Tabernacle Offerings

	Type of Offering	Scriptures	What was Offered?	Who Laid Hands	What Was Done With Offering?	Significance?	Primary Age	
Sin-Offerings	Atonement Day	Lev. 16	Bullock, Lord's Goat Scapegoat	Bullock - Not stated Goat - Not Stated Scapegoat - Aaron	Bullock supplied by Aaron, two goats supplied by the people. Aaron kills bullock and burns fat, liver and kidneys. (Lev. 4:9) Blood is sprinkled 7 times on and before Mercy Seat. Blood is then put on the	Aaron supplying the bullock pictures Jesus offering himself in sacrifice. The bullock = Perfect manhood of Jesus. The goats coming from the people show that the Church and Great Company are taken from fallen humanity. Lord's Goat= Justified humanity of Church. The combined sacrifice of Jesus and the Church give them the ability to help erase the effects of the Adamic curse and draw benefits from the personal pain and suffering man has felt from it. Two identical burnt-offering rams suggest both sin-offerings are equally acceptable. The rejected scapegoat represents the Great Company losing their crowns but then washing their robes. (Rev. 7:14)	of	
	For Personal Sin of Priest	Lev. 4:1-12	Bullock	Priest	Priest lays hands on bullock and kills it. The blood is taken into the Holy and sprinkled 7 times before 2 nd veil. Blood put on the horns of Incense Altar and the rest poured at base of Brazen Altar. Fat, kidneys and liver burned on altar, the rest burned outside the camp.	When blood is taken into the Holy a Gospel Age application is indicated. Being sprinkled ""before the [2nd] veil," illustrates the work of Jesus as the Church's Advocate also placed upon the Incense Altar and shows that our prayers are acceptable to God through the blood.		
	For Congregation	Lev. 4:13-21	Bullock	Elders	If the congregation sins then the offering is done exactly as with sins of a priest above, with the exception that the elders of the tribes lay their hands on the bull (instead of the priest).	This may refer to group sins amongst the spirit begotten. For example, in 1 Cor. 5 the entire ecclesia was held responsible for permitting another member to live in sin. The elders laying hands on bullock suggests that elders have a higher responsibility in watching over the flock.	Age	
	For Princes of Israel	Lev. 4:22-26 Num. 1:4-16	Male Goat	Prince	Prince that sins lays hands on a male goat and kills it. Blood is taken by the priest and put on horns of Brazen Altar. The rest is poured at the base of the altar. Fat, kidneys and liver burned on the Brazen Altar and a portion is eaten by the priest that offered it. (See Lev. 6:26; TS 99)	Princes of Israel may represent the Ancient Worthies (Psa. 45:16). Since they will be raised with human imperfections, Bro. Russell suggests they will be under the New Covenant. (R. 5073-4) This offering was for sins of ignorance, showing the Ancient Worthies will continue to learn and grow. The goat represents their repentance from sin. When blood remains in the Court, a Millennial Age application is indicated.		
	For Individual (less severe sins)	Lev. 4:27-35	Female Lamb or Goat	Individual Israelite	The individual sinner brings a female goat and offers it the same way as the prince above. Priest eats of it.	Everyone will be responsible for their own sins. (Jer. 31:29,30) Confession of sins and repentance will be expected. (Lev. 5:5) By placing blood on the horns of the Brazen Altar the priest indicated offerings to God remain acceptable. There is less accountability shown for sins of ignorance.		
