

Different Offerings and Sacrifices in the Mosaic Law

Offering type	Reason	Timing	Passage	Required or voluntary
Burnt offering	General devotion, acceptance before the LORD	Presented according to the sacrificial rules; often immediately when brought	Leviticus 1; Leviticus 6:8-13	Voluntary in many cases, though some were commanded
Burnt offering	Atonement / cleansing for sin in general sacrificial framework	As needed when prescribed	Leviticus 1; Leviticus 4; Leviticus 16	Required when appointed
Burnt offering	Daily worship	Morning and evening every day	Exodus 29:38-42; Numbers 28:1-8	Required
Burnt offering	Sabbath worship	Every seventh day	Numbers 28:9-10	Required
Burnt offering	New moon / monthly worship	At the beginning of each month	Numbers 28:11-15	Required
Burnt offering	Feast offerings	At appointed feasts	Numbers 28-29; Leviticus 23	Required
Grain offering	Tribute, gratitude, worship	Brought when presenting the associated sacrifice	Leviticus 2; Leviticus 6:14-23	Often voluntary, sometimes required as accompaniment

Grain offering	Accompaniment to burnt offerings	Same time as the burnt offering	Numbers 15:1-16; Numbers 28:1-31	Required as accompaniment
Grain offering	Accompaniment to freewill or vow offerings	When the vow/freewill offering was brought	Numbers 15:1-16	Required as accompaniment
Grain offering	Priestly consecration / priestly service	At ordination and in priestly ritual	Leviticus 6:19-23; Leviticus 8	Required
Drink offering	Accompaniment to burnt offerings	Same time as the burnt offering	Numbers 15:5-10; Numbers 28:7-15	Required as accompaniment
Drink offering	Accompaniment to vow or freewill offerings	When the vow/freewill offering was brought	Numbers 15:1-16	Required as accompaniment
Drink offering	Accompaniment to feast offerings	At appointed times	Numbers 28-29	Required as accompaniment
Peace offering	Thanksgiving	When giving thanks	Leviticus 7:11-15	Voluntary
Peace offering	Fulfillment of a vow	When the vow was completed or fulfilled	Leviticus 7:16-18; Numbers 6:13-21	Voluntary, though vow-driven
Peace offering	Freewill worship	Whenever the worshiper chose to bring it	Leviticus 7:16-18	Voluntary

Peace offering	Fellowship / communion meal	When offered in worship and shared by worshiper and priests	Leviticus 3; Leviticus 7:11-21	Voluntary in many cases
Sin offering	Unintentional sin by an individual	As soon as the sin became known	Leviticus 4:1-35; Leviticus 5:1-13	Required
Sin offering	Unintentional sin by the congregation	After the sin was recognized	Leviticus 4:13-21	Required
Sin offering	Purification after childbirth	After the days of purification were completed	Leviticus 12:6-8	Required
Sin offering	Purification from leprosy / skin disease	After cleansing procedures were completed	Leviticus 14:10-32	Required
Sin offering	Purification from bodily uncleanness	After cleansing, according to the law	Leviticus 15	Required
Sin offering	Day of Atonement	Annually, on the appointed day	Leviticus 16	Required
Guilt offering	Trespass against holy things	When guilt was recognized, with restitution	Leviticus 5:14-19; Leviticus 6:1-7	Required
Guilt offering	Fraud, theft, false dealing, oppression, false oath	When guilt was recognized, with restitution	Leviticus 6:1-7	Required

Guilt offering	Certain purification cases	After cleansing, in some ritual restoration contexts	Leviticus 14:12-18	Required
Guilt offering	Nazirite contamination / restoration-related cases	At the completion or interruption of the vow process	Numbers 6:9-12, 13-21	Required when applicable
Whole burnt offering with grain and drink	Congregational unintentional sin	After the error was recognized	Numbers 15:22-29	Required
Freewill burnt/grain offerings	Voluntary worship or special devotion	Whenever brought willingly	Leviticus 22:18-23; Numbers 15:1-16	Voluntary
Vow offerings	Fulfilling a vow	When the vow was fulfilled	Leviticus 7:16-18; Numbers 15:1-16	Voluntary, but binding once vowed
Firstfruits / harvest-related offerings	Thanksgiving for harvest and provision	At the harvest appointed time	Leviticus 23:9-22; Numbers 15:17-21	Required when appointed
New moon and festival offerings	Calendar worship and national devotion	At set times in Israel's sacred calendar	Numbers 28-29	Required