

# Day of Atonement

**Objective:** Your child will be able to understand the importance of keeping the Day of Atonement and how we keep the Day of Atonement.

**Bible:** KJV 1611 with apocrypha

## **Opening Statement**

The Day of Atonement is a high holy day that TMH gave us to keep every year and it happens right before Tabernacles. It is a holy convocation so you must congregate if you are able to. On this day TMH is showing us grace by giving us one day out of the year to atone for our sins and get our act together so that we can make it to the kingdom. We are to afflict our souls, thank God for not killing us for the sin we've committed, repent from our sins and send up our prayers. You're also not supposed to do any work on this day.

## **Vocabulary Words**

Atonement- making amends for wrong doings.

Sin- the breaking of the commandments.

Repent- to feel sorry for something you have done and do it no more.

Grace- a time to get yourself right from the sins you have done.

## **Key Scriptures**

Leviticus 23:26 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Leviticus 23:27 Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

Leviticus 23:28 And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God.

Leviticus 23:29 For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people.

Leviticus 23:30 And whatsoever soul it be that doeth any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people.

Leviticus 23:31 Ye shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

Leviticus 23:32 It shall be unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye celebrate your sabbath.

### **What is the Day of Atonement?**

- The Day of Atonement is a high holy day that TMH gave us where we have a chance to repent for the sins that we have committed and it gives us the opportunity of having a clean slate.

### **When do we keep the Day of Atonement?**

- We keep the Day of Atonement from the 9th day of the 7th month, to the 10th day of the 7th month (sun down to sun down).

### **Is the Day of Atonement a Sabbath like the New Moon?**

- No it's a very serious day (Sirach 33:7-9).

### **What does it mean to afflict our souls?**

- To afflict our souls we don't eat or drink anything from sun down to sun down. You're also not supposed to taste anything, so you wouldn't brush your teeth on this day (Isaiah 58:3-6, Jonah 3:5-7).

### **Who is the Day of Atonement for?**

- This day is for the Israelites (Leviticus 23:1-2,26-32).

### **How can you prepare for the Day of Atonement?**

- Examine yourself and think back on all the times you have sinned in the last year.
- Apologizing to your brother/sister if you have hurt their feelings, stepped out of the spirit, didn't love your neighbor etc.

### **What if you missed a Day of Atonement?**

- If you're in the truth, you can't. It's a very serious day (Sirach 33:7-9).

### **What happens if you sin after the Day of Atonement?**

- We have been in sin for so long that we are now learning how to truly repent and keep the laws of the Lord. We will make mistakes in our walk, but it's important to keep getting back up and working on not sinning any more (Proverbs 24:16-18).

## 7 Steps To Keeping Day of Atonement

### 1. Learn the Laws

You must read the Bible and listen to the scriptures regularly. If you never pick up your Bible, you won't know what sin is. You will not know what is pleasing to the Lord and what he doesn't like. (Romans 7:7)

### 2. Understand the Significance of DOA

Before Christ came we were sinning willfully all the time and the priest had to offer up a scape goat to make an atonement for our sins and his sins. When Christ came, animal sacrifice was done away with because Christ was the perfect sacrifice. When Christ died, we entered into grace which gave us a chance to repent from our sins and not get killed right away. Grace does not mean that we should keep sinning, but take it as a chance for us to get right (Leviticus 16:27-34, Galatians 5:13)

### 3. Examine Yourself

Your actions should align with the words of the Bible. You can't just hear the words of the Bible, but must apply what you are learning. You must have the ability to be able to judge yourself using the Bible (James 1:23, 1 Corinthians 11:31, Hebrews 9:28)

### 4. Confess Your Sins

When you sin, you must acknowledge it, confess it and repent from it. The Lord sees everything that you do and think, so you must go to the Lord and confess it instead of trying to hide it (Psalms 32:5, Proverbs 28:13)

### 5. Forsake Your Sins

We have one job and that is to keep the commandments. Once you know the laws, you can't walk around sinning willfully. Your goal should be to do less sin as you grow in this truth (Sirach 17:24)

### 6. Forgive Those Who Have Sinned Against You

If you can't forgive those who have sinned against you, you can't expect the Lord to forgive you for the sins you have committed. After you forgive your brother, you must help to build him back up (2 Corinthians 2:7, Sirach 28:2-4).

