

Leviticus

The book of Leviticus is about _____.

It deals mostly with the Levitical Priesthood, the services of the priests, and the law of sacrifice. In it, we find the different sacrifices God instituted in Israel. These all are pictures of the sacrifice of Christ on the cross.

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God is the Author – II Timothy 3:16

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Moses is the writer of this book.

Outline

- I. The Way to God (1-10)
- II. The Walk With God (11-20)
- III. The Worship of God (21-24:9)
- IV. The Witness to God (24:10-27:34)

Leviticus is to Exodus what the _____ are to the gospels. In exodus, God brings His people out of Egypt, while in Leviticus He works at getting Egypt out of His people. Exodus starts with _____, Leviticus begins with _____. Exodus is a book of deliverance, while Leviticus is a book of dedication.

This book is written to Israel in general, but to the _____ in particular.

Keywords

1. Atonement (49 times)
2. Sacrifice (counting “offering” and “oblations”, 300 times)
3. Holy (87 times)

Key Phrase

Leviticus 11:44, “Be ye holy, for I am holy.”

Key Verse

Leviticus 17:11, “For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.”

The only way Israel could enjoy their liberty, was to be in _____ with God. Leviticus reveals to them how they could be in fellowship with Him.

We read of laws for Israel to regulate their lives and set them apart from other nations. We recognize in this book the holiness of God and the insistence upon His people to be holy. We also see a system of sacrifices that shows God's way of _____.

Many of the truths we find in Leviticus are _____. Many of the truths taught have already been fulfilled. The book of _____ in the New Testament testifies to that fact. Still, some of these types will not be fulfilled until the _____ of Christ. The teaching of some of the "feasts" fall into this category.

I. The Way to God

There were _____ major offerings that were required under the law. These five were divided into two main groups. The first three were _____ offerings that were used for _____ fellowship with God. They were:

1. The Burnt Offering
2. The Meat Offering
3. The Peace Offering

The other two were _____ offerings that were used for the purpose of _____ broken fellowship. They were:

1. The Sin Offering
2. The Trespass Offering

God gives all five of these at least a chapter to themselves.

- A. The Burnt Offering (Leviticus 1): Type of Christ who offered Himself to God. He was willing to die to satisfy the Father. This offering was totally burnt and was used in worship. It represents that "all" is for God. It was to be a male lamb, of the first year and without blemish.
- B. The Meat Offering (Leviticus 2): Another type of Christ as He gives to God what satisfies Him (God). This was not the means of atonement, but a gift of sweet savor to God.

There were four staples used in this offering.

1. _____ - pressed and ground fine
2. _____ - type of the Holy Spirit
3. _____ - when burned it would put off a sweet fragrance
4. _____ - preserves against corruption, a beautiful type of grace

While the Burnt Offering was totally burnt, this offering was not. This offering was totally consumed by the priests. This is a picture of Christ satisfying our needs.

- C. The Peach Offering (Leviticus 3): This pictures sweet communion between God and men, and also men with one another. It is also a type of Christ who became our peace. Christ is the Prince of Peace.

Note: This is the middle of five offerings. The first two is definitely pointing _____ and the last two points _____. In this Peace Offering, there is a reconciliation between God and men. This only comes through Christ.

- D. The Sin Offering (Leviticus 4): This typifies Christ as He died for our sinful nature. In other words, we are all born _____ and there had to be a sacrifice to _____ us to God. Christ is that sacrifice. In the Old Testament economy, this Sin Offering would cover sin only for a period of time. In Christ's sacrifice, all who trust Him as Savior have their sin not covered for a time, but removed from them forever. They become _____, which means as if I were never a sinner.
- E. The Trespass Offering (Leviticus 5-7): We see in this Sin Offering, Christ died for us, while in this offering He dies for our sins. In this, we understand that while we are saved, we are not perfect and we still sin. In Christ, we can receive forgiveness for these sins and faults. (John 1:9) "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Through Christ our fellowship can be restored with God.

Concluding thoughts on these offerings.

While these offerings were demanded by God, He made a way for all to be able to afford them. While the wealthy would bring an _____, the poor could bring a _____. Solomon, with all of his wealth, offered 22,000 oxen and 120,000 sheep at the dedication of the Temple. Mary, the mother of our Lord, offered a pair of turtledoves for her purification for she was poor.

In the New Testament book of _____, we are told that these sacrifices were only for temporary purposes. They would have to be repeated over and over again. But when Christ came, He died "once for all" and satisfied completely the requirement for the forgiveness of sins. Everyone that has ever been saved, has done so "by grace through faith." The Old Testament saints by looking forward to Calvary, and the New Testament saints to this day by looking back at Calvary.

In chapters 8-10, the priesthood is dealt with. The _____ was to represent the people to God and God to the people. It was a priesthood for a people already redeemed. This priesthood was only _____ and would be done away with when the "better priesthood of Christ" came. Hebrews goes into detail about this.

The first official priest for Israel was _____. He and Moses, his brother, were from the tribe of _____. We see some of the role, functions and obligations of the priests in these chapters as well as others.