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¹⁶ For You do not delight in sacrifice, otherwise I would give it; You are not pleased with burnt offering. ¹⁷ The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; A broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

FOCAL TRUTH: A broken-hearted sinner is an excellent thing to God.

Observations

- 1. <u>God rejects</u> man's efforts to save himself from his sin. Ps. 51:16
- <u>God refuses</u> man's religious ceremonies performed to save himself from his sin. – Ps. 51:16
- <u>God delights</u> in the sacrifices of the broken and crushed in heart for sin. Ps. 51:17
 <u>God loves</u> the broken and crushed in heart for sin. Ps. 51:17

Things to Remember 1. Only God can break a hard heart. 2. God delights in the broken-hearted. 3. A tender heart is a Spirit-filled heart. 4. Brokenness in sin brings closeness with God. Ps. 34:18 – The Lord is close to the broken hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. 5. The broken-hearted are blessed by God. Ps. 147:3 – He heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds. 6. Acceptable service to God comes in brokenness before God.

Daily Use:

 Don't be afraid to admit your hard-heartedness to God.

2. Remember God is not interested in religious works to gain forgiveness of sin.

3. Come to the Lord Jesus - only He can forgive your sin.

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