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What is Propitiation?

Propitiation is not a word or term used much, if at all, in conversational English. In fact, it is not even well discussed or taught in many churches anymore. So what exactly is propitiation?

Propitiation is any action engaged in with the intent to appease, conciliate or expiate mercy or satisfaction on behalf of a wronged party. Both Justice and Grace are strongly represented in propitiation for the term means conciliation and justice. The severity or weight of the party wronged must be equaled by the weight or remedy of the right. In Scripture, the remedy for the magnitude of the crimes (sin and evil) against a holy and perfect God demand there be satisfaction equal in magnitude prior to God's grace and mercy becoming manifest to those represented by the propitiator. Our remedy for crimes against God is the vicarious sacrifice of the sinless God-man Jesus on behalf of a repentant humanity.

Propitiation & Atonement

In the context of Atonement, propitiation is the act of turning aside the Wrath of God by providing God an *appeasement* that *satisfies* God's demand for *Justice* – the *Punishment* of Crimes against God – for Sin and Evil. There never seems to be enough treatment on the subject of sin. Humans must gain a fuller understanding of just how great sin is to holy and righteous God. Sin is crimes against God. Crimes deserve and need appropriate punishment for justice to be served.

What people don't seem to understand and all but the best churches are so reluctant to teach is this: the Wrath of God is the biggest problem facing humanity. All humanity is subject to and under God's wrath due to sin. Unless there is a provision to appease or turn away God's wrath, all humanity is lost. There is no hope for humanity who finds themselves on the business end of God's Wrath. God's wrath is **not** like the capricious anger of the pagan gods of ancient religions and the deities of many of the world's religions. It is however a true wrath against sin and it is this TRUE and PROPER WRATH against sin that humanity should and must be concerned about. God's Wrath is not some small and insignificant element alongside His far more significant and overwhelming love. God's Wrath and God's Loves are co-equal elements in frequency and intensity. The bible, from Genesis to Revelation speaks of God's wrath against sin and evil as strongly as it does about God's love and provision for appeasing His wrath. The liability created by God's Wrath defines the provisions for God's grace upon sinful man. That provision is in the form of the propitiatory and vicarious or substitutionary sacrifice in the person of Jesus, the Lamb of God slain before the foundation of the world.

Although propitiation means turning the wrath of God aside, in the biblical framework propitiation was *never* a case of mere human beings appeasing the Divine Wrath of God ... but rather God Himself satisfying His wrath against sin and evil through

the death of His own incarnate Son, Jesus. It is God Himself who, out of His great love for sinful humanity that provides the **ONLY WAY** by which His wrath against sin may be satisfied or averted.

In Jesus the God-man, God placated His own wrath against sin so that His Love may go out to save sinners. God instituted a sacrificial system under the Old Covenant to point us to Messiah and His ultimate sacrifice as the holy, perfect and spotless Lamb of God. Only Theanthropos, the God-man Jesus could appease God's need for Justice and the Punishment of sin as a *substitute* (vicar) for man's guilt of sin. It is significant to note that the sacrifices under the Mosaic system are not recognized as human works but as Divine Gifts. It is always God who mandated the provisions for all Old Covenant sacrifices. God simply did not leave man to guess what he needs to do to remedy his crimes against God.

Leviticus 17:11

'For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement.'

Sinful man must diligently work and strive to see the magnitude and offensiveness of sin and evil to our holy and righteous God. Our sin nature makes this difficult to understand. Our lack of understanding manifests with comments like, "that seems very harsh," or those who feign Christianity with comments like, "the death penalty for murder is cruel, inhuman and violates God's law of love." Nothing could be further from the truth of God, for God Himself demands death for all who commit murder.

Genesis 9:6

"Whoever sheds man's blood, By man his blood shall be shed, For in the image of God He made man.

Judgment stands squarely upon the shoulders of the so-called shepherds of God for not teaching the truth of God. Crime against God's image is crime against God Himself.

