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# The Burnt Offering - Leviticus 1:1-17

*Topics:* Atonement, Gifts, Holiness, Sacrifice

## Open It

1. What type of flower smells best to you?
- \* 2. How do you prepare for important meetings or gatherings?

## Explore It

3. Where did the Lord speak to Moses? (1:1)
4. From where are animals for the offering to be brought? (1:2)
5. What type of animal from the herd does the Lord require for an offering? (1:3)
- \* 6. What was the purpose of the burnt offering? (1:4)
7. Where was the blood of a young bull to be sprinkled? (1:5)
- \* 8. How was the burnt offering to be prepared? (1:6)
- \* 9. Who was in charge of preparing the offering on the altar? (1:7-8)
10. What is said to be pleasing to the Lord? (1:9)
11. What type of animal from the flock did the Lord require for an offering? (1:10)
12. Where was an offering from the flock supposed to be slaughtered? (1:11)
13. Who arranged the cut pieces of the sacrifice? (1:12)
14. What part of the sacrifice was supposed to be washed? (1:13)
15. What types of birds were to be made for a burnt offering? (1:14)
16. How was a bird supposed to be prepared for sacrifice? (1:15-17)

## Get It

17. What types of personal sacrifices are difficult for you to make?
18. What does a person usually feel when everyone else is prepared for an event except him or her?
19. What might be a few reasons God gives such specific details in preparing sacrifices?
20. What are some ways we can please God today?
21. How are we sometimes reluctant to give God our very best?
- \* 22. What are examples of when we don't do things wholeheartedly?
- \* 23. How important was it for the priests to be thoroughly prepared in offering sacrifices?

## Apply It

- \* 24. How can you give God your very best this week in all you do?
25. What is something you can sacrifice today that others will benefit from?

# The Grain Offering - Leviticus 2:1-16

*Topics:* Covenant, Fruit, Honor, Remembering, Respect

## Open It

1. When you go to a restaurant, how do you like your food prepared?
- \* 2. What kinds of gifts have you received that you never really wanted?

## Explore It

3. What type of grain offering did the Lord want to receive? (2:1)
- \* 4. Who was supposed to present the offering to God? (2:2)
5. Who received the remainder of the grain offering? (2:3)
6. Of what were baked grain offerings to consist? (2:4)
7. How was a grain offering made on a griddle supposed to be prepared? (2:5-6)
8. Of what were grain offerings cooked in a pan to be made? (2:7)
9. Where was the priest supposed to take the grain offerings? (2:8)
- \* 10. What was produced from the grain offering that is pleasing to the Lord? (2:9)
11. What was the most holy part of the offering? (2:10)
12. What ingredients were not supposed to be in a grain offering? (2:11)
13. For what purpose could honey or yeast be brought to the Lord? (2:12)
14. How were all the grain offerings to be seasoned? (2:13)
15. If a grain offering of firstfruits was brought to the Lord, how was it prepared? (2:14-15)
- \* 16. What was added to the grain offerings? (2:16)

## Get It

- \* 17. How was God pleased by the Israelites' bringing offerings to Him?
- \* 18. What does this passage say about presenting offerings that are like pleasing fragrances?
19. How is it that things that come into contact with God become holy?
20. How does the verse "Man does not live bread alone" (see Luke 4:4) relate to the grain offering here?
21. What is a popular perfume in stores today?
22. What is the purpose of a pleasing fragrance?
23. In what ways can our lives be a pleasing offering to the Lord?
24. How can our lives be a fragrance to people who don't know Christ?

## Apply It

- \* 25. In what specific way can you do something that you know pleases God this week?
26. How can your life be a gift to others day by day?

## The Fellowship Offering - Leviticus 3:1-17

*Topics:* Fellowship, Law, Preparation, Sacrifice

### Open It

- \* 1. How do you like your steak cooked?
- 2. What do you do to stay in good physical shape?
- 3. What is your favorite type of fatty food?

### Explore It

- 4. How was a fellowship animal presented to the Lord? (3:1)
- 5. Where was a fellowship animal to be slaughtered? (3:2)
- \* 6. From where was the fat of the animal removed? (3:3-4)
- 7. Who was responsible to burn the fat at the altar? (3:5)
- 8. What type of lamb was to be presented to the Lord? (3:6-7)
- 9. Where were Aaron's sons supposed to sprinkle the blood of the lamb? (3:8)
- \* 10. What parts of the lamb were cut off as part of the fellowship offering? (3:9-10)
- 11. What was the offering considered to be on the altar? (3:11)
- 12. What happened when a goat was offered to the Lord? (3:12-13)
- 13. What organs were burned in the fire to the Lord? (3:14-15)
- \* 14. What part of the offering belonged to the Lord? (3:16)
- 15. The Israelites were commanded not to eat what parts of the fellowship offering? (3:17)

### Get It

- 16. In what way did God not want the Israelites to become lazy when they offered a sacrifice to Him?
- 17. Why do we live in such a fitness crazed society?
- \* 18. What might be some causes of physical obesity?
- \* 19. How can Christians become spiritually obese?
- 20. What does this passage teach you about the importance of offering sacrifice to the Lord?
- 21. Why would God be so concerned about how sacrifices were prepared?
- 22. How do we become lazy about our diets during the holidays?
- 23. What are ways we can offer our lives as living sacrifices to God?

