



When Leaders Atone • Parshat Shmini

And when we opened the book of Numbers, we found a collection of people and people who had failed. We had heard the old saying: "What are you thinking, I have done this and that, and I have failed in my mission." The message is to help people take a meaningful look at themselves and accept their responsibility of being hidden in failure. But not always. Sometimes failure is just a learning experience that happens again and again.

In the ancient world, failure was often acknowledged and atoned for, in the giving of a sacrifice. A sacrifice could not be eaten, and the animal was left alone. When we read the story of the golden calf, we all mean that someone is leading people to a point of personal impotence, a belief in an ideal that is unreachable. On the other hand, the giving of a sacrifice is meaningful.

The lesson of all the sacrifices in *Vayikra*, the book of Leviticus, is a high-level one. Moshe Halbeitel, in his book *On Sacrifice*, explains that in the case of a sacrifice, "it is an offering of an animal, in the sense of a sacrifice." The offering is not like a hamburger. In a hamburger, the change in the offering is the offering itself, when the occasion calls for it.

It will do the same for me as a person of no moral character. It is an offering of moral capital. When a person gives a gift to God, it is an acknowledgment of the responsibility of the offering. We give a gift to people who are in need, and we give a gift to God for the good of the world. We give a gift to God for the good of the world. We give a gift to God for the good of the world. We give a gift to God for the good of the world. We give a gift to God for the good of the world. We give a gift to God for the good of the world.

To avoid rejection in the giving of a sacrifice, we can give it with a clean heart. The sacrifice is made in the book of *Vayikra*, and it is a sacrifice to God. The offering is made in the book of *Vayikra*, and it is a sacrifice to God. The offering is made in the book of *Vayikra*, and it is a sacrifice to God. The offering is made in the book of *Vayikra*, and it is a sacrifice to God. The offering is made in the book of *Vayikra*, and it is a sacrifice to God.

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