### 7. Teach People To Turn From Their Sins

The laws tell you not to sin, and whoever commits sin and does not repent will die. People watch your actions, so you are a living example to many people. You must be able to correct your people, when you see them breaking the laws (Isaiah 58:1)

## Who Didn't Atone For Their Sins?

### **Judas Ischariot** **Matthew 26:14 -17, Matthew 27:3-10**

- Judas betrayed Christ for 30 pieces of silver by giving him up to the chief priest and the elders. Once he saw that Christ was sentenced to death, he tried to take it back but it was too late. He ended up committing suicide (he killed himself).

### **Jezebel** **1 Kings 21:4-15,23 2 Kings 9:29-37**

- Jezebel's husband Ahab, was upset that Naboth would not give him his vineyard. When Jezebel heard about this, she wrote a letter and used her husband's seal and sent it to the nobles telling them to hire two men to lie against Naboth. When the people heard it, they stoned Naboth to death. When Jezebel heard that Naboth was dead, she told Ahab to go claim Naboth's vineyard. Jezebel's judgment was that she would be eaten by dogs.

### **42 Kids** **2 Kings 2:19-24**

- Elisha was performing miracles, healing the water where 42 children lived. After Elisha healed the water, 42 kids came out mocking and teasing him calling him a bald head. Elisha cursed them and TMH sent two mama bears out of the wood to eat them up.

### **Ananias and Sapphira** **Acts 5:1-11**

- Ananias and Sapphira sold their land to be able to give alms to the body. They told an unnecessary lie about how much money they received. The prophets gave them a chance to tell the truth and they continued to lie about it. They lied to the Holy Spirit and the Lord ended up killing them. They could have repented when given the chance to come clean, but continued to lie about it.

### **Rachel** **Genesis 31:19, 26-35, Genesis 35:16-19**

- Rachel stole the images from her father's house and was willing to let her husband be killed for it. Rachel decided to sit on top of the camels' furniture that had the images in it. When her father went to her to rise off the camels' furniture so that he could check it, she lied about having an issue of blood. She ended up dying when giving birth to Benoni (Benjamin).

### **The elders** **Susanna 1:8-62**

- There were two elders that were stalking Susanna. When Susanna was getting ready to take a bath, they came from behind the bushes and said they would lie on her and say she committed adultery if she doesn't commit adultery with them. Susanna refused and the men called out to the people of the house and said they caught her committing adultery. When it was time for her to be judged, Susanna prayed to the Lord, the Lord heard her prayer and had Daniel stand up in her favor. Daniel questioned the men separately and they each lied about what tree they saw her under. They were put to death for lying against their neighbor.

## Activities for Parents to Do With Their Child

- Self examination is a major part of atoning for your sins. The younger your child is, the more they may need help with examining themselves . Teach your child what self examination is and let them know whenever you see them in sin. When you can't tell your child they are in sin, you hate them (Leviticus 19:17).
- Read the prayer of Manasseh in the Apocrypha with your child to show an example of how Manessah atoned for his sins.

## Activities for the Child:

- Have your child make a list of what sins they need to work on getting rid of before the next Day of Atonement.
- Have your child write down one sin they have done recently and discuss the proper ways of how they can repent from their sin.

## Q & A- Review

- When is the Day of Atonement this year?
- What is the Day of Atonement?
- How do we keep the Day of Atonement?
- Who is someone that did not atone for their sins?
- Who is the Day of Atonement for?

## Closing.

The Day of Atonement is a day that we all need and we must be grateful that the Lord has given us another chance to get right. There is no sense in fasting for the Lord to forgive you of your sins, if you can't forgive your neighbor for the hurt that they caused you. There is no sense in fasting for the Lord to forgive you for the sins you have committed, if you go back to doing those same sins. The Lord will not answer your prayers. Pray to the Lord that your spirit gets right and you continue to grow in this truth.

**You have two choices to make. Which DOA do you want?**

1) You can take **Day of Atonement** seriously, forgive your neighbor, and work on repenting and sinning less or.....

2) You can keep on sinning without true repentance and deal with **Death on Arrival**. You will miss out on the kingdom and have to deal with the second death.

- Exodus 32:32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written.
- Hebrews 10:26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,
- James 1:14 -15 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.