Mercy Seat is Propitiation

In the Old Covenant, the *Mercy Seat*, הרבט kapporeth (*kap-po'-reth*) of the Arc of the Covenant represents the propitiatory sacrifice of Jesus as the Lamb of God (Passover) and as our Eternal High Priest (Day of Atonement) before God. The blood of the lamb sprinkled upon the altar on the Day of Atonement points to the blood of Jesus shed upon the cross before the throne of God in the Holy of Holies. Exodus 25 give a pointed illustration (see Appendix: Old Covenant) of the propitiation seat or Mercy Seat.

Exodus 25:20-22

20 The cherubim shall have *their* wings spread upward, covering the **mercy seat <kapporeth>** with their wings and facing one another; the faces of the cherubim are to be *turned* toward the **mercy seat <kapporeth>**.

- 21 "You shall put the **mercy seat <kapporeth>** on top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the testimony which I will give to you.
- 22 "There I will meet with you; and from above the **mercy seat <kapporeth>**, from between the two cherubim which are upon the ark of the testimony, I will speak to you about all that I will give you in commandment for the sons of Israel.

The symbolism is too overwhelming to be ignored. God is looking down between the outstretched wings of the cherubim above the Arc of the Covenant, above the propitiation, the seal or lid upon the Old Covenant Laws upon which the Mercy Seat is attached, and does not see the broken Laws of God in the Arc, but instead sees the blood of Jesus - the innocent victim as payment and satisfaction to God. It is here that mercy and justice merge into one in Messiah Jesus.

Propitiation for sin has been made. In the New Covenant, the Greek term ilasthrion hilasterion (*hil-as-tay'-ree-on*) is comparable to the Old Covenant Mercy Seat (see the next section New Testament). God's love now goes out to save those who by faith accept the propitiation of Jesus for themselves. This is the one and only provision made by God that will save you from His Wrath. Please refer to the study on <u>Atonement</u> for indepth coverage of propitiation and atonement under the Old Covenant.

Acts 4:12

"And **there is salvation in no one else**; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."

The New Testament story of the tax collector also speaks to those who are removed from being under the wrath of God by God Himself and not because of any righteous deeds of man.

Luke 18:9

¶ And He also told this parable to some people who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and viewed others with contempt:

The prayer of the righteous man is the prayer answered by God for the removal of that man from God's wrath.

Luke 18:13

"But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, be **merciful** (hilaskomai) to me, the sinner!'

The Greek word ilaskomai hilaskomai (hil-as'-kom-ahee) is the exact word translated as propitiation in other texts and can be rendered as "God, be Mercy Seated to me, a sinner." The man is asking that the propitiation of the blood of the Messiah be accepted as appearement, as expiation or propitiation for him a sinner. Those who do not come to Jesus as Lord, remain on the business end of God's Wrath.

NEW TESTAMENT

2435 ilasthrion hilasterion (hil-as-tay'-ree-on)

from ilasthriov hilasterios; a derivative of 2433 *propitiatory*; TDNT-3:318,362; n n **NAS-mercy seat (1), propitiation (1).**

AV-propitiation 1, mercyseat 1; 2

- - 1b) an expiatory sacrifice 1c) a expiatory victim

2433 ilaskomai hilaskomai (hil-as'-kom-ahee)

from the same as 2436; to be propitious, make propitiation for:— middle voice from the same as 2436; to conciliate, i.e. (transitively) to atone for (sin), or (intransitively) be propitious:—be merciful, make reconciliation for.

NAS-make propitiation (1), merciful (1).

AV-be merciful 1, make reconciliation 1; 2

- 1) to render one's self, to appease, conciliate to one's self
 - 1a) to become propitious, be placated or appeased
 - 1b) to be propitious, be gracious, be merciful
- 2) to expiate, make propitiation for

2434 ilamov hilasmos (hil-as-mos')

from 2433; *propitiation:*— a root word; atonement, i.e. (concretely) an expiator:— propitiation.

