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- **Not the same as what pleases man**
 - His way are not our ways -Is. 55:8-9
 - Esteemed to men is abomination to God - Luke 16:15
 - Balak – Number 23:27
 - Job 6:8-9
- **Whatever He pleases**
 - Psalm 135:6, 115:3
 - “to incline to”
- **Why?**
 - He is Sovereign
 - He is God, we are men
 - Because
 - Romans 9:20

1. His Son



- **“My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased”**
 - **In His early years**
 - **Obedient child, favor with God - Luke 2:51,52**
 - **At Jesus’ baptism – Luke 3:22**
 - **“You”**
 - **In His manor of life – Isaiah 42:1-4, Mat. 12:18**
 - **Not quarrel, nor cry out**
 - **Gentle**
 - **Considers God’s timing**
 - **In His ministry**
 - **On the Mountain – II Peter 1:17, Mat. 17**
 - **“This”**

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“Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams”

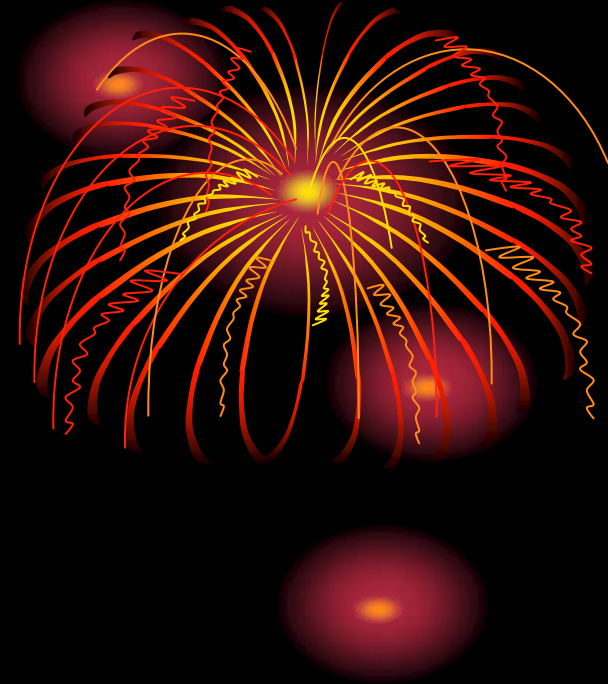
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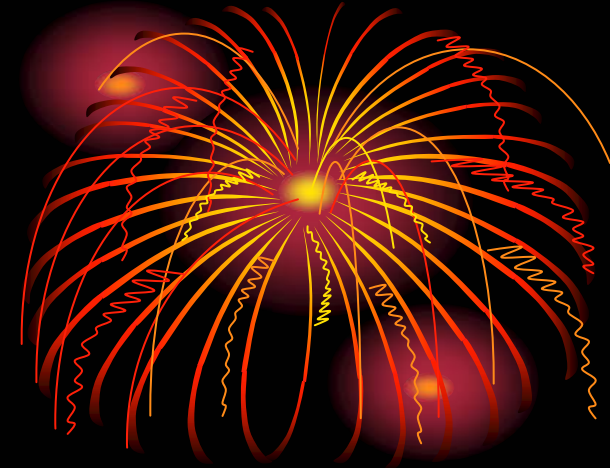
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“In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin you had no pleasure.”



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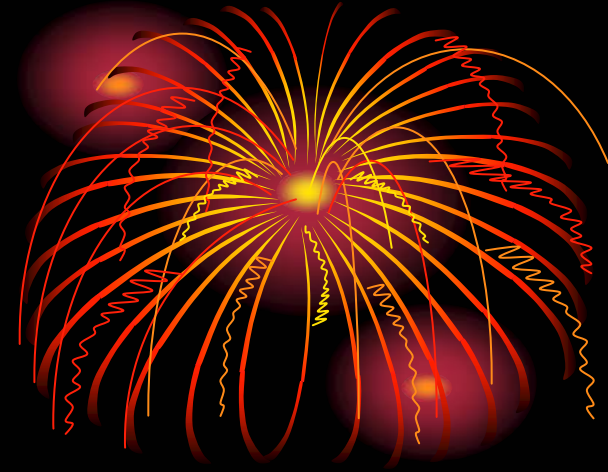
**“I desire mercy
(faithfulness/loyalty) and not
sacrifice”, and the knowledge of
God more than burnt offerings.”**

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 - **Desire – same word as Is. 53 & I Sam 15**
 - **‘Mercy’ = kindness towards God – Micah 6:6-8**

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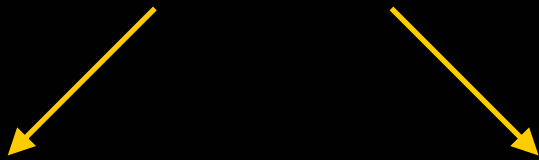
“Will the Lord be pleased with a thousand rams or ten thousand rivers of oil? ... what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy (loving-kindness) and to walk humble with your God”

