Sunday, January 30, 2022 Sermon Series for January 2022: "The Heart of Worship and the Heart of God"



"The Cost of Worship" Leviticus 6:8-30

We all have received offers with the incentive, "No cost or obligation." We like our worship the same. God says differently. True worship involves sacrifice on our part- a giving, humbling of ourselves before and to God.

Finish the sentence, "When I attend worship I expect:

At the end of Exodus, Moses and the Israelites have finished the tabernacle (*Exodus 40*) and are ready for actual worship to begin. *Leviticus 1:1*, worship is about to begin. What anticipations do you think Israel might have had at this moment? How are they the same/ different than your anticipations of worship?

Leviticus 1-6 all highlight the different offerings the Israelites were to make to God. Burnt (*Leviticus 1*), Grain (Thanksgiving) (*Leviticus 2*), Fellowship (*Leviticus 3*), Sin (*Leviticus 4*), Guilt (*Leviticus 5:6:7*). Which offering would be the easiest for you to offer to God? The hardest?

Read *Leviticus 6:12,13*. All these offerings were to show dedication to God. The fire was to be kept burning constantly because dedication is to be renewed continually. How do you continually renew your dedication to God? What new steps can you take to ensure dedication does not wane?

Sacrificial Worship Showed ______ to God (*Leviticus* 6:14-23)

What are some ways, that I currently don't do that I can show my gratitude to God?

The grain offering was a gift that was not easily obtainable by the Israelites because of their nomadic existence. Do I give out of my surplus, where I don't notice, or out of my essentials where a gift is an act of sacrifice?

Sacrificial Worship is a confession to God of my _____ (*Leviticus* 6:24-30)

Sin is what is forbidden by or a deviation from God laws and commands. My knowledge of the command, or ignorance of the command does not matter. The trespass was so great that blood had to be spilled to atone for the sin.

Read *Romans* **3:20-26.** Jesus provided the final and ultimate sacrifice for our sins. Have you made Jesus' sacrifice and intentional part of your life?

Can you take time to thank God Jesus' sacrifice for you?

Next Week: Communion ~ "Am I a Rebel?" (Numbers 14:1-10)