	Tresspass Offerings 1. Sin of wrongly keeping silent, uncleanness, careless swearing	Lev. 5:1-13	Female Lamb or Goat or 2 Doves or 2 Pigeons (1 for a sin-offering, 1 for a burnt-offering) or flour w/no oil or incense	Individual Israelite		As in previous offering, individual lays hands on sacrifice, indicating their personal responsibilty. Priest acts on behalf of the individual, showing the vital role of the antitypical priesthood in helping overcome sin. In the Kingdom, various degrees of sin will be recognized and dealt with differently. Level of responsibility will depend on one's maturity. Even minor offences will be dealt with. All sin will require confession, but lesser sins will not require restitution, as in the following two catagories. (Note: In cleansing of a leper, blood of trespass-offering placed on right ear, thumb and toe of leper, followed by oil. Illustrates how sin is first dealt with then cleansing effect of holy Spirit. Lev. (14:14-18).	of e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e	
	2. Unintentional sin regarding holy things: i.e. in tithes, firstfruits, etc.	Lev. 5:14-19	Ram +value of tresspass + 1/5 more paid to priest	Individual Israelite	The fat, including the fat tail, kidneys, and liver are burned on the altar. Blood is sprinkled around Brazen Altar. The priest determines value of what should have been paid and adds 20%, paid to the priest.	This offering was for unintentional sins against holy things, such as tithing, not properly offering firstfruits, etc. These are not sins against other people, but against God, and may be similar to sins of Israel when they "robbed" God by not offering their best. (Mal. 3:8) Must be accompanied by repentance. (TS 99) Payment was in sanctuary shekels, showing a divine standard will be applied. The amount was determined by the officiating priest, suggesting the decision making of the antitypical priesthood.		
	3. Intentional sins: stealing, cheating, lying, swearing falsely	Lev 6:1-7, Lev. 7:1-7	Ram + full restitution determined by priest + 1/5 more, paid to injured party	Individual Israelite	The fat, including the fat tail, kidneys, and liver are burned on the altar. Blood is sprinkled around Brazen Altar. All priests eat of the offering.	Intentional sins against their fellow man will be more severely dealt with. Besides full restitution, an additional 20 % was added, showing some type of penalty imposed, possibly a right or privilege taken away for a time. By the priests eating of the offering, the Royal Priesthood is shown in accepting an individual's effort to be reconciled. (TS 100)		
Burnt Offerings	Law of People's Burnt Offering	Lev. 1	Bull, Ram, Male Goat, Turtledove or Young Pigeon	Individual Israelite	Individual lays hands on animal and kills it. The priest sprinkles the blood around Brazen Altar and offerer flays it. Priest lays head and fat on altar and offerer washes inward parts & legs which the priest then puts on the altar. The rest of the animal is then burned on the altar. The priest keeps the hide for himself. If the offering is a bird, the head is wrung off by the priest, the blood drained and the offerer removes the crop and tears open the body. Priest then burns it on the altar.	Unlike the compulsory sin-offerings or trespass-offerings, burnt-offerings, peace-offerings and grain-offerings were voluntary, stressing the willingness of an individual. In burn offerings there is a wonderful cooperation between offerer & priest, working together to provide an acceptable sacrifice. This foreshadows an individual's willing cooperation version the antitypical priesthood. Burnt-offerings were a "sweet savor unto the Lord" (vs. 13) and describe an individual's appreciation and desire to be accepted by God. Offering first unwashed head followed by washed body parts, shows a recognition that offerings will be accepted because of the head and body which sanctified the altar. Having the individual wash the body parts suggests a recognition that Church members were once sinners. Pigeons and doves represent smaller degrees of appreciation and less understanding. (TS of the company of		
