

The Offering of Animal Sacrifices in the Millennial Temple According to Ezekiel 40-46

The Tables for Slaughtering the Sacrifices (Ezek 40:38-43)

A chamber with its doorway was by the side pillars at the gates; there **they rinse the burnt offering**. In the porch of the gate were two tables on each side, on which **to slaughter the burnt offering, the sin offering and the guilt offering**. On the outer side, as one went up to the gateway toward the north, were two tables; and on the other side of the porch of the gate were two tables. Four tables were on each side next to the gate; or, eight tables on which **they slaughter sacrifices**. For the burnt offering there were four tables of hewn stone, a cubit and a half long, a cubit and a half wide and one cubit high, on which they lay the instruments with which **they slaughter the burnt offering and the sacrifice**. The double hooks, one handbreadth in length, were installed in the house all around; and on the tables was the flesh of the offering.

The Priests Eat Portions of the Sacrifices (Ezek 42:13)

Then he said to me, "The north chambers and the south chambers, which are opposite the separate area, they are the holy chambers where **the priests who are near to the LORD shall eat the most holy things. There they shall lay the most holy things, the grain offering, the sin offering and the guilt offering**; for the place is holy.

The Statutes for Sacrificing (Ezek 43:18-27)

And He said to me, "Son of man, thus says the Lord GOD, '**These are the statutes for the altar on the day it is built, to offer burnt offerings on it and to sprinkle blood on it. 'You shall give to the Levitical priests** who are from the offspring of Zadok, who draw near to Me to minister to Me,' declares **the Lord GOD, 'a young bull for a sin offering. You shall take some of its blood** and put it on its four horns and on the four corners of the ledge and on the border round about; thus you shall cleanse it and make atonement for it. **You shall also take the bull for the sin offering, and it shall be burned in the appointed place** of the house, outside the sanctuary. **On the second day you shall offer a male goat** without blemish for a sin offering, and they shall cleanse the altar as they cleansed it with the bull. 'When you have finished cleansing it, **you shall present a young bull without blemish and a ram without blemish** from the flock. You shall present them before the LORD, and the priests shall throw salt on them, **and they shall offer them up as a burnt offering to the LORD. For seven days you shall prepare daily a goat for a sin offering; also a young bull and a ram from the flock, without blemish, shall be prepared. For seven days they shall make atonement for the altar and purify it**; so shall they consecrate it. When they have completed the days, it shall be that on the eighth day and onward, **the priests shall offer your burnt offerings on the altar, and your peace offerings**; and I will accept you,' declares the Lord GOD."

Offerings for Holy Days (Ezek 45:15-25; 46:1-7, 11-15, 19-20, 26-24)

"**All the people of the land shall give to this offering for the prince in Israel. It shall be the prince's part to provide the burnt offerings**, the grain offerings and the drink offerings, at the feasts, on the new moons and on the sabbaths, at all the appointed feasts of the house of Israel; **he shall provide the sin offering, the grain offering, the burnt offering and the peace offerings**, to make atonement for the house of Israel." Thus says the Lord GOD, "In the first month, on the first of the month, **you shall take a young bull without blemish and cleanse the sanctuary. The priest shall take some of the blood from the sin offering** and put it on the door posts of the house, on the four corners of the ledge of the altar and on the posts of the gate of the inner court. Thus you shall do on the seventh day of the month for everyone who goes astray or is naive; so you shall make atonement for the house. In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month, you shall have the Passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten. On that day **the prince shall provide for himself and all the people of the land a bull for a sin offering**. During the seven days of the feast **he shall provide as a burnt offering to the LORD seven bulls and seven rams without blemish on every day of the seven days, and a male goat daily for a sin offering**. He shall provide as a grain offering an ephah with a bull, an ephah with a ram and a

hin of oil with an ephah. In the seventh month, on the fifteenth day of the month, at the feast, **he shall provide like this, seven days for the sin offering, the burnt offering, the grain offering and the oil.**" (Ezek 45:15-25)

"Thus says the Lord GOD, "The gate of the inner court facing east shall be shut the six working days; but it shall be opened on the sabbath day and opened on the day of the new moon. The prince shall enter by way of the porch of the gate from outside and stand by the post of the gate. **Then the priests shall provide his burnt offering and his peace offerings**, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate and then go out; but the gate shall not be shut until the evening. The people of the land shall also worship at the doorway of that gate before the LORD on the sabbaths and on the new moons. **The burnt offering which the prince shall offer to the LORD on the sabbath day shall be six lambs without blemish and a ram without blemish**; and the grain offering shall be an ephah with the ram, and the grain offering with the lambs as much as he is able to give, and a hin of oil with an ephah. **On the day of the new moon he shall offer a young bull without blemish, also six lambs and a ram, which shall be without blemish.** And he shall provide a grain offering, an ephah with the bull and an ephah with the ram, and with the lambs as much as he is able, and a hin of oil with an ephah. (46:1-7)

"At the festivals and the appointed feasts **the grain offering shall be an ephah with a bull and an ephah with a ram, and with the lambs as much as one is able to give**, and a hin of oil with an ephah. **When the prince provides a freewill offering, a burnt offering, or peace offerings as a freewill offering to the LORD**, the gate facing east shall be opened for him. And **he shall provide his burnt offering and his peace offerings as he does on the sabbath day**. Then he shall go out, and the gate shall be shut after he goes out. And **you shall provide a lamb a year old without blemish for a burnt offering to the LORD daily**; morning by morning you shall provide it. Also you shall provide a grain offering with it morning by morning, a sixth of an ephah and a third of a hin of oil to moisten the fine flour, a grain offering to the LORD continually by a perpetual ordinance. **Thus they shall provide the lamb**, the grain offering and the oil, morning by morning, **for a continual burnt offering.**" (46:11-15)

Then he brought me through the entrance, which was at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers for the priests, which faced north; and behold, there was a place at the extreme rear toward the west. He said to me, **"This is the place where the priests shall boil the guilt offering and the sin offering** and where they shall bake the grain offering, in order that they may not bring them out into the outer court to transmit holiness to the people." (46:19-20)

There was a row of masonry round about in them, around the four of them, and boiling places were made under the rows round about. Then he said to me, **"These are the boiling places where the ministers of the house shall boil the sacrifices of the people.** (46:23-24)