NAS-propitiation (2).

AV-propitiation 2; 2

- 1) an appeasing, propitiating
- 2) the means of appeasing, a propitiation

2436 ilewv hileos (hil'-eh-oce)

another spelling of ilaov hilaos (propitious, gracious); propitious:— perhaps from the alternate form of 138; cheerful (as attractive), i.e. propitious; adverbially (by Hebraism) God be gracious!, i.e. (in averting some calamity) far be it:— be it far, merciful.

NAS-god forbid (1), merciful (1).

AV-be it far 1, merciful 1; 2

1) propitious, merciful

Scriptures

Romans 3:25

whom God displayed publicly as a **propitiation** <**2435 ilasthrion hilasterion**> in His blood through faith. *This was* to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;

Hebrews 9:5

and above it *were* the cherubim of glory overshadowing the **mercy seat** <**2435 ilasthrion hilasterion**>; but of these things we cannot now speak in detail.

1 John 2:2

and He Himself is the **propitiation <2434_ilamov hilasmos>** for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of* the whole world.

1 John 4:10

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the **propitiation <2434 ilamov hilasmos>** for our sins.

Luke 18:13

"But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, be **merciful <2433_ilaskomai hilaskomai>** to me, the sinner!'

Hebrews 2:17

Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to **make propitiation <2433 ilaskomai hilaskomai>** for the sins of the people.

Matthew 16:22

Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him, saying, "**God forbid <2436 ilewv hileos>** *it,* Lord! This shall never happen to You."

Hebrews 8:12

"FOR I WILL BE **MERCIFUL <2436 ilewv hileos>** TO THEIR INIQUITIES, AND I WILL REMEMBER THEIR SINS NO MORE."

OLD TESTAMENT

03727 בפרת (kap-po'-reth)

from 03722; **a lid** (used only of the cover of the sacred Ark):—mercy seat. from the same as 03724 a; *propitiatory:*—

NAS-mercy seat (27).

AV-mercy seat 26, mercy seatward 1; 27

- 1) mercy-seat, place of atonement
 - 1a) the golden plate of propitiation on which the High Priest sprinkled the seat 7 times on the Day of Atonement symbolically reconciling Jehovah and His chosen people 1a1) the slab of gold on top of the ark of the covenant which measured 2.5 by 1.5 cubits; on it and part of it were the two golden cherubim facing each other whose outstretched wings came together above and constituted the throne of God

Scriptures

Exodus 25:17

"You shall make a **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** of pure gold, two and a half cubits long and one and a half cubits wide.

Exodus 25:18

"You shall make two cherubim of gold, make them of hammered work at the two ends of the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**.

Exodus 25:19

"Make one cherub at one end and one cherub at the other end; you shall make the cherubim of one piece with the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** at its two ends.

Exodus 25:20

"The cherubim shall have *their* wings spread upward, covering the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** with their wings and facing one another; the faces of the cherubim are to be *turned* toward the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**.

Exodus 25:21

"You shall put the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** on top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the testimony which I will give to you.

Exodus 25:22

"There I will meet with you; and from above the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**, from between the two cherubim which are upon the ark of the testimony, I will speak to you about all that I will give you in commandment for the sons of Israel.

Exodus 26:34

"You shall put the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** on the ark of the testimony in the holy of holies.

Exodus 30:6

"You shall put this altar in front of the veil that is near the ark of the testimony, in front of the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** that is over *the ark of* the testimony, where I will meet with you.

Exodus 31:7

the tent of meeting, and the ark of testimony, and the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** upon it, and all the furniture of the tent,

Exodus 35:12

the ark and its poles, the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**, and the curtain of the screen;

Exodus 37:6

He made a **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** of pure gold, two and a half cubits long and one and a half cubits wide.

Exodus 37:7

He made two cherubim of gold; he made them of hammered work at the two ends of the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**;

Exodus 37:8

one cherub at the one end and one cherub at the other end; he made the cherubim of one piece with the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** at the two ends.