	Law of Continual Burnt Offering	Lev. 6:8-13, Ex. 29:38-46	2 Lambs one for morning, one for evening sacrifice	Not Stated	The morning sacrifice was 1st of the day while the evening sacrifice was last. A lamb was laid onto the burning wood and fire was kept continually burning. Fat of the peace-offering was burned upon the burnt-offering. Meal and drink-offering accompanied the burnt-offering. Ashes were carried to a clean place. Approximate times of sacrifices were 9AM & 3PM.	The sacrifice of Jesus allows subsequent sacrifices to be accepted by God. Thus, the altar was "sanctified."9 AM & 3 PM correspond to Jesus' time on the cross. Also, the morning sacrifice may represent Jesus, while the evening sacrifice may represent the Church. Together they constitute the "better sacrifices" of Heb. 9:23. Accompanied by a meal and doffering may refer to the memorial symbols of the bread and wine. The ashes may picture the remembrance of these sacrifices. (TS 97; Frey 376)		
	Consecration of Priests	Lev. 8:2, 18-21	Lev. 8 - Ram	Aaron & Sons	Lev. 8 - All animals supplied by Moses. Moses offers one ram after sin-offering bullock. Blood of ram is sprinkled on altar. Moses burns unwashed head then washes inwards and legs and places them on altar, next to head.	Lev. 8 - This burnt-offering depicts the same consecration as the sin-offering but from a viewpoint of divine acceptance. (TS 45) Burnt-offerings also express willingness and were a sweet savor to God. Moses slew this burnt-offering, illustrating God's part in our consecrations. The head, Jesus, needed no washing, body parts, the Church, were washed (justified) before being offered. Entire animal then burned, showing complete devotion.	Both	
	8th Day Ceremony	Lev. 9:2,3, 12-14,16	Lev. 9 - Ram, Calf, Lamb	Lev. 9 - Not Stated	Lev. 9 - Animals supplied by Aaron & the people. The burnt-offering ram was sacrificed after first sin-offering. Bullock & lamb burnt-offering sacrificed after 2nd sin-offering. Head burned 1st, washed parts burned next to head.	Lev. 9 - Acceptance of Jesus' sin-offering (bullock). came immediately after his sacrifice, at his resurrection (Acts 17:31). Acceptance of Church's sin-offering will be demonstrated to world in the Kingdom. (TS 88) Church (lamb) is only acceptable because of the accompanying bullock (Jesus).	th Ages	
	Day of Atonement	Lev. 16:3, 5, 24	Lev. 16 - 2 Rams	Lev. 16 - Not Stated	<u>Lev. 16</u> - One burnt-offering each for bullock & goat. Sacrificed after both sin-offerings were complete.	<u>Lev. 16</u> - 2 identical rams = oneness of Jesus' & Church's sacrifices. The burnt-offerings were sacrificed while wearing garments of Glory & Beauty . (TS 72) This shows that the acceptance of Jesus' and the Church's sacrifices will be manifested in Kingdom when "The Christ" is revealed to the world.	S S	
Grain (or meal) Offerings	Law of People's Grain Offering	Lev. 2:1-12, Lev. 6:14-18, Lev. 7:9,10	Fine flour, oil & salt, no yeast or honey. Baked, fried cakes or wafers. Raw flour w/incense. Could be 1st fruits of dried corn w/oil & incense	Not Applicable				
Grain 0	Consecration of Priesthood	Lev. 8:26,31	1 unleavened cake, a cake of oiled bread & a wafer	Not Applicable	3 cakes put on fat and shoulder of Ram of Consecration and waved before the Lord. Remainder of basket eaten by the priests during the 7 day consecration ceremony.	Unleavened bread= justification of Jesus and the Church; Oiled bread= the effects of the holy Spirit (i.e. sanctification); Wafer= hope of glorification. Being placed upon the sthe Ram of Consecration shows that the character development of Jesus and the Church rests upon the strength of their consecrations. (Frey 520)		
Peace-Offerings	Law of People's Peace Offering	Lev. 3:1-17 Lev. 7:11-21; 29-36	Bull, Cow, Lamb or Goat; could be with unleavened cakes or wafer w/oil, or leavened bread	Individual Israelite	altar and burns the fat, kidneys & liver. If the offering is a lamb it is treated the same, except the fat tail is also burned. Peace-offerings are burned upon the continual burnt-offering. The fat and breast waved before Lord, the right shoulder is heaved before the Lord. The fat is burned and the breast	Peace-offering involved the free will of the individual and expressed thanksgiving. It also showed a desire for communion with God and was offered in cooperation with the priesthood. The Individual and priests ate of the sacrifice, suggesting their heart communion. When offered with a vow, it pictured the peace attained with consecration. We to side) and heaving (up & down) made the sign of a cross, a recognition that Jesus' death was necessary before peace could be attained. Peace-offerings were also made a assumption of a vow (Lev. 7:16). This describes an individual's desire to serve God and establish peace with Him. When offered in thanksgiving, a leavened loaf could be a picturing a recognition of one's sinful condition. This offering arrives at the real purpose behind all other sacrifices, i.e. peace between God and every willing individual, and described as a sweet savor to God.		
