

POINT: PRAY BECAUSE IT PLEASES GOD! (see Ps.141:2; Lk.11:9-13; see Col.1:10)

I. INCENSE

- A. PLEASING AROMA (Song 3:6; 4:6,11f,14)
- B. COMMANDED BY GOD (Ex.31:11)
- C. SANCTIFIED FOR WORSHIP (Ex.30:35,37; 37:29)
- D. GOLDEN ALTAR (Ex39:38; 40:5; Lk1:11; Heb9:4(Ex40:5); Rev5:8; 8:3 /vs bronze, Ex35:16; 39:38,39; 1K8:64)
- E. EPITOME OF WORSHIP (Dt.33:10; 1Sam.2:28; 1Kngs.9:25; 1Chr.23:13; Mal.1:11; Lk.1:9)
- F. EPITOME OF IDOLATRY (Lev.26:30; 1K3:3; 11:8; 13:1f; 2K18:4; 2Chr34:25; Ezk8:11; 16:18; 23:41; etc)

II. INCENSE IS A PICTURE OF PRAYER (Ps.141:2; (Jer.11:12); Lk.1:10; Rev.5:8; 8:3,4)

- A. ADORATION (Dan.2:46; see Ex.30:37; 35:28)
- B. CONFESSION (see Lev.1:5; Is.1:11)
- C. THANKSGIVING (see Jer.17:26; Phil.4:6)
- D. SUPPLICATION (see Ex.37:25; Lk.1:10-13)

III. THE SACRIFICES ARE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PRAYER

- A. INDIVIDUAL (Lev.2:15f (5:11); 4:7; 6:15)
- B. DAILY (Ex.30:7,8(29:38f); 2Chr.13:11; see Ps.141:2)
- C. ANNUAL (Lev.16:12,13; 21; see Ex.30:10,1f)

IV. THE PRIESTHOOD IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PRAYER

- A. AARON (Num.4:16; 1Sam.2:28; see 1Chr.23:13 & 2Chr.29:11 w/Acts 13:2,3)
- B. NADAB & ABIHU (Lev.10:1; see Ex.30:9,37)
- C. KORAH (Num.16:6f,35,40; see 46f)
- D. UZZIAH (2Chr.26:16f)
- E. ZACHARIAS (Lk.1:8f)

V. JESUS: THE REALITY BEHIND ALL THESE PICTURES (see Lk.24:44; 2Cor.1:20)

- A. THE TRUE TABERNACLE (Heb.8:1f,5; 9:4,11f)
- B. THE TRUE SACRIFICE (Heb.9:12f; 10:4f,18)
- C. THE TRUE HIGH PRIEST (Heb.4:15f; 7:1f; 9:7f,11f)
- D. THE TRUE INCENSE (Heb.4:14-16; 7:24,25; 9:24; see Rom.8:34; Lk.1:11; see Jn.14:13,etc.; 16:26)

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Discussion question:
Brethren, what shall WE do? (see Acts 2:37f)