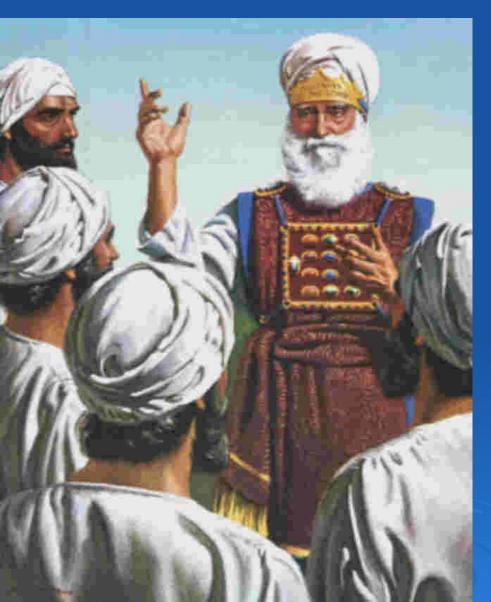
### LEVITICUS CHAPTER 9



The ordination rituals are repeated each day for 7 days

Moses continues to officiate until Aaron and his sons are fully purified and consecrated

## MOSES THE MEDIATOR

- Stands between God and Israel <u>AND</u> God and the Priesthood
- Moses spoke in Yehoveh's authority
- Often acted on direct and specific orders from God
- Usually acted on his own judgment, based on Yehoveh's principles

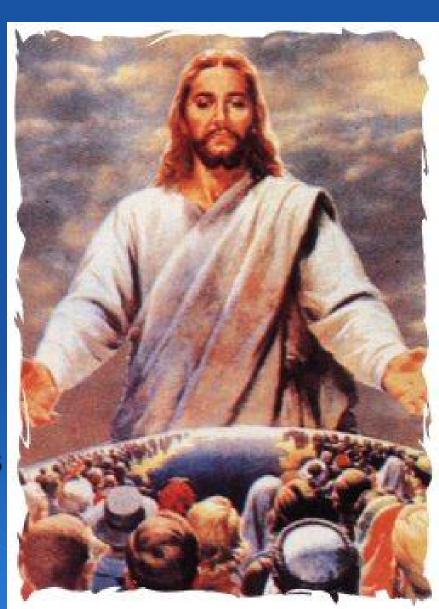


### YESHUA THE MEDIATOR

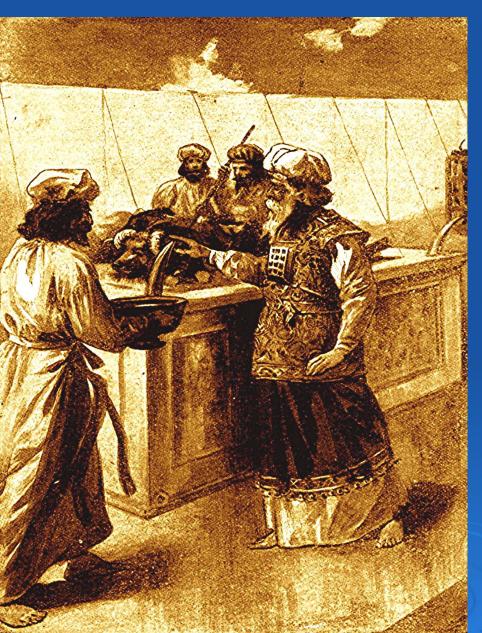
- Only other person in Scripture to match and exceed Moses' authority was Yeshua
- > GOD-PRINCIPLE:

At times Yehoveh will show us His specific will...

Usually He allows us to use our own judgment based on His Laws and Commands (TORAH!)