	Consecration of Priesthood	Lev. 8:22-32	Ram	Aaron & Sons	Moses slays 2nd ram (called the ram of consecration) and places blood on right ear, thumb & toe of priests. Fat, liver, kidneys, rump, unleavened cake, oiled bread & one wafer is waved by priests then burned by Moses. Moses waves breast of ram of consecration then sprinkles Aaron & sons with it's blood mixed with oil. Priests boil and eats of the breast.	Ram of consecration was a peace-offering (i.e. parts waved & heaved - Exod. 29:26, 27; Lev. 7:29, 30). Blood on right ear, thumb and toe represents consecration of all faculties. Blood sprinkled on Brazen Altar shows how the consecrations of Jesus and the Church contribute to making the way for sacrifice to God available in the future. Aaron and sons sprinkled with blood from the ram of consecration mingled with oil shows that the antitypical priesthood is anointed to sacrifice. Eating of the breast of the ram of consecration, a peace-offering, shows the Church attains peace with God through consecration of the heart. Three offerings are connected in Lev. 8; (1) sin-offering bullock = atonement, (2) burnt-offering ram = divinely accepted heart devotion, leading to (3) peace-offering ram of consecration = peace with God.	Gosp Age	
	8th Day Ceremony	Lev. 9:4, 18-21	Bullock & Ram	Not Stated, but was "for the people"	Aaron kills bullock and ram and sprinkles their blood on the Brazen Altar. The fat, including the fat tail, was placed on the breasts and, with the right shoulders, waved before the Lord. The fat, kidneys and liver were burned. The breasts went to Aaron and his sons, the right shoulders went to the officiating priest. (Lev. 7:31,33) After finishing the sacrifices Aaron blesses the people, then enters the tabernacle with Moses. They then come out and together bless the people. Fire from heaven consumes the burnt-offering and the people fell on their faces.	These two peace-offerings were "for the people." The antitypical offerings of the Gospel Age are for the benefit of mankind. 1 Cor. 15:29 - We are "baptized for the dead." The bullock & ram point back to the merit of the sin-offering which form the basis of mankind's peace. By eating of this offering the priests benefited, showing the blessings of being part of the antitypical priesthood. In blessing the people, Aaron pictures the good influence of Jesus and the Church during the Gospel Age. The blessing of Moses and Aaron represents the blessings of God's Kingdom, administered by the antitypical priesthood. Fire from heaven is the revelation of God's acceptance of the Gospel Age sacrifices. When the people witnessed the fire they fell on their faces, an act depicting the worship of mankind.	Millenial Age	

A Comparative Study of Leviticus 8, 9 & 16

A key to understanding why God created three similar services is to examine their primary differences. (In the chart below, the major differences are marked in yellow). Each chapter looks at the sacrifices of Jesus and the Church from different perspectives. Leviticus 8 pictures the effect of the sacrifices on Jesus and the Church themselves. This event covered seven days, a picture of the seven stages of the Gospel Age. Leviticus 9 follows on the 8th day and depicts the effect the Gospel Age sacrifices from God's perspective and is a more detailed analysis of the satisfaction of His justice. Lev. 8 focuses on consecration; Lev. 9 focuses on atonement.

