エレミヤ書7章21節における「いけにえ拒否」

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ABSTRACT Nobuyoshi KIUCHI, "The 'repudiation of sacrifice' in Jer 7:21." The meaning of Jer 7:21-23 has baffled commentators. While it is agreed that the passage as a whole emphasizes the importance of obedience as opposed to a mere formal offering of sacrifices, the exact meaning of the passage still eludes exegetes. This article takes up J. Milgrom's recent view that the burnt offering and the peace offering mentioned in v. 21 are individual and voluntary in character, and that those kinds of sacrifice were never commanded to be offered at Sinai, as v. 22 rightly states.

It is argued in this paper that Milgrom's view of the character of the sacrifices mentioned here is basically right, but that this is not the point of the passage. First, the fact that the order to eat the meat of the burnt offering contradicts the prescription in Leviticus suggests that the command in v. 21 ought to be taken as ironical. Furthermore, it is suggested that not only is it ironical, the command reflects the wrath of God against the blatant disregard of the sacrificial law .