

Warm up question: Considering any kind or level of your relationships, think of one offense you made or one committed against you and share how that particular relationship changed?

**How can a sinner like me have a relationship with a Holy God?  
God provides propitiation for the forgiveness of sin.**

**I. The Holy God's anger against sin.**

*The LORD spoke to Moses after <sup>c</sup>the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they drew near before the LORD and died, <sup>2</sup> and the LORD said to Moses, "Tell Aaron your brother not to <sup>d</sup>come at anytime into the Holy Place inside the veil, before the mercy seat that is on the ark, so that he may not die. For <sup>e</sup>I will appear in the cloud over the mercy seat. (Leviticus 16:1-2)*

**II. The Holy God's instruction for Israel's atonement.**

<sup>3</sup> But in this way Aaron shall come into the Holy Place... (Leviticus 16:3)

A. The sin offering.

*<sup>11</sup> "Aaron shall present <sup>k</sup>the bull as a sin offering for himself, and shall make atonement for himself and for his house. He shall kill the bull as a sin offering for himself. <sup>14</sup> And <sup>q</sup>he shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle it with his finger on the front of the mercy seat on the east side, and in front of the mercy seat he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times. <sup>15</sup> <sup>r</sup>"Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering that is for the people and bring its blood <sup>s</sup>inside the veil and do with its blood as he did with the blood of the bull, sprinkling it over the mercy seat and in front of the mercy seat. <sup>16</sup> Thus he shall <sup>t</sup>make atonement for the Holy Place, because of the uncleannesses of the people of Israel and because of their transgressions, all their sins. And so he shall do for the tent of meeting, which dwells with them in the midst of their uncleannesses. (Leviticus 16:11, 14-16)*

B. The scapegoat.

*<sup>21</sup> And Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, and confess over it all the iniquities of the people of Israel, and all their transgressions, all their sins. And he shall <sup>y</sup>put them on the head of the goat and send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a man who is in readiness. <sup>22</sup> The goat shall <sup>z</sup>bear all*

*their iniquities on itself to a remote area, and <sup>a</sup>he shall let the goat go free in the wilderness. (Leviticus 16:21-22)*

*<sup>30</sup> For on this day shall atonement be made for you <sup>k</sup>to cleanse you. You shall be clean before the LORD from all your sins. (Leviticus 16:30)*

### **III. Jesus crucified as the sin offering and scapegoat for our atonement forever.**

*For since the law has but <sup>v</sup>a shadow <sup>w</sup>of the good things to come instead of the true form of these realities, <sup>x</sup>it can never, by the same sacrifices that are continually offered every year, make perfect those who draw near. <sup>2</sup> Otherwise, would they not have ceased to be offered, since the worshipers, having once been cleansed, would no longer have any consciousness of sins? <sup>3</sup> But <sup>y</sup>in these sacrifices <sup>z</sup>there is a reminder of sins every year. <sup>4</sup> For <sup>a</sup>it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.*

*<sup>5</sup> Consequently, <sup>b</sup>when Christ<sup>1</sup> came into the world, he said, <sup>c</sup>“Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body have you prepared for me;*

*<sup>6</sup> in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure.*

*<sup>7</sup> Then I said, ‘Behold, I have come to do your will, O God, as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.’”*

*<sup>8</sup> When he said above, “You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in<sup>c</sup> sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings” (these are offered according to the law), <sup>9</sup> then he added, <sup>d</sup>“Behold, I have come to do your will.” He does away with the first in order to establish the second.<sup>10</sup> And by that will <sup>e</sup>we have been sanctified through the offering of <sup>f</sup>the body of Jesus Christ <sup>g</sup>once for all. (Hebrews 10:1-10)*

### **IV. The Holy God is at one with us forever.**

*<sup>19</sup> <sup>p</sup>Therefore, brothers, <sup>3</sup> since we have confidence to enter <sup>q</sup>the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup> by <sup>r</sup>the new and living way that he opened for us through <sup>s</sup>the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup> and since we have <sup>t</sup>a great priest over the house of God.. (Hebrews 10:19-21)*

#### **A. Let us draw near.**

*<sup>22</sup> let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts <sup>u</sup>sprinkled clean <sup>v</sup>from an evil conscience and our bodies <sup>w</sup>washed with pure water. (Hebrews 10:22)*

#### **B. Let us hold fast.**

*<sup>23</sup> <sup>x</sup>Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for <sup>y</sup>he who promised is faithful. (Hebrews 10:23)*

C. Let us stir up one another.

<sup>24</sup> And <sup>z</sup>let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup> <sup>a</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and <sup>b</sup>all the more as you see <sup>c</sup>the Day drawing near. (Hebrews 10:24-25)