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	Significance			Significance	Significance						
Animals provided by:	Moses Vs. 1,2	Moses = God "A body hath thou prepared me." Heb. 10:5 Jehovah-Jirah, Jehovah will provide - Gen. 22:15 (TS 41; Frey 504) God established the need for blood atonement.	Bullock - Aaron Goat -The people vs 2, 3	Aaron = The New Creature of Jesus willingly offering his human nature (bullock). People = The world; The Church is taken from among fallen humanity.	Aaron & people vs. 3, 5	Same as Lev. 9					
Animals slain by:	Moses	Indicates God's part in consecration. He provided guidelines for acceptable sacrifice. "And, no man takes this honor to himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron." Heb. 5:4	Aaron vs. 7, 15, 18	Jesus, as the anti-typical high priest, offered up his perfect human nature and he offers the justified humanity of the Church.	Aaron & people vs. 3, 5	Same as Lev. 9					
Aaron washed by:	Moses vs. 6	The washing of Aaron shows the inherent purity of Jesus. The washing of his sons shows the cleansing of the antitypical under-priesthood through justification. "- Titus 3:5		Washing is not pictured because this chapter focuses on the work of the Kingdom. Cleansing of the Church is a Gospel Age picture.	Self vs. 4, 24	The washing occurred twice, before putting on sacrificial robes and before wearing the glory robes. The 1st washing shows the purity of Jesus and the justification of the Church, which preceded their sacrifice. It also shows the Church's willingness to be cleansed from sin. The 2nd washing before wearing the glory robes pictures the actual perfection of the glorified Christ.					
Aaron dressed by:	Moses vs. 7-9	God created the office of High Priest, stipulating it's sacrificial work and role in blessing the people. Priestly garments designed by God illustrating features of the antitypical priesthood. Urim and Thummim show priesthood as Mediator between God and man.			Self vs. 4, 23, 24	The central item of the glory robes was the embroidered ephod. (Frey 321) The beautiful embroidery represents character development. (TS 29) Having Aaron dress himself may illustrate the personal responsibility of each member of the antitypical priesthood towards spiritual growth.					
Aaron anointed by:	Moses vs. 10-12	Anti-typical high priest is anointed and "sanctified" with God's holy Spirit (Psa. 133:2; Heb. 1:9; 1 John 2:27). The tabernacle and "all that was therein" also anointed by Moses showing every detail of the plan of salvation is from God. Aaron's head was anointed prior to sprinkling (8:12), picturing Jesus receiving the holy Spirit at Jordan (Matt. 3:16). Later (8:30) Aaron & sons sprinkled with blood (from Ram of Consecration) mixed with anointing oil. Ram of Consecration was a peace-offering (i.e. parts waved & heaved - Exod. 29:26, 27). Sprinkled blood, mingled with oil, shows the Church comes under the anointing through the blood of consecration. (Frey 499)									
Sin Offering	Bullock vs 2, 14-17	God views the offering of Jesus and the Church as one offering.	1. Bullock 2. Goat vs. 2, 3	Unlike chapter 8, chapters 9 and 16 show the two parts of the sin-offering. 1. Perfect human nature of Jesus 2. Justified human nature of Church	1. Bullock 2. Goat vs. 3, 5	Same as Lev. 9					
Sin Offering blood sprinkled on:	Horns of Brazen Altar & poured on ground vs. 15	Blood of the sin-offering provided an acceptable avenue for offerings to God. Blood poured on ground showed that the earth was also purchased.– Psa. 2:8	Horns of Brazen Altar & poured on ground vs. 9	Same as Lev. 8	1. Mercy Seat vs. 14, 15 2. Incense Altar Exod. 30:10 3. Brazen Altar vs. 18, 19	This is the distinguishing feature of this chapter. Blood applied to the Mercy Seat represents the satisfaction of God's justice. Placing blood on Incense Altar sanctified the Holy and pictured the prayers of the saints being acceptable because of the blood. Sprinkling blood on the Brazen Altar sanctified it, suggesting how the blood makes offerings to God accepateble.					