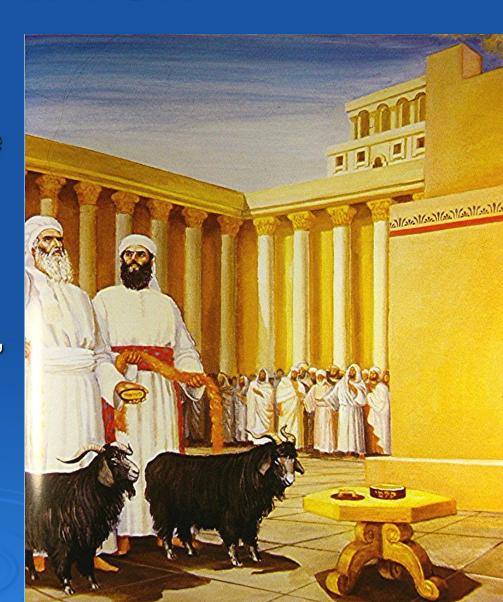
## "....on the 8th day...."



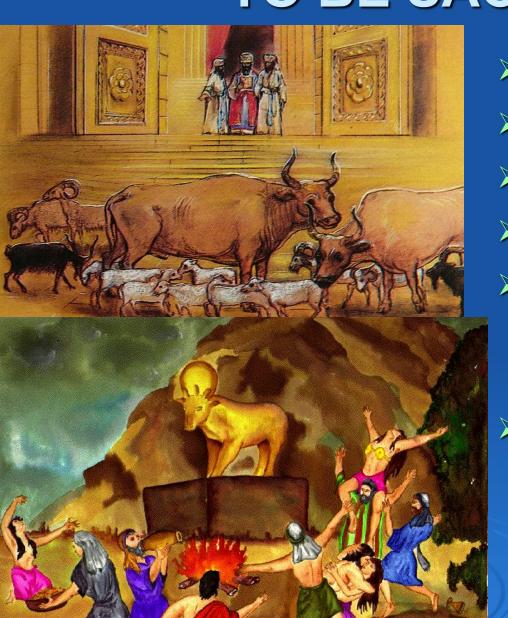
- Aaron and his sons now take over the sacrificial duties
- Moses no longer will oversee the Tabernacle and Priesthood
- Every type of sacrifice is offered EXCEPT for the 'Asham Offering (Reparation Offering)
- Only <u>after</u> the priesthood is consecrated does the Lord light the Altar fire

## INAUGURAL RITUALS SIMILAR TO YOM KIPPUR

- Yom Kippur = Day of Atonement
- Yom Kippur involved use of Scapegoat
- Scapegoat replaced by Zevah Offering in inaugural rituals
- Often "whole community" meant only the Elders
- Likely in vs.1 was referring to the Chief Elders



## Vs. 2 "....a calf..." TO BE SACRIFICED



- > Word in vs. 2 is "egel"
- Means male calf
- Young bull = 1 yr.old
- > Mature bull = 3 yrs.
- Usually word for sacrificial bull is <u>"ben</u> par"
- Golden Calf is a Golden "egel"

# "Today, Yehoveh will appear to you....."



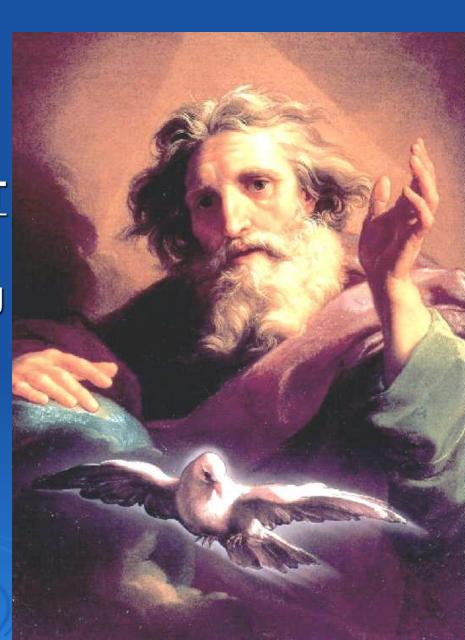
### BELIEVERS ARE HIS TABERNACLE

Morality, charity, good behavior.....