Exodus 37:9

The cherubim had *their* wings spread upward, covering the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** with their wings, with their faces toward each other; the faces of the cherubim were toward the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**.

Exodus 39:35

the ark of the testimony and its poles and the mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>;

Exodus 40:20

Then he took the testimony and put *it* into the ark, and attached the poles to the ark, and put the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** on top of the ark.

Leviticus 16:2

The LORD said to Moses: "Tell your brother Aaron that he shall not enter at any time into the holy place inside the veil, before the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** which is on the ark, or he will die; for I will appear in the cloud over the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**.

Leviticus 16:13

"He shall put the incense on the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of incense may cover the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** that is on *the ark of* the testimony, otherwise he will die.

Leviticus 16:14

"Moreover, he shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle *it* with his finger on the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** on the east *side;* also in front of the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times.

Leviticus 16:15

"Then he shall slaughter the goat of the sin offering which is for the people, and bring its blood inside the veil and do with its blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** and in front of the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>**.

Numbers 7:89

Now when Moses went into the tent of meeting to speak with Him, he heard the voice speaking to him from above the **mercy seat <03727 kapporeth>** that was on the ark of the testimony, from between the two cherubim, so He spoke to him.

1 Chronicles 28:11

Then David gave to his son Solomon the plan of the porch *of the temple,* its buildings, its storehouses, its upper rooms, its inner rooms and the room for the **mercy seat** <03727 kapporeth>;

03722 בפר kaphar (kaw-far')

(497b); denom. vb. from 03724 a; to cover over, pacify, make propitiation:— a primitive root; TWOT-1023,1024,1025,1026; v

AV-atonement 71, purge 7, reconciliation 4, reconcile 3, forgive 3, purge away 2, pacify 2, atonement...made 2, merciful 2, cleansed 1, disannulled 1, appearse 1, put off 1, pardon 1, pitch 1; 102

NAS-appease (1), appease* (1), atone (3), atoned (2), atonement is made (1), atonement shall be made (1), atonement was made (1), atoning (1), canceled (1), expiation can be made (1), forgave (1), forgive (4), forgiven (5), made atonement (3), make atonement (71), makes atonement (2), making atonement (1), pardon (1).

- 1) to cover, purge, make an atonement, make reconciliation, cover over with pitch
 - 1a) (Qal) to coat or cover with pitch
 - 1b) (Piel)
 - 1b1) to cover over, pacify, propitiate
 - 1b2) to cover over, atone for sin, make atonement for
 - 1b3) to cover over, atone for sin and persons by legal rites
 - 1c) (Pual)
 - 1c1) to be covered over

1c2) to make atonement for

1d) (Hithpael) to be covered

03722b. ¬►⊃ kaphar (498d); denom. vb. from 03724 b; to pitch (with pitch):— NAS-cover (1).

Scriptures

Genesis 6:14

"Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; you shall make the ark with rooms, and shall **cover <03722 kaphar>** it inside and out with pitch.

Genesis 32:20

and you shall say, 'Behold, your servant Jacob also is behind us.'" For he said, "I will appease <03722 kaphar> him with the present that goes before me. Then afterward I will see his face; perhaps he will accept me."

Exodus 29:33

"Thus they shall eat those things by which **atonement <03722 kaphar>** was made **<03722 kaphar>** at their ordination *and* consecration; but a layman shall not eat *them,* because they are holy.

Exodus 29:36

"Each day you shall offer a bull as a sin offering for atonement, and you shall purify the altar when you **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for it, and you shall anoint it to consecrate it.

Exodus 29:37

"For seven days you shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the altar and consecrate it; then the altar shall be most holy, *and* whatever touches the altar shall be holy.

Exodus 30:10

"Aaron shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on its horns once a year; he shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on it with the blood of the sin offering of atonement once a year throughout your generations. It is most holy to the LORD."

