

HOW TO PRAY

[The Word of God (Scripture) cannot be broken. - Jn 10:35]

Exodus 30:34

[The Incense] Then the LORD said to Moses, “Take for yourself spices, **stacte and onycha and galbanum, spices with pure frankincense**; there shall be an equal part of each.

THIS INCENSE COULD ONLY BE BURNED BEFORE THE LORD IN THE TABERNACLE OR TEMPLE. IT WAS FORBIDDEN TO BE BURNED ANYWHERE ELSE. THE FIRE TO IGNITE THE INCENSE HAD TO COME FROM THE ALTAR OF BURNT OFFERING OR IT WOULD BE “STRANGE FIRE” WHICH WAS FORBIDDEN. THAT ALTAR WAS WHERE THE BLOOD WAS SHED FOR SINS.



Frankincense (also known as olibanum, Hebrew: לבונה [levona], Arabic: al-lubān) is an aromatic resin used in incense and perfumes, obtained from trees of the genus *Boswellia* in the family Burseraceae, particularly *Boswellia sacra*

Stacte noun **stac·te** | \ 'stak-tē \

- a sweet spice used by the ancient Jews in preparing incense

Middle English *stacten*, from Latin *stacte*, from Greek *staktē*, from feminine of *staktosoozing* out in drops, from *stazein* to drip

Onycha noun

- a nail; claw; hoof, (Heb. sheheleth; [Exodus 30:34](#)), a Latin word applied to the operculum, i.e., the claw or nail of the strombus or wing-shell, a univalve common in the Red Sea. The opercula of these shell-fish when burned emit a strong odour "like castoreum." This was an ingredient in the sacred incense

Galbanum noun **gal·ba·num** | \ 'gal-bə-nəm , 'göl- \

- a yellowish to green or brown aromatic bitter gum resin derived from any of several Asian plants (such as *Ferula galbaniflua*) and used in incense

SCRIPTURE EQUATES THE INCENSE TO THE PRAYERS OF BELIEVERS

Revelation 5:8

When He had taken the book, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each one holding a harp and golden bowls full of **incense, which are the prayers of the saints.**

Philippians 4:6-7 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

⁶ Be anxious for nothing [Frankincense], but in everything by prayer [Stacte] and supplication [Galbanum] with thanksgiving [Onycha] let your requests be made known to God.

THE FRANKINCENSE REPRESENTS LAYING DOWN ALL ANXIETY. IF YOU HAVE 30 MINUTES TO PRAY YOU MAY HAVE TO SPEND 20 MINUTES GIVING YOUR ANXIETY TO GOD. PRAYER WITH ANXIETY IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

STACTE REPRESENTS SIMPLE PRAYER, TALKING TO GOD. THIS INGREDIENT DRIPED FROM THE TREE. IT WAS EASY TO GATHER.

GALBANUM HAD TO BE EXTRACTED FROM THE PLANT. IT WAS HARDER TO GATHER LIKE SUPPLICATION IS HARDER THAN SIMPLE PRAYER.

ONYCHA REQUIRED THAT A SEA CREATURE GIVE UP ITS SHELL OR DEFENSE. THIS REPESENTS THANKSGIVING BEFORE THE ANSWER TO PRAYER IS GIVEN. THANKSGIVING IS A DISPLAY OF FAITH. YOU ARE HELPLESS TO DEFEND YOURSELF IN THIS TO UNBELIEVERS.

⁷ And the peace of God [first answer to prayer], which surpasses all ^[a]comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds [while you wait for it] in Christ Jesus

THE FIRST ANSWER TO PRAYER IS THE PEACE OF GOD. WHEN YOU RECEIVE IT YOU CAN STOP PRAYING.

GOD'S PEACE KEEPS YOUR MIND FROM WORRYING AND YOU HEART (EMOTIONS) FROM BEING AFRAID.