A GOOD PERSON

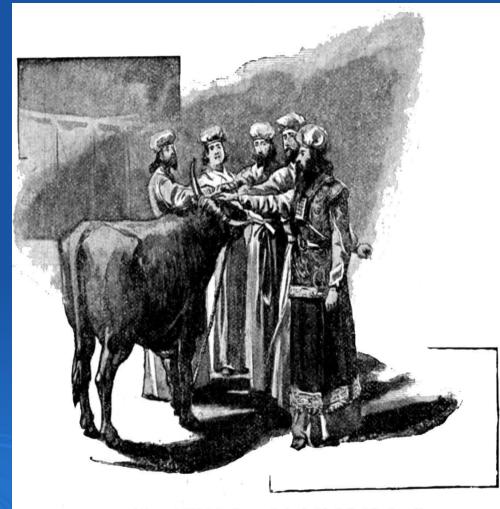
Without the HOLY SPIRIT we are an empty tent

- Vs. 7 Moses turns conducting of ritual over to Aaron
- FIRST offerings are on behalf of himself and his sons
- NEXT offerings are on behalf of Israel



# GOD CLASSIFIES SINS ACCORDING TO THEIR *DANGER*

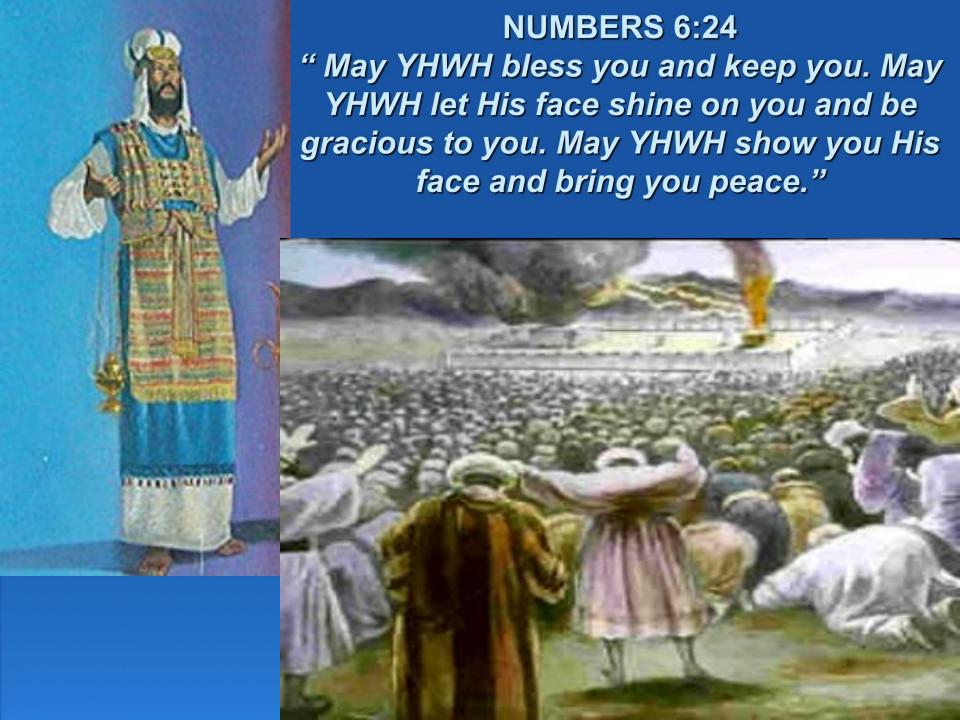
- Mature bull was offered for the most DANGEROUS sins
- Purpose is not for us to compare sins
- Sin is multi-faceted and contagious



# "All have sinned and come short of the Glory of God....."

- Paul was speaking of the SIN NATURE and it's consequences
- 'Olah and Minchah deal with man's sin nature
- > NATURE vs. BEHAVIOR
- Sin classification remains in effect
- BUT....Christ's blood pays for it all!

