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GEN. 4.1,5.)H(B. 11;4.)

Talk about sacrifices of men of old, of Christ and of men today.

There are many reasons we could give that would show why we should make daily sacrifices, in our lives, but it seems to me the main reason is that we might please god and secure his favor.

Sacrifices have been required, and made almost from the beginning of time.

~~How this may or may not be an example~~

of a sacrifice, yet it very well could be. God took the skin of animals and made clothes for Adam and Eve.

the first example we find is that of Cain and Able. that we read about in the reading text. Gen.4;4. Heb.11;4.

Now let's check the sacrifices of Noah and his family. Made TWO kinds of sac. Before the flood. ??? world. friend After flood. burnt offering, unto the Lord of every clean beasts, and clean fouls.

Gen. 6, 7, and 8th chapters.

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Abraham was another who made a great sac. Infact one of the greatest of that time. He offered his only son, Isaac. Heb. 11;17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only degotten son.

We could name many more who offered up sac. Jobe and his friends, Moses and the Israelites. Yes there were many sac. and many kinds of sac made that is record in the old testament.

Now Let's talk a little about the greatest Sac. that was ever made. that of Christ who sac. his own life. for you and I.???
He lived here as you and I without SIN tempted maybe worse than
He suffered right up to death. but he said he did it for you and I. (read 9th + 10 ch. Heb.
First We not required Only living Sac.
Rom. 12;1. I beseech you therefore, Brethren by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sac, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

(3) Talked about sac under old Law. of Christ. sacrifice

Now what about us? Must first become a servant of righteousness. Rom.6;16,18 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves ~~servants~~ servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey, whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? But God be thanked that ye were the serv. of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

when we obey — we become serv. of right-
eousness. We are presenting our bodies
Do we love the Lord? If we do
that is a sacrifice. Why? Because if we
love him we will keep his commandments.
JN0.14;23. If a man love me he will kep
my words.

Loving the Lord is more than a
sac. Let's read Mark. 12;28,34.
And one of the scribes came, and having
heard them reasoning together, and per-
ceiving he had answered them well, ask him
saying, which is the first commandment of
all. And Jesus answered him, the first of
all the commandmentsis Hear, O Israel; the

Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: This is the first commandment. The second is like, namely, thou shalt love thy neighbour as thy self. There is none other commandment greater than these. And the scribe said unto him, well, master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he: And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love his neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt

offerings and sacrifices. And when Jesus saw that he *** answered discreetly; he said unto him, thou art not far from the kingdom of God. (how far are we from the kingdom of God?) Are we doing these commandments?

We have another duty to perform as christians , which some times we have to make some sacrifices. Heb. 10;25. Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves togather, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one anothe: and so much the more as ye see the day approaching.
We also have an example of the disciples coming together on the first day of the

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week to break bread. Acts20;7.

Now do these scriptures mean that if we dont have company or we want to attend some worldly amusement, like hunting, fish ball games we will attend services. will this please the Lord/? we read a li ttle while ago where if we love him we will keep commandments.

Should the Lord come and find us doing these worldly things Do you think he would say O that's alright , you should entertain company, or do these other things first and then attend services. Do you believe that is what he would say? I don't ~~believe~~ think you believe it any more than I do.

Matt 7;21, 23 Not every one that Sayeth

We should be at the house of the Lord at each appointed time, not only because it's our duty, but because we love the Lord for what he has done for us . died for our sins given us a law to obey that our sins be forgiven. If we obey that Law. This apart of Soc.

We should be here to study his word.2Tim 2;15 We should be here to meditate on his word Psalms 1;1,2. Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor s sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord and in his law doth he meditate day and night How can we meditate or study God's word if we dont have our minds on what is be[illegible]g

taught. But rather on the things that are going on around us.

Our worship should be asolomn worship. We should worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Psalms. 29;2. Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

The worship should be in spirit and truth. Jno. 4;23,24. But the hour cometh and now is, when the true worshipersshall worship the father in spirit and in truth. for the father seeketh such to worship him. God is a spirit;and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and truth.

Our services should be conducted decently and orderly, without confusion. 1st.Cor. 14;40. Let all things be done decently and in order. 33ed. verse. For God is not h the author of confusion, but of peace, as is in all the churches of the saints.

When we put worldly pleasures and worldly possesions before God then we sin. Matt.6; 33. But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

yes sin is a transgression of the law. 1st Jno.3;4. whosoever committeth sin trans also the law

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There are times when we sin knowingly or willingly. What is it to sin knowingly or willingly? Jas. 4:17. says, Therefore to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin. Luke 12;47,48. And that servant which knew his Lords will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes.

Jno. 9;41. Jesus said unto them. If ye were blind, ye should have no sin; but now ye say we see, therefore your sin remaineth.

(many are blinded, and continue in sin)

Jno 15;22. If I had not come and spoken n
unto them, they had not had sin. but now
they have no cloak for their sins.
Or as we might say. have no excuse foe sin.
Since christ has spoken unto us all
through the apostles, and recorded in this
book. we hav no excuse either.
Rom 1;18,20. For the wrath of God is
revealed from heaven against all ungod-
liness and unrighteousness; because that
which may be known of God is manifest
in them; for God hath showed it unto then
For the invisable things of him from the
creation of the world are clearly seen

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being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal powerand Godhead so that they are without excuse. ???

We can gain all the wealth and worldly goods in this world, and yet loose our own souls. Matt.*21; 16;26. For ~~what doeth it profit~~ what is a man profited

Sometimes our way seems rather dark

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that are made, even his eternal power and
godhead; so that they are without excuse.

There must have been a dark hour for
11 of the apostles when Judas betrayed
jesus and they learned for sure that Jesus
was to be crucified. So Jesus, in his
effort to comfort them, as well as us to-
day, saidin Jno. 14;1,3. Let not your her
heart be troubled, ye believe in God,
believe also in me. In my father's house
are many mansions, if it were not so I
would have told you. I go to prepare a place
for you. And if I go and prepare a place
for you, I will come again and receive you
unto my self that where I am there ye may
be also

Under the old law they were required to offer animals that were perfect no kind of blemishes, not even a cut or bruse. the same should be true with us as we present ourbodies, it should be without blemishes of the world or worldly things but as pure and undefiled as we can make it. This is the kind of sacrifice we should make in order to be accepted od God.

If we are making the kind of sac. that we should we can be as Paul was when he was talking to the Roman brethren in Rom. 8;35;39. Who shall seporate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation? or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

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As it is written, for thy sake we are
are killed all the day long; we are accoun
ted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay in
all these things we are conquers through h
him that loved us. For I am persuaded that
neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor
principalities, nor powers, nor things
present, nor things to come, nor height, nor
depth, nor any other creature, shall be
able to seporate us from the love of God;
which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.