Burnt Offering	Ram vs. 18-21	Pictures God's manner of acceptance; tried by fire (1 Peter 1:7); entirely consumed described as a sweet smelling savor, illustrating that complete, willing devotion is precious to God. Moses slew this burnt-offering showing God's part making our consecrations acceptable. The unwashed head (Jesus) laid on the altar first, & washed body parts (Church) laid next to the head showing Jesus preceded the Church and needed no cleansing from sin, while his body was washed through justification. Blood sprinkled around Brazen Altar.	1. Ram 2. Bullock & lamb vs. 2, 3, 12-14, 16	Same meaning as Lev. 8. However, the two burnt-offering animals after the goat shows the Church (lamb) is only acceptable because of Jesus (bullock)who preceded it.	1. Ram vs. 3 2. Ram vs. 5	Same as Lev. 8					
Peace Offering (Communion Offering)	Ram of Consecration vs. 22-32	Blood placed on right ear, thumb & big toe, illustrating hearing of faith, hands of service & consecrated walk. A total commitment of lifestyle elevates our communion with God and prepares us to teach mankind. Entire animal then burned, showing complete devotion. Eating of the breast of the Ram of Consecration, a peace-offering (Lev. 7:29-30), shows the Church attaining peace with God through consecration of the heart. Three offerings are here connected, (1)sin-offering = atonement, (2) burnt-offering = divinely accepted heart devotion, leading to (3) Ram of Consecration = peace with God.	1. Bullock 2. Ram vs. 4, 18-21	This peace offering is "for the people" and is appropriate since this chapter emphasizes the effect of the sin-offering on the world. It will bring peace to a sin-sick world. (See 1 Cor. 15:29). Lev. 7:16 shows that a peace-offering was made at the assumption of a vow, picturing an individual's desire to serve God and establish peace with Him through the New Covenant.							
Blood of other offerings sprinkled on:	Ram of Consecration's blood mixed w/ oil & sprinkled on Aaron & sons then upon the altar. vs. 30 (Exod. 29:20)	Aaron and sons sprinkled with blood from the Ram of Consecration mixed with oil shows that the antitypical priesthood is anointed to sacrifice. Blood sprinkled on Brazen Altar shows how the consecrations of Jesus and the Church contribute to making the way for sacrifice to God available in the future.									
Incense burned in:					Holy vs. 12, 13	Coals from the Brazen Altar were brought into the Holy and incense was burned on the Incense Altar before blood of the bullock was taken into the Most Holy. This was not done for the goat. The incense then represents the perfection of our Lord's life in offering prayer and praise to God.					
Additional Animals					Scapegoat vs. 5, 7, 8 10, 20-22	This goat was not sacrificed on the Brazen Altar. It was presented "alive" but released to die in the wilderness and bear the iniquities of Israel. This illustrates how the Great Company will bear a portion of the punishment for mankind's partially willful sins. (Frey 619-628; Ezek. 44:10-14)					
People blessed by:			1. Aaron 2. Moses & Aaron vs. 22, 23	Aaron was likely wearing sacrificial robes while still at the altar. (Frey 551) His 1st blessing pictures the good influence of Jesus & Church during the Gospel Age. However, it is not the main blessing intended by the sacrifices. Upon exiting the Holy with Moses, Aaron, now wearing glory robes, gives a 2nd blessing, a picture of the full blessings of the kingdom. (TS 82). Being accompanied by Moses suggests the entire arrangement has been sanctioned by God. The people falling on their faces pictures the world's recognition of God and the Christ as the source of blessings.							
Garments worn by High Priest:	Glorious	Aaron was dressed by Moses in glorious garments and remained so throughout the 7 day ceremony. Being a Gospel Age picture, wearing the glorious garments indicates that the office is an earnest of our inheritance. (Frey 497) The purpose of the Gospel Age is for the preparation of a glorious priesthood.	Sacrificial & Glorious vs. 22, 23	Though no mention is made regarding the change of garments, it may be implied by the two blessings described above. If garments <u>were</u> changed then a transition of the ages is being depicted.	Sacrificial/ Glorious vs. 4, 23, 24	The change of garments shows the transition between a priesthood which offers sacrifice (Gospel Age) and a priesthood prepared to reign. After changing to glory robes Aaron sacrifices the two burnt-offerings. The acceptance of the previous sinofferings will be revealed by a glorified priesthood.					