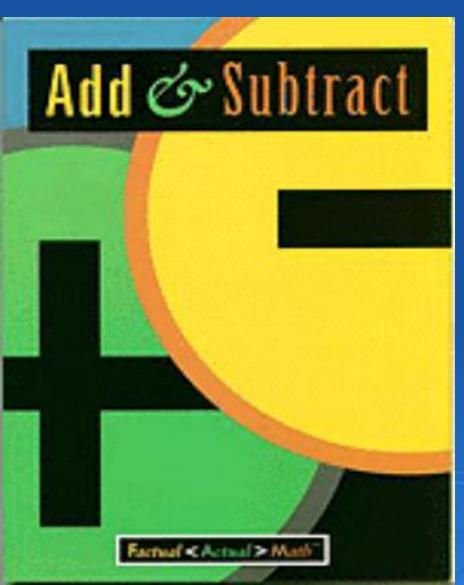




## LEVITICUS 10 NADAV AND AVIHU



### **LEVITICUS: THE WIDER VIEW**



- Long lists of detailed rituals
- Associated with matters of SIN and HOLINESS
- To understand, we must first grasp new rules, concepts, principles
- Yehoveh is a God of many contrasts
- Church prefers a "warm and fuzzy" view of God
- Church motto:

GOD WILL ALWAYS
FORGIVE US. THAT'S HIS
JOB.

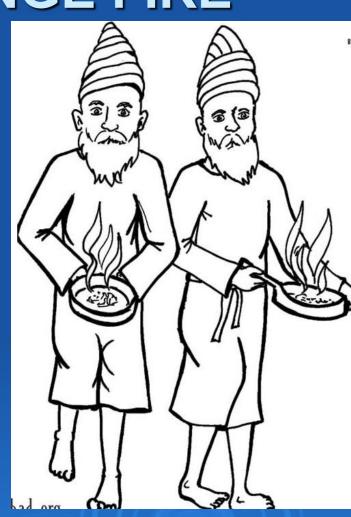
## WE'RE NOT TO FOCUS ON SIN



- Desire to avoid God's wrath led to morbid introspection in the Middle Ages
- Yet, in our day, the Church now teaches that Believers have nothing to fear from God

## Vs. 1: NADAV AND AVIHU OFFERRED "STRANGE FIRE"

- Fire pan = censor
- Incense was put on the hot coals taken from the Brazen Altar
- Their offering was NOT God ordained
- Ananias and Sapphira in the NT committed a similar offense and they died as well



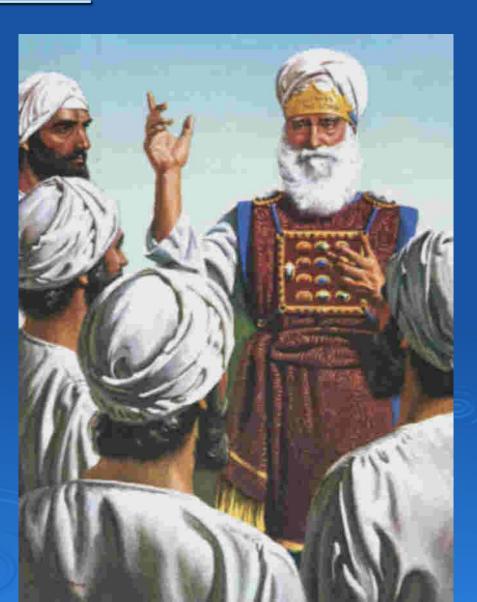
# YHWH KILLS NADAV AND AVIHU WITH FIRE



- > Esh = hot coals
- Esh zarah usually translated as "strange fire"
- Better: "an alien incense offering by fire"
- Sifra: a commentary on Leviticus

