

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1128: Is Obedience More Important Than Sacrifice?

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See:  CQ Rewind
SHOW NOTES

1. How is the Jewish idea of sacrificing in the Old Testament different from the pagan idea of sacrifice? What were the sacrifices to represent? (See Leviticus 1:2 and CQ Rewind Show Notes)
2. Why were the prophet Samuel (and the Lord!) angry at King Saul for bringing back King Agag and the choicest of the things of the Amalekites to sacrifice to the Lord? Why was this not an act of faith? (See 1 Samuel 15:12-15,18-23)
3. When we have grossly sinned (truly moved away from God) what is the ONLY course of action to bring us right with God again? (See Psalms 51:10-12;15-17) How did David exemplify this and what steps did he take to achieve righteousness before the Lord? (See Psalms 51) What was the difference between Saul and David in their attitudes and in their hearts?
4. What is the difference between repentance and regret? (See CQ Rewind Show Notes for this episode and for *Episode 1082: How Do I Live a Life of Repentance* which has graphics on the repentance process.)
5. What is the foundation of our forgiveness, even when we commit terrible sins? (See Psalms 119:40, 112, 40:7)
6. In what ways might we be guilty (like Israel) of repeated offerings to God (Israel observed feast days and sabbaths) that are no longer meaningful because our lives do not show obedience? (See Isaiah 1:13-17; CQ Rewind Show Notes for *Episode 1127: What Does the Sabbath Look Like for Christians?*)
7. How did the Pharisees use sacrifice as a tool to condemn others? (See Matthew 12:1-7) How does condescension condemn the heart of the one who is condemning? (See Matthew 9:10-13) Are we guilty of feeling superior to others because of our knowledge of God's plan? What course of action should we take?
8. What is the relationship of obedience and sacrifice? What do we need to do to get right before God? (See Micah 6:6-8; Psalms 40:6-10) What is an appropriate sacrifice that we should offer up to God frequently? (See Hebrews 13:15-16)
9. How can we protect ourselves from the degradation of society's immorality? (See Philippians 2:14-15; Psalms 40:8-10)
10. **OBEDIENCE IS A PROCESS** - go back through the CQ Rewind Show Notes and list the steps in this process for a summation blessing!