, and its dung, shalt thou burn with fire without the camp: it is a sin-offering.

מִחוּץ לַמַּחֲנֶה: חֲטָאת, הוּא.

טו וְאֶת־הָאֵיל הָאֶחָד, תִּקַּח; וְסָמְכוּ אֹהֶלֶן וּבָנָיו, אֶת־יְדֵיהֶם--עַל־רֹאשׁ הָאֵיל.

15 Thou shalt also take the one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands upon the head of the ram.

טז וְשַׁחֲטָהּ, אֶת־הָאֵיל; וְלָקַחְתָּ, אֶת־דָּמּוֹ, וְזָרַקְתָּ עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ, סָבִיב.

16 And thou shalt slay the ram, and thou shalt take its blood, and dash it round about against the altar.

יז וְאֶת־הָאֵיל--תִּנְתַּח, לַנִּתְחִיו; וְרַחֲצֶתָ קִרְבּוֹ וּכְרָעָיו, וְנִתַּח עַל־נִתְחָיו וְעַל־רֹאשׁוֹ.

17 And thou shalt cut the ram into its pieces, and wash its inwards, and its legs, and put them with its pieces, and with its head.

יח וְהִקְטַרְתָּ אֶת־כָּל־הָאֵיל הַמִּזְבֵּחַ, עֹלָה הוּא לַיהוָה ; רִיחַ גִּיחוּחַ, אֲשֶׁה לַיהוָה הוּא.

18 And thou shalt make the whole ram smoke upon the altar; it is a burnt-offering unto the LORD; it is a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

יט וְלָקַחְתָּ, אֶת־הָאֵיל הַשֵּׁנִי; וְסָמְךָ אֹהֶלֶן וּבָנָיו אֶת־יְדֵיהֶם, עַל־רֹאשׁ הָאֵיל.

19 And thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands upon the head of the ram.

לה וְעָשִׂיתָ לְאַהֲרֹן וּלְבָנָיו, כָּכָה, כָּל־אֲשֶׁר־צִוִּיתִי, אֶתְּכָה; שִׁבְעַת יָמִים, תִּמְלֵא יָדָם.

35 And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all that I have commanded thee; seven days shalt thou consecrate them.

לו וּפַר חֲטָאת תַּעֲשֶׂה לַיּוֹם, עַל־הַכִּפָּרִים, וְחֲטָאתָ עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ, בְּכַפָּרְךָ עָלָיו; וּמִשְׁחָתָ אֹתוֹ, לְקַדְּשׁוֹ.

36 And every day shalt thou offer the bullock of sin-offering, beside the other offerings of atonement; and thou shalt do the purification upon the altar when thou makest atonement for it; and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctify it.

VI, Was the 7 day Miluim commanded BEFORE or AFTER chet ha'Egel?

Rashi Shmot 29:1

לכפר על מעשה העגל שהוא פר - פר אחד

Bchor Shor

לקח פר אחד בן בקר ואילים שנים - הפר חטאת, כדי שיבאו נקיים וזכאין לפני הקב"ה. והאיל אחד לעולה... ואחר כך האיל השני שלמים, שהוא דרך שלום וקירוב דעת, שממנו: למזבח האמורין, וחזה ושוק לכהן, ושאר הבשר לבעלים, ונראה כאוכלין ביחד, וזהו דרך שלום וקירוב הדעת.

See Vayikra chapters 8 & 9 - (topic for next week)