

THE WHOLE COUNSEL OF GOD

**A Journey Through the
Old Testament**

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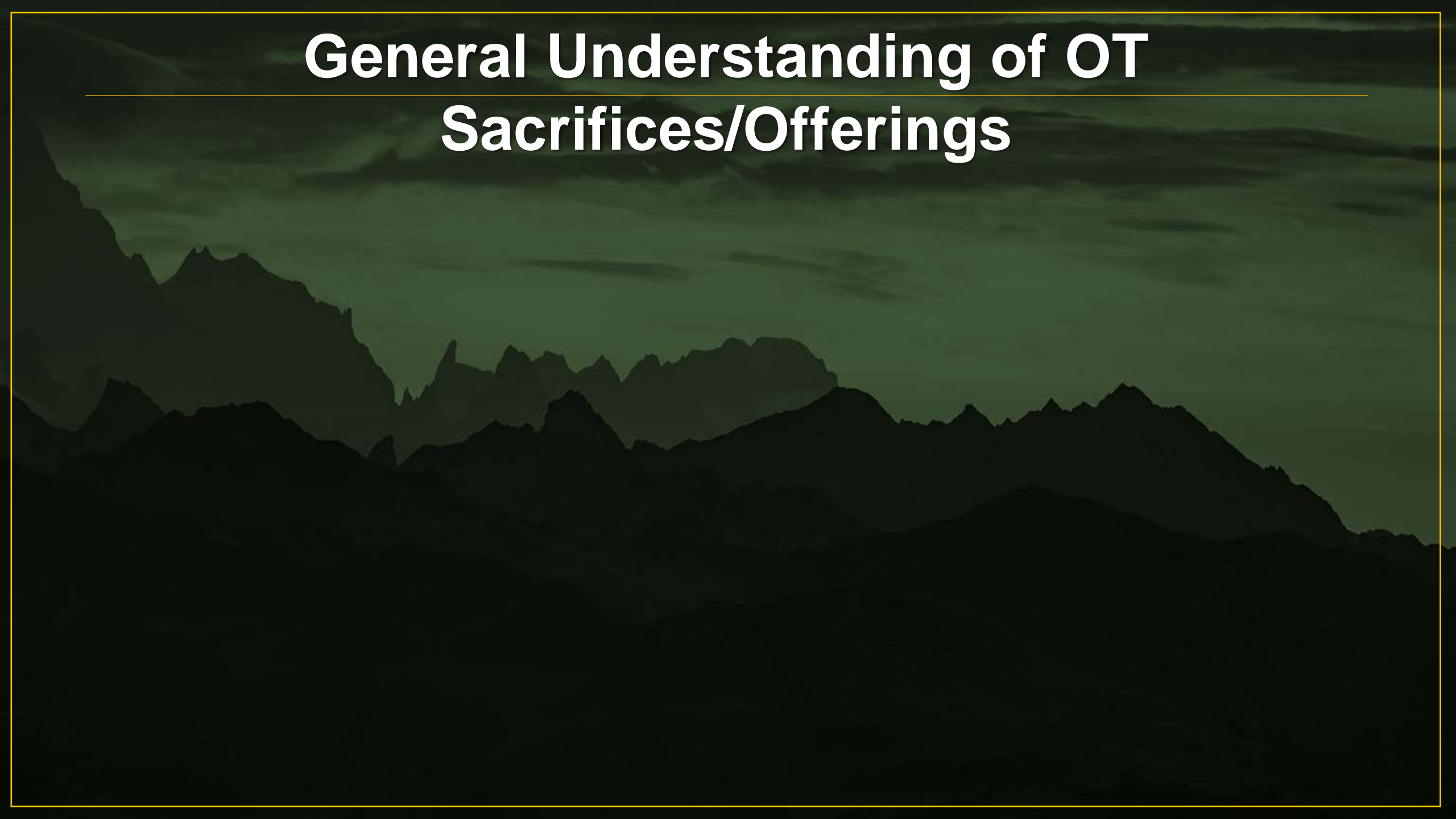
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**8 When you offer blind animals for sacrifice, is it not wrong?
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5 Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said,

"Sacrifices and offerings You have not desired, but a body have You prepared for me;

6 in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure.

7 Then I said, 'Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God,

as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.'" [Psalm

40:6–8]

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The greatness of the sacrifice had to correspond with the greatness of the one who offered it.

Romans 8

31 What then shall we say in response to these things?

If God is for us, who can be against us?

32 He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him

up for us all, how will He not also, along with Him, freely give us all things?

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