







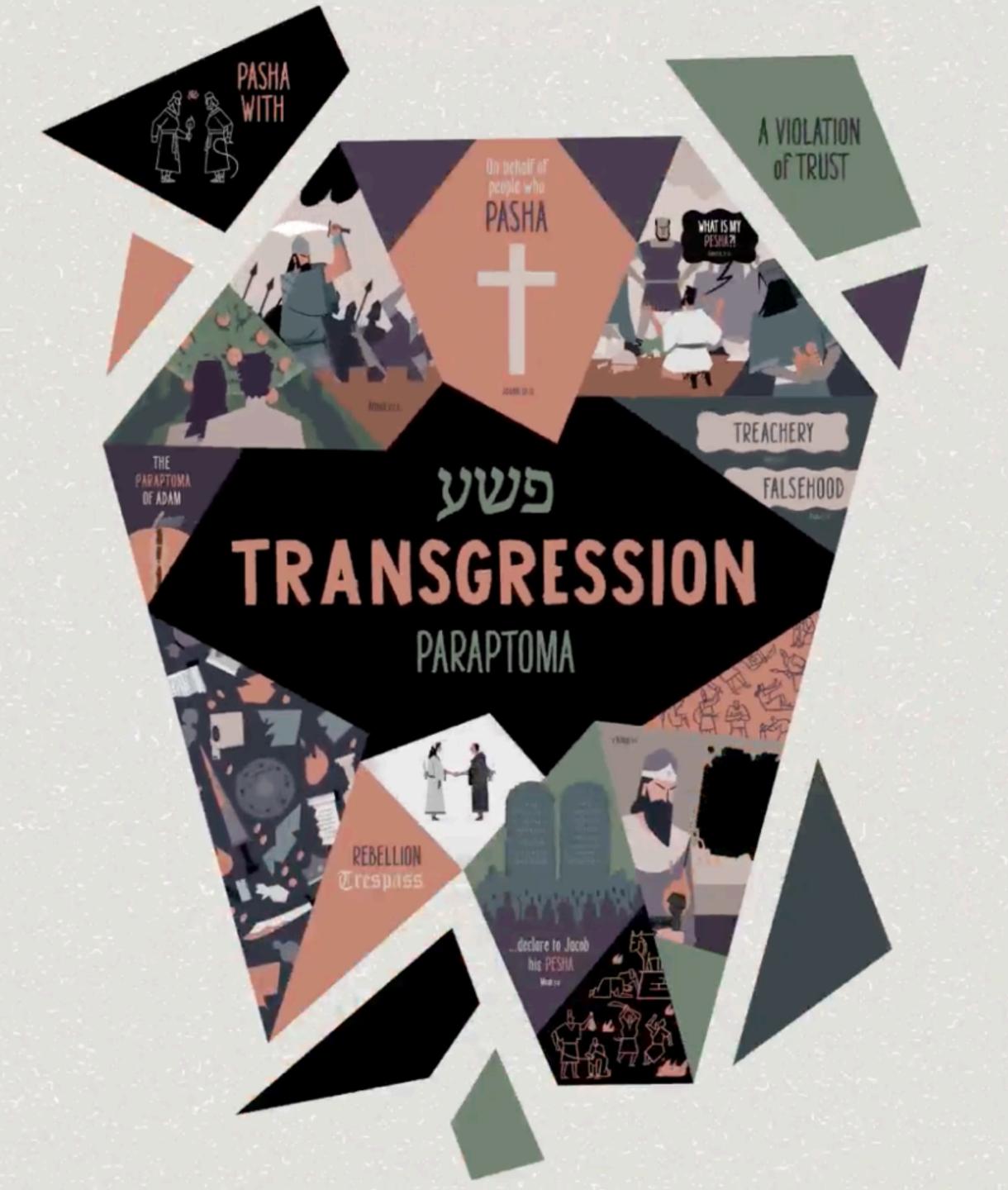


18 "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

19 "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. 20 You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother." 21 And he said, "All these I have kept from my youth." 22 When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."









Sin/Iniquity/Transgression affects all of our relationships, our communities, and our whole world.

1 The Lord called Moses and spoke to him from the tent of meeting, saying, 2 "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, When any one of you brings an offering to the Lord, you shall bring your offering of livestock from the herd or from the flock. 3 "If his offering is a burnt offering from the herd, he shall offer a male without blemish. He shall bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting, that he may be accepted before the Lord. 4 He shall lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.

Atonement

- * "at-onement" reconciliation, restoration
- * kaphar/kippur "to cover"

Atoning Sacrifices

Sacrifices that cover our debt, our sin, for the purpose of reconciliation and restoration of our relationship with God.

The sacrifices were relational, not transactional.



9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

21 Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" 22 Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

7 "But if he cannot afford a lamb, then he shall bring to the Lord as his compensation for the sin that he has committed two turtledoves or two pigeons...10 And the priest shall make atonement for him for the sin that he has committed, and he shall be forgiven. 11 "But if he cannot afford two turtledoves or two pigeons, then he shall bring as his offering for the sin that he has committed a tenth of an ephah of fine flour for a sin offering... 13 Thus the priest shall make atonement for him for the sin which he has committed in any one of these things, and he shall be forgiven.

17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.



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4 But Esau ran to meet Jacob and embraced him; he threw his arms around his neck and kissed him. And they wept.

10 For to see your face is like seeing the face of God, now that you have received me favorably.

"2 He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world."

"10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins."

"6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

"18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit." God ran.