Exodus 30:15

"The rich shall not pay more and the poor shall not pay less than the half shekel, when you give the contribution to the LORD to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for yourselves.

Exodus 30:16

"You shall take the atonement money from the sons of Israel and shall give it for the service of the tent of meeting, that it may be a memorial for the sons of Israel before the LORD, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for yourselves."

Exodus 32:30

On the next day Moses said to the people, "You yourselves have committed a great sin; and now I am going up to the LORD, perhaps I can **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for your sin."

Leviticus 1:4

'He shall lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, that it may be accepted for him to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on his behalf.

Leviticus 4:20

'He shall also do with the bull just as he did with the bull of the sin offering; thus he shall do with it. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for them, and they will be forgiven.

Leviticus 4:26

'All its fat he shall offer up in smoke on the altar as in the case of the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings. Thus the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him in regard to his sin, and he will be forgiven.

Leviticus 4:31

'Then he shall remove all its fat, just as the fat was removed from the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall offer it up in smoke on the altar for a soothing aroma to the LORD. Thus the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him, and he will be forgiven.

Leviticus 4:35

Then he shall remove all its fat, just as the fat of the lamb is removed from the sacrifice of the peace offerings, and the priest shall offer them up in smoke on the altar, on the offerings by fire to the LORD. Thus the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him in regard to his sin which he has committed, and he will be forgiven.

Leviticus 5:6

'He shall also bring his guilt offering to the LORD for his sin which he has committed, a female from the flock, a lamb or a goat as a sin offering. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on his behalf for his sin.

Leviticus 5:10

'The second he shall then prepare as a burnt offering according to the ordinance. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on his behalf for his sin which he has committed, and it will be forgiven him.

Leviticus 5:13

'So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him concerning his sin which he has committed from one of these, and it will be forgiven him; then *the rest* shall become the priest's, like the grain offering."

Leviticus 5:16

"He shall make restitution for that which he has sinned against the holy thing, and shall add to it a fifth part of it and give it to the priest. The priest shall then **make atonement** <03722 kaphar> for him with the ram of the guilt offering, and it will be forgiven him.

Leviticus 5:18

"He is then to bring to the priest a ram without defect from the flock, according to your valuation, for a guilt offering. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him concerning his error in which he sinned unintentionally and did not know *it*, and it will be forgiven him.

Leviticus 6:7

and the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him before the LORD, and he will be forgiven for any one of the things which he may have done to incur guilt."

Leviticus 6:30

'But no sin offering of which any of the blood is brought into the tent of meeting to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** in the holy place shall be eaten; it shall be burned with fire.

Leviticus 7:7

'The guilt offering is like the sin offering, there is one law for them; the priest who **makes atonement <03722 kaphar>** with it shall have it.

Leviticus 8:15

Next Moses slaughtered *it* and took the blood and with his finger put *some of it* around on the horns of the altar, and purified the altar. Then he poured out *the rest of* the blood at the base of the altar and consecrated it, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for it.

Leviticus 8:34

"The LORD has commanded to do as has been done this day, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on your behalf.

Leviticus 9:7

Moses then said to Aaron, "Come near to the altar and offer your sin offering and your burnt offering, that you may **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for yourself and for the people; then make the offering for the people, that you may **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for them, just as the LORD has commanded."

Leviticus 10:17

"Why did you not eat the sin offering at the holy place? For it is most holy, and He gave it to you to bear away the guilt of the congregation, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for them before the LORD.

Leviticus 12:7

'Then he shall offer it before the LORD and make atonement <03722 kaphar> for her,

and she shall be cleansed from the flow of her blood. This is the law for her who bears *a child, whether* a male or a female.

Leviticus 12:8

'But if she cannot afford a lamb, then she shall take two turtledoves or two young pigeons, the one for a burnt offering and the other for a sin offering; and the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for her, and she will be clean.'"

Leviticus 14:18

while the rest of the oil that is in the priest's palm, he shall put on the head of the one to be cleansed. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on his behalf before the LORD.