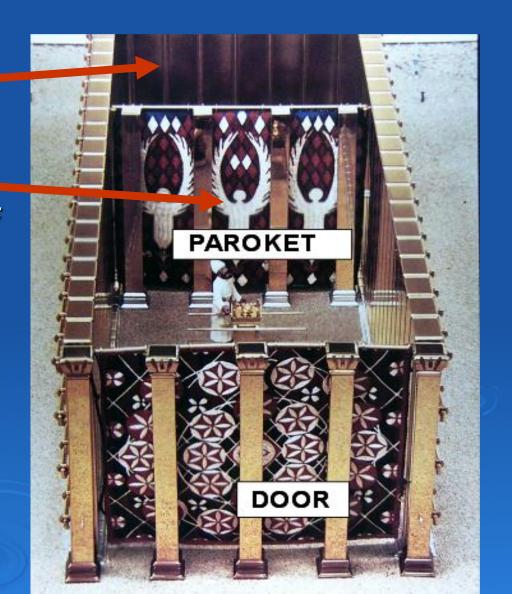
# AS PRIESTS, NADAV AND AVIHU WERE "NEAR to God"

- > KIRVAH = near
- Near can speak of an association or of the proximity
- Those "near-to-God" held to a higher standard
- The closer one is to Yehoveh, the greater his responsibility
- DANGER of polluting God's holiness

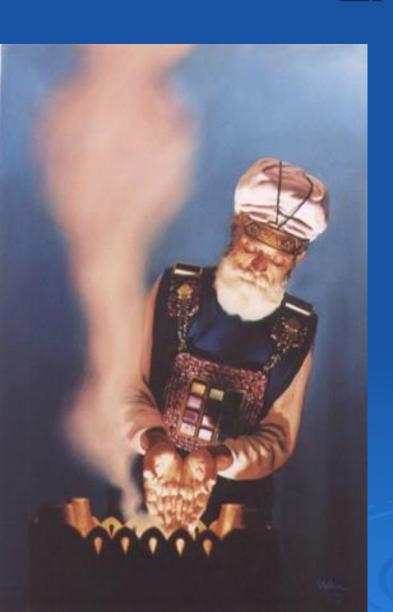


### WHAT WAS THEIR OFFENSE?

- Sanctuary divided into 2 rooms:
- Holy of Holies (Most Holy Place)
- The Holy Place
- Possibly entered Holy of Holies
- Lev.16:1 "....after the death of the two sons.....do not come whenever he chooses into the Most Holy Place....."



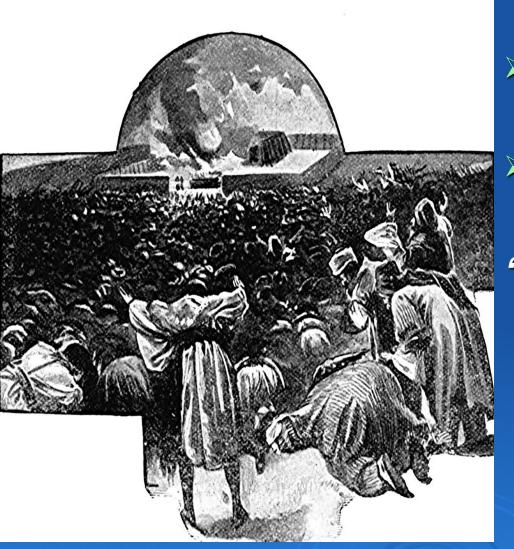
# MAY HAVE VIOLATED EX. 30 VS.9



- > EX. 30:8,9
- "....you shall not offer strange incense on this altar...."
- > GOD PRINCIPLE:

Being "near to God" brings greater responsibility AND consequences

# ALL ISRAEL VIEWS YEHOVEH'S JUDGMENT ON AARON'S SONS



- Aaron in his horror must have wondered WHY?!
- Moses tells Aaron:

Lev.10:3

"....I <u>WILL</u> be treated as holy.....I <u>WILL</u> be honored...."