



OVERVIEW

The Torah addresses Aharon and his sons to teach them additional laws relating to their service. The ashes of the korban olah -- the offering burnt on the altar throughout the night -- are to be removed from the area by the kohen after he changes his special linen clothing. The olah is brought by someone who forgot to perform a positive commandment of the Torah. The kohen retains the skin. The fire on the altar must be kept constantly ablaze. The korban mincha is a meal offering of flour, oil and spices. A handful is burned on the altar and a kohen eats the remainder before it becomes leaven.

The Parsha describes the special korbanot to be offered by the kohen gadol each day, and by Aharon's sons and future descendants on the day of their inauguration. The chatat, the korban brought after an accidental transgression, is described, as are the laws of slaughtering and sprinkling the blood of the asham guilt-korban. The details of shelamim, various peace korbanot, are described, including the prohibition against leaving uneaten until morning the remains of the todah, the thanks-korban. All sacrifices must be burned after they may no longer be eaten. No sacrifice may be eaten if it was slaughtered with the intention of eating it too late. Once they have become ritually impure, korbanot may not be eaten and should be burned. One may not eat a korban when he is ritually impure. Blood and chelev, forbidden animal fats, are prohibited to be eaten. Aharon and his sons are granted the breast and shank of every korban shelamim. The inauguration ceremony for Aharon, his sons, the Mishkan and all of its vessels is detailed.



THE KOHEN IS ALWAYS A ROOKIE

The pasukim in the parsha teach the laws of the removal of the ashes: "*The Kohen shall don his fitted linen Tunic, and he shall don linen pants on his flesh; he shall raise the ashes which the fire will consume of the olah-offering on the Mizbayach, and place it next to the Mizbayach. He shall remove his garments and shall wear other garments, and shall remove the ashes to the outside of the camp, to a pure place.*" [Vayikra 1:3-4]

The Beis HaMikdash was a very busy place. Starting with the offering of the morning Tamid sacrifice throughout the day, there was constant activity on the Mizbayach as the various private or communal offerings were brought. People who own their own business and office managers know that there is always a set routine that begins the start of each business day. Whether it be turning on the heat or the air-conditioning or flipping on the computer or other equipment, there is always a standard procedure that is the first thing that is done to begin the daily cycle of any busy operation. The first thing that they did in the Beis HaMikdash was to remove the previous days' ashes to outside the camp.

This was not just a matter of practicality -- that if they did not remove the ashes each day, the Mizbayach would get stuffed up. There may well have been room to accumulate several days' worth of ashes before cleaning out the Mizbayach. Nevertheless, this service of "Terumas HaDeshen" (Literally, 'the offering of the ashes') was the first thing that the Kohen did in the Beis HaMikdash every single morning.

Rav Samson Raphael Hirsch sees great symbolism in this. The message of the Terumas HaDeshen, he says, is that every day is a fresh beginning. One must begin anew, as it were, every single day. In matters of spirituality there is no resting on one's laurels, no such thing as saying "yesterday we had a banner day in the Beis HaMikdash." Yesterday is gone. Today is a new beginning. There is no concept of relaxing -- of being able to "take it a little easy today" because I accomplished so much yesterday. Each day we wipe the slate clean and start over.

In Rav Hirsch's words: "The thought of what has already been accomplished can be the death of that which is still to be accomplished. Woe unto him who, with smug self-complacency, thinks he can rest on his laurels, on what he has already achieved, and who does not meet the task of every fresh day with full fresh devotion as if it were the first day of his life's work! Every trace of yesterday's sacrifice is to be removed from the hearth on the

Mizbayach so that the service of the new day can be started on completely fresh ground." This is a powerful statement.

This is the message of the Terumas HaDeshen: "A new day, a new beginning. Today you are a rookie again. You must prove yourself again." This is why the daily Temple Service that symbolically represents all Divine Service always begins with taking out yesterday's ashes.

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