Leviticus 14:19

"The priest shall next offer the sin offering and **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the one to be cleansed from his uncleanness. Then afterward, he shall slaughter the burnt offering.

Leviticus 14:20

"The priest shall offer up the burnt offering and the grain offering on the altar. Thus the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him, and he will be clean.

Leviticus 14:21

"But if he is poor and his means are insufficient, then he is to take one male lamb for a guilt offering as a wave offering to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him, and one-tenth of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil for a grain offering, and a log of oil,

Leviticus 14:29

"Moreover, the rest of the oil that is in the priest's palm he shall put on the head of the one to be cleansed, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on his behalf before the LORD.

Leviticus 14:31

"He shall offer what he can afford, the one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering, together with the grain offering. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** before the LORD on behalf of the one to be cleansed.

Leviticus 14:53

"However, he shall let the live bird go free outside the city into the open field. So he shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the house, and it will be clean."

Leviticus 15:15

and the priest shall offer them, one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on his behalf before the LORD because of his discharge.

Leviticus 15:30

'The priest shall offer the one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering. So the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on her behalf before the LORD because of her impure discharge.'

Leviticus 16:6

"Then Aaron shall offer the bull for the sin offering which is for himself, that he may make atonement <03722 kaphar> for himself and for his household.

Leviticus 16:10

"But the goat on which the lot for the scapegoat fell shall be presented alive before the LORD, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** upon it, to send it into the wilderness as the scapegoat.

Leviticus 16:11

"Then Aaron shall offer the bull of the sin offering which is for himself and **make** atonement <03722 kaphar> for himself and for his household, and he shall slaughter the bull of the sin offering which is for himself.

Leviticus 16:16

"He shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the holy place, because of the impurities of the sons of Israel and because of their transgressions in regard to all their sins; and thus he shall do for the tent of meeting which abides with them in the midst of their impurities.

Leviticus 16:17

"When he goes in to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** in the holy place, no one shall be in the tent of meeting until he comes out, that he may **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for himself and for his household and for all the assembly of Israel.

Leviticus 16:18

"Then he shall go out to the altar that is before the LORD and **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for it, and shall take some of the blood of the bull and of the blood of the goat and put it on the horns of the altar on all sides.

Leviticus 16:20

"When he finishes **atoning <03722 kaphar>** for the holy place and the tent of meeting and the altar, he shall offer the live goat.

Leviticus 16:24

"He shall bathe his body with water in a holy place and put on his clothes, and come forth and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people and **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for himself and for the people.

Leviticus 16:27

"But the bull of the sin offering and the goat of the sin offering, whose blood was

brought in to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** in the holy place, shall be taken outside the camp, and they shall burn their hides, their flesh, and their refuse in the fire.

Leviticus 16:30

for it is on this day that **atonement shall be made <03722 kaphar>** for you to cleanse you; you will be clean from all your sins before the LORD.

Leviticus 16:32

"So the priest who is anointed and ordained to serve as priest in his father's place shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>**: he shall thus put on the linen garments, the holy garments,

Leviticus 16:33

and make atonement <03722 kaphar> for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make atonement <03722 kaphar> for the tent of meeting and for the altar. He shall also make atonement <03722 kaphar> for the priests and for all the people of the assembly.

Leviticus 16:34

"Now you shall have this as a permanent statute, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the sons of Israel for all their sins once every year." And just as the LORD had commanded Moses, *so* he did.

Leviticus 17:11

'For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you on the altar to **make** atonement <03722 kaphar> for your souls; for it is the blood by reason of the life that makes atonement <03722 kaphar>.'

Leviticus 19:22

'The priest shall also **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him with the ram of the guilt offering before the LORD for his sin which he has committed, and the sin which he has committed will be forgiven him.

Leviticus 23:28

"You shall not do any work on this same day, for it is a day of atonement, to **make** atonement <03722 kaphar> on your behalf before the LORD your God.

