



Children's Material

Age 4- 9 years old

Lesson 2

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OFFERING THE SACRIFICES

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These Children's Materials are inspired by the book Leviticus. For the book to be accessible to children, concepts from the book are given "handles" through the telling of bible stories. The intention is to have both adults and children study similar bible materials at the same time to encourage the unity of families in Christ. These suggested materials are therefore meant to facilitate the children's programme of inter-generational small groups.

You can use these Children's Materials to plan a children's programme of 45-60 mins (excluding worship, prayer, free play etc). The basic components are as follows and all or part of each component may be used in

Activities / Games

Bible Story / Stories

Craft Work

The suggestion is for parents to tell bible stories using materials or toys from home e.g. lego men figurines and/or puppets to represent bible characters etc. Play dough may also be creatively used from lesson to lesson to illustrate the bible stories.

It is essential that all parents pray and prepare before the "lesson" proper. In addition to studying the bible and specific references, the source book – Leviticus A 12-week study – should also be read. Indeed, the "lesson" is only the beginning and it is our heart's desire that you continue to walk with your children over these materials well *after* the "lesson". Amen.

SUMMARY

What – offering and sacrifices

Why – so that holy God can live in the midst of unholy people

GOALS FOR EACH CHILD

1. Become aware that we are all sinners (do wrong things and don't obey God)
2. Understand that God loves sinners and has sent Jesus to be our perfect sacrifice
3. Prayer – We will understand what Jesus has done for us on the cross
4. Prayer – We will obey God and give God our best

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A. Activities / Games

A1. Sharing of wrongdoings (5-10 minutes)

This sharing session can be carried out in smaller groups of 3-5 children of varying ages with an adult facilitator. The facilitator can start the sharing with his or her wrongdoing like losing of temper, being impatient, being rude etc. Everyone does wrong things and disobeys God. Such action is sin.

Encourage the children to share their wrongdoing. Assure the children that it is a safe, loving and forgiving environment to share. After each child's sharing, affirm the child with God's love and our love.

A2. Dramatization of the steps to obtain forgiveness so as to have fellowship with God, in the time of Leviticus (5-10 minutes)

Materials Needed

- goat or sheep soft toy
- plastic container that is big enough for the soft toy (can use rubbish bin)
- a piece of bread
- A cross representing the altar of God

After the Israelites left Egypt, they sinned against God by grumbling and complaining about many things. Sin results in death. God then gave them instructions to follow so that He who is holy can live among unholy people. Holy means doing the right thing and not sinning, doing what God wants us to do.

Drama

- The sinful person chooses a healthy animal without spot or flaw. God wants a perfect animal as sacrifice.
- The person then lays hands on the head of the animal and prays. This represents the transferring of sins from man to animal.
- The person then uses his hands as knife to kill the animal.
- The animal is put into the plastic container (which represents the altar of burnt offering) and burnt.
- The animal has paid the price for the sins of the man by dying in his place.
- The person takes the piece of bread and prays, giving thanks to God for the forgiveness of sins.
- He breaks the bread into half, leaving half at the cross (which represents the altar of God) and eating the other half. This symbolizes the restored fellowship with God.

B. Bible Story

(Cf. Source Book – Pages 11-17)

Use the children's personal bible books to share the Bible Story. In the time of Leviticus, God told the Israelites the things that they have to do to receive forgiveness of their sins and have fellowship with Him. They had to give God offerings and sacrifices. But when Jesus came, Jesus became our sacrifice as He died on the cross.

Jesus as the perfect sacrifice once and for all (Hebrews 10:8-14) ICB

Verse	Suggested Emphasis	4-5yo	6-7yo	8-9yo
8	In this Scripture he first said, "You do not want sacrifices and offerings. You do not ask for burnt offerings and offerings to take away sins." (These are all sacrifices that the law commands.)			♥
9	Then he said, "Here I am. I have come to do what you want." So God ends the first system of sacrifices so that he can set up the new system.		♥	♥

10	Jesus Christ did what God wanted him to do. And because of this, we are made holy through the sacrifice of his body. Christ made this sacrifice only once, and for all time.	♥	♥	♥
11	Every day the priests stand and do their religious service. Again and again they offer the same sacrifices. But those sacrifices can never take away sins.	♥	♥	♥
12	But Christ offered one sacrifice for sins, and it is good forever. Then he sat down at the right side of God.	♥	♥	♥
13	And now Christ waits there for his enemies to be put under his power.			♥
14	With one sacrifice he made perfect forever those who are being made holy.	♥	♥	♥

Memory Verse

With one sacrifice He made perfect forever those who are being made holy. Hebrews 10:14

C. Craft**C1. Seeking God for forgiveness of our sins at His altar (4-9yo)****Materials Needed**

- Cross to represent the altar of God
- White or red colour sheets of paper (15 cm x 15 cm)
- Black markers

- ✓ Objective: To get the child to tell God his or her wrongdoing and receive forgiveness from God.
- ✓ Each child is given a sheet of paper and a marker.
- ✓ Ask him or her to write or draw his or her wrongdoing on the piece of paper (if paper is coloured on one side, write on white side)
- ✓ Show the child how to fold his or her paper into a heart with the written side facing up. (follow <https://www.origamiway.com/origami-heart.shtml> to fold the heart)
- ✓ Write the memory verse on each of the heart.
- ✓ Place the heart at the altar of God.
- ✓ Explain that as the child tells God his or her sin by writing or drawing it, God forgives his or her sin and gives his or her a new heart.
- ✓ Pray that each child will understand the need to tell God when he or she does wrong to seek His forgiveness.

Summary	Write or draw wrongdoing	Folding into a heart	Copy Memory Verse
4-5yo	Help please!	Help please!	Help please!
6-7yo	I can do it!	Help please! / I can do it!	I can do it!
8-9yo	I can do it!	I can do it!	I can do it!

C2. Giving God our best at His altar (4-9yo)**Materials Needed**

- Cross to represent the altar of God
- Get each child to bring his or her favorite object (a book, stickers, soft toy, food etc)

- ✓ Objective: For the child to understand that worshipping God means giving the best to God.
- ✓ When we worship God, we recognize God's goodness to us and His forgiveness of our sins. Therefore, we should give God our best.
- ✓ Ask each child to put his or her favourite object at the altar and say "I give it to You, God."
- ✓ Explain to the child that this symbolizes giving God this or her best as a form of worship.
- ✓ Pray that each child will obey God and worship Him with his or her best.

God Bless and Keep You. Thank YOU.

C3. Further explanation about sacrifices and offerings in Leviticus and fulfillment in Jesus (6-9yo) (Optional)

- ✓ To further explain the need of sacrifices and offerings in Leviticus and how Jesus came to be that perfect sacrifice.
- ✓ Play this video for the 6-9yo https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G_OIRWGLdnw

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS

- Explain sin and its origin. View this video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=laPMGIK6rPY>
- Explain the law of sin offering. View this video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zkpgurw2EXM>

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