

# **THE SCAPEGOAT** **IN THE WILDERNESS**

## **Leviticus 16**

**Might we learn about and give thanks for God's scapegoat.**

### **I. DEALING WITH SIN** - Leviticus 16

#### **A. DAY OF ATONEMENT DETAILS**

1. The seriousness of sin (1)
  - a. Two of Aaron's sons died - See Lev. 10:1-2
  - b. They were killed by God because of their disregard and disrespect for God - Lev. 10:3
2. The cleansing of sin (29-30 then 11-22)
  - a. A purifying process (29-30)
  - b. Purification of the priest (11-14)
  - c. Purification of the place (15-19)
  - d. Purification of the people (20-22)

#### **B. THE SCAPEGOAT'S IMAGERY (10, 20-22 & 26)**

1. The covering of sin (10) > Making atonement
2. The confession of sin (21a) > Confessing all Israel's iniquities and transgressions
3. The assignment of sin (21b) > Laying them on the head of the goat
4. The removal of sin (21c) > Sending it away
5. The separation from sin (21d-22) > Into the wilderness  
- See Psalm 103:11-12 and Micah 7:18-19
6. The freedom from sin (26) > The assistant washed and then came into the camp

### **II. THE SAVIOR OUR SCAPEGOAT**

**A. BEARING OUR SIN** - See Isaiah 53:6; I Peter 2:24; Hebrews 10:10-12

**B. TAKING AWAY OUR SIN** - Consider John 1:29 and Col. 2:13-14

**C. GIVING HIMSELF FOR OUR SIN** - Read Galatians 1:3-5 and II Corinthians 5:21  
- Jesus paid it all!

**D. SACRIFICING HIMSELF FOR OUR SIN** - Note Hebrews 9:26-28 and I John 4:10  
- Because of His sacrifice we will not face God's wrath and judgement after death

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**CONCLUSION:**

**Praise God that though we are serious sinners, we have a Savior-Scapegoat!**

- Read I John 2:1-2