1. His Son



- **If God desires Loyalty/Faithfulness/Mercy, how could God say “Bruising” Jesus pleased Him? – Isaiah 53:5,10**
 - **Genesis 3:15 – it was promised**
 - **The saving of mankind Pleased Him – Is. 53:5,10**
 - **The obedience of Jesus Pleased Him – Heb. 5:8**

WORD of GOD



OBEDIENCE

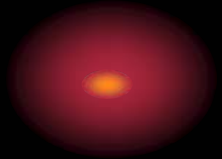
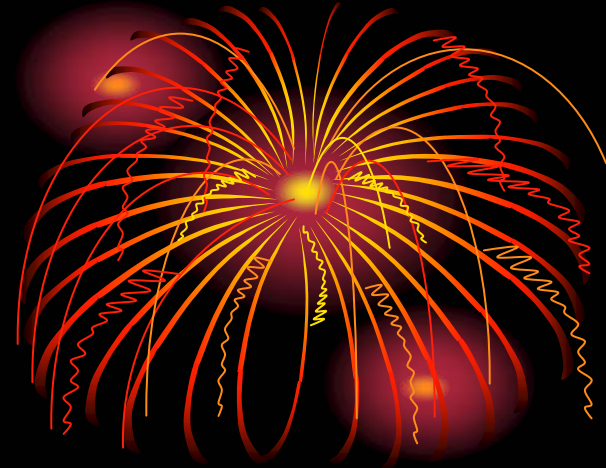
DISOBEDIENCE

(Sin)



SACRIFICE

(Justice)



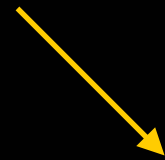
Accountability of Blame and Guilt

2. Gospel Message



- **I Corinthians 1:21**
 - **Foolishness of what is preached**
 - **The message saves men who believe**
 - **Answer of the message is baptism v1:17**
 - **It does not matter who does the baptizing**
 - **I Peter 3:21 'Answer' of a clean conscience**

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OBEDIENCE
(GOSPEL MESSAGE)

DISOBEDIENCE
(All Have sinned Rom. 3:23)



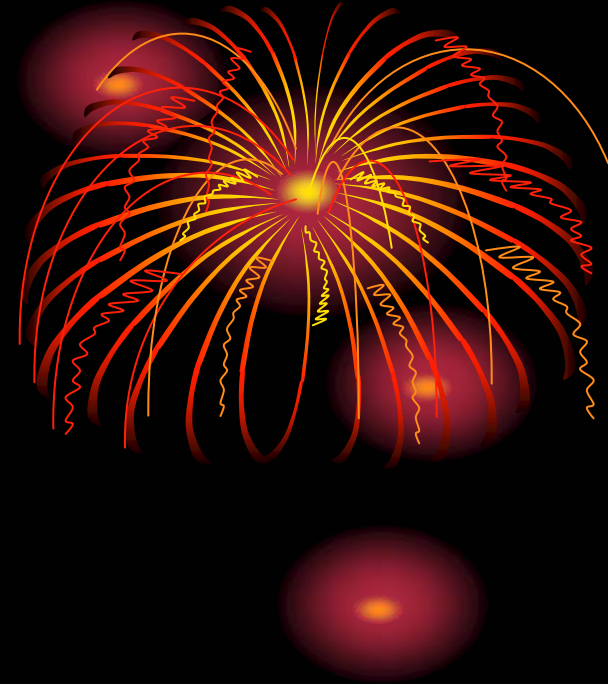
SACRIFICE
(Jesus Crucified, Buried, Resurrected)



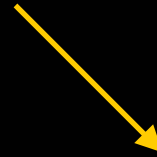
FELLOWSHIP

3. Our lives

- **Romans 12:1-2**
 - **Acceptable**
- **Hebrews 13:16**
 - **Sacrifice praise**
 - **Sacrifice of doing good**
 - **Sacrifice of sharing**
- **Proverb 16:7**
 - **Peace between enemies**
- **Proverb 23:15**
 - **Our mouths & Hearts in wisdom**



WORD of GOD



OBEDIENCE
(GOSPEL MESSAGE)

DISOBEDIENCE



MERCY/LOYALTY
(OUR LIVES)

SACRIFICE
(HIS SON)



FELLOWSHIP

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**“I desire Mercy and not
Sacrifice”**



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- 1. His Son**
- 2. Gospel Message**
- 3. Our Lives**

Conclusion

- **Mercy applied to your sin by the sacrifice of Christ**
- **Blood of Jesus cleansing the conscience of the Baptized Believer**
- **Loyalty & Faithfulness with the sacrifice of Our Lives**