Numbers 5:8

But if the man has no relative to whom restitution may be made for the wrong, the restitution which is made for the wrong *must go* to the LORD for the priest, besides the ram of atonement, by which **atonement is made <03722 kaphar>** for him.

Numbers 6:11

'The priest shall offer one for a sin offering and *the* other for a burnt offering, and **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him concerning his sin because of the *dead* person. And that same day he shall consecrate his head,

Numbers 8:12

"Now the Levites shall lay their hands on the heads of the bulls; then offer the one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering to the LORD, to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the Levites.

Numbers 8:19

"I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the sons of Israel, to perform the service of the sons of Israel at the tent of meeting and to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** on behalf of the sons of Israel, so that there will be no plague among the sons of Israel by their coming near to the sanctuary."

Numbers 8:21

The Levites, too, purified themselves from sin and washed their clothes; and Aaron presented them as a wave offering before the LORD. Aaron also **made atonement** <03722 kaphar> for them to cleanse them.

Numbers 15:25

'Then the priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for all the congregation of the sons of Israel, and they will be forgiven; for it was an error, and they have brought their offering, an offering by fire to the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their error.

Numbers 15:28

'The priest shall **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** before the LORD for the person who goes astray when he sins unintentionally, **making atonement <03722 kaphar>** for him that he may be forgiven.

Numbers 16:46

Moses said to Aaron, "Take your censer and put in it fire from the altar, and lay incense on it; then bring it quickly to the congregation and **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for them, for wrath has gone forth from the LORD, the plague has begun!"

Numbers 16:47

Then Aaron took *it* as Moses had spoken, and ran into the midst of the assembly, for behold, the plague had begun among the people. So he put *on* the incense and **made atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the people.

Numbers 25:13

and it shall be for him and his descendants after him, a covenant of a perpetual priesthood, because he was jealous for his God and **made atonement <03722 kaphar>** for the sons of Israel."

Numbers 28:22

and one male goat for a sin offering to make atonement <03722 kaphar> for you.

Numbers 28:30

also one male goat to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for you.

Numbers 29:5

'Offer one male goat for a sin offering, to make atonement <03722 kaphar> for you,

Numbers 31:50

"So we have brought as an offering to the LORD what each man found, articles of gold, armlets and bracelets, signet rings, earrings and necklaces, to **make atonement** <03722 kaphar> for ourselves before the LORD."

Numbers 35:33

'So you shall not pollute the land in which you are; for blood pollutes the land and no **expiation can be made <03722 kaphar>** for the land for the blood that is shed on it, except by the blood of him who shed it.

Deuteronomy 21:8

'Forgive <03722 kaphar> Your people Israel whom You have redeemed, O LORD, and do not place the guilt of innocent blood in the midst of Your people Israel.' And the bloodguiltiness shall be forgiven <03722 kaphar> them.

Deuteronomy 32:43

"Rejoice, O nations, with His people; For He will avenge the blood of His servants, And will render vengeance on His adversaries, And will **atone <03722 kaphar>** for His land and His people."

1 Samuel 3:14

"Therefore I have sworn to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned <03722 kaphar> for by sacrifice or offering forever."

2 Samuel 21:3

Thus David said to the Gibeonites, "What should I do for you? And how can I **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** that you may bless the inheritance of the LORD?"

1 Chronicles 6:49

But Aaron and his sons offered on the altar of burnt offering and on the altar of incense, for all the work of the most holy place, and to **make atonement <03722 kaphar>** for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.

2 Chronicles 29:24

The priests slaughtered them and purged the altar with their blood to **atone <03722 kaphar>** for all Israel, for the king ordered the burnt offering and the sin offering for all Israel.

2 Chronicles 30:18

For a multitude of the people, even many from Ephraim and Manasseh, Issachar and

Zebulun, had not purified themselves, yet they ate the Passover otherwise than prescribed. For Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, "May the good LORD **pardon** <03722 kaphar>