

- 4:7...the horns...symbolic of power..the power of God to forgive(?)
- 4:12..even the whole bullock he shall carry forth...the disposal of the sin offering is striking.
- 4:13..the whole congregation...a group sin and a group offering
- 4:15..the elders...representative of the whole company
- 4:22..a ruler...no one can sin through ignorance and not be charged!
- 4:23..a kid of the goats
- 4:26..it shall be forgiven him...compare this with v. 20.
Forgiveness is happily real in the Old Testament as is proved in Romans when David wants to show the joy that comes with it.
- 4:27..one of the common people
- 4:28..a kid of the goats, a female..
- 4:31..it shall be forgiven him and note also vs. 35.

The whole purpose is to let the worshipper have peace of conscience in the knowledge that God has forgiven and he can live his life openly and unafraid. This step in the sacrificial system is very important and if you keep them together...we worship, dedicate, fellowship, confess...

- 5:1..hear---not utter...ignorance and now non-participation although the offense is undeniably at hand
- 5:2..touch--unclean...If nothing else these verses ought to make us aware of the powerful grip of sin on parts of life. No one can see self in a perfected way if the grip of these verses registers on the heart. Sin is any lacking of righteousness and it is obvious that there are several ways to lack it. Those who are committed to perfectionism in our day are forced to make a delineation in sins so that some are lest costly before God... or some are not even sinful. But under the law...the smallest brush with sin rendered the party unclean and in need of the sacrificial mercy.
he shall be guilty (see also vs. 3)
- 5:4..the oath...probably the abuse of a vow
- 5:5..he shall confess...when the matter is made known to the individual the only proper course is to agree with God about it...to "confess."
- 5:6...a female
- 5:7..two turtledoves...here we again have a breakdown of the offering to accommodate all worshippers. The terms "trespass" and "sin" offering are used interchangeably in this portion.
- 5:11..but if not...just in case someone is too poor to take the turtledoves or pigeons.
a tenth part of an ephah of fine flour...about 2 and 3/4 quart.
no frankincense..this offering can hardly have a sweet savour.
- 5:12..shall make an atonement..it shall be forgiven. God moves directly to free us from the burden of our sin.