

The Sin Offering - Leviticus 4:1-5:13

Topics: Community, Disobedience, Guilt, Law, Leadership, Sin

Open It

1. What are ways the media takes advantage of public figures?
- * 2. What makes juicy gossip almost irresistible?

Explore It

3. What did the Lord tell Moses to say to the Israelites? (4:1-2)
4. What happened if an anointed priest sinned? (4:3-4)
5. Where was the priest to take the blood of the slaughtered bull? (4:5-6)
6. How was the priest to carry out the remainder of the offering? (4:7-10)
7. What was done with all the rest of the bull? (4:11-12)
- * 8. Who was responsible if the whole Israelite community sinned unintentionally? (4:13-14)
9. How was the sin offering for the community carried out? (4:15-21)
- * 10. What happened when a leader sinned unintentionally? (4:22-26)
11. What was the process for a member of the community who sinned unintentionally? (4:27-35)
12. Who is held responsible for not speaking up when hearing a public charge? (5:1)
13. What is considered ceremonially unclean? (5:2-3)
14. What happens when people make careless oaths? (5:4)
- * 15. What must a person do when he or she discovers that he or she has sinned? (5:5-6)
16. How was a person to present an offering if he or she could not afford a lamb? (5:7-10)
17. What happened if a person could not afford two doves for an offering? (5:11)
18. How could a priest make atonement for a poor person's sins? (5:12-13)

Get It

19. How does this passage show how the people of Israel were responsible for one another?
- * 20. How are we alone responsible for the sins we commit?
21. What does today's church need to learn about being a confessing community?
22. Why do unbelievers call Christians hypocrites?
- * 23. If we admitted our sins more regularly, how might we be a different people for God?
24. How did God provide forgiveness for the people of Israel?
25. What are the implications in this passage for Christian leaders regarding confession of sin?
26. How can we create an atmosphere of acceptance and forgiveness in our churches?

Apply It

- * 27. How can a humble confession of sin bring you closer to God today?
28. What can you do this week to share with someone the forgiveness you have received in Christ?