### Apply It

- \* 24. What is a specific way God is calling you to get your heart in spiritual shape this week?
- 25. What kind of spiritual fat can you ask Jesus to cut away from your life today?

## The Sin Offering - Leviticus 4:1-5:13

*Topics:* Community, Disobedience, Guilt, Law, Leadership, Sin

### Open It

1. What are ways the media takes advantage of public figures?
- \* 2. What makes juicy gossip almost irresistible?

### Explore It

3. What did the Lord tell Moses to say to the Israelites? (4:1-2)
4. What happened if an anointed priest sinned? (4:3-4)
5. Where was the priest to take the blood of the slaughtered bull? (4:5-6)
6. How was the priest to carry out the remainder of the offering? (4:7-10)
7. What was done with all the rest of the bull? (4:11-12)
- \* 8. Who was responsible if the whole Israelite community sinned unintentionally? (4:13-14)
9. How was the sin offering for the community carried out? (4:15-21)
- \* 10. What happened when a leader sinned unintentionally? (4:22-26)
11. What was the process for a member of the community who sinned unintentionally? (4:27-35)
12. Who is held responsible for not speaking up when hearing a public charge? (5:1)
13. What is considered ceremonially unclean? (5:2-3)
14. What happens when people make careless oaths? (5:4)
- \* 15. What must a person do when he or she discovers that he or she has sinned? (5:5-6)
16. How was a person to present an offering if he or she could not afford a lamb? (5:7-10)
17. What happened if a person could not afford two doves for an offering? (5:11)
18. How could a priest make atonement for a poor person's sins? (5:12-13)

### Get It

19. How does this passage show how the people of Israel were responsible for one another?
- \* 20. How are we alone responsible for the sins we commit?
21. What does today's church need to learn about being a confessing community?
22. Why do unbelievers call Christians hypocrites?
- \* 23. If we admitted our sins more regularly, how might we be a different people for God?
24. How did God provide forgiveness for the people of Israel?
25. What are the implications in this passage for Christian leaders regarding confession of sin?
26. How can we create an atmosphere of acceptance and forgiveness in our churches?

### Apply It

- \* 27. How can a humble confession of sin bring you closer to God today?
28. What can you do this week to share with someone the forgiveness you have received in Christ?

## The Guilt Offering - Leviticus 5:14-6:7

*Topics:* Deceit, Failure, Guilt, Restitution, Swearing, Unfaithfulness

### Open It

1. In your opinion what is the worst scandal that has recently hit the news?
- \* 2. If you found a lost wallet filled with cash, why might you return it? not return it?

### Explore It

3. What did the Lord say to Moses regarding unintentional sin? (5:14-15)
- \* 4. How was restitution to be made by people who have sinned? (5:16)
5. What happened to people who sinned without knowing the Lord's commands? (5:17)
6. What type of animal was to be offered as a guilt offering for sin? (5:18)
7. Who has been violated when someone commits an unintentional sin? (5:19)
- \* 8. What are some ways people are unfaithful to the Lord? (6:1-3)
- \* 9. What was an Israelite to do when he or she had sinned against another person? (6:4)
10. How were the victims of crime to be repaid for their hardship? (6:5)
11. What was the wrongdoer to bring to the priest as an offering? (6:6)
12. What happened to a wrongdoer who offered sacrifices for his or her sins? (6:7)

### Get It

13. Even if you sinned unintentionally, why would be you required to offer sacrifice to the Lord?
- \* 14. How did the laws of restitution protect people from taking advantage of one another?
15. If your neighbor deceived you, how would God's laws protect you from injustice?
16. How did God's commands provide wrongdoers the opportunity to receive forgiveness?
17. If we took God's laws more seriously, how might our world be a different place?
18. How important is it to return things you borrow in good condition?
- \* 19. How would God's restitution laws motivate the Israelites to be more responsible?
20. What excuses do we make for accepting responsibility for our actions?

### Apply It

21. How can you be responsible in your attitude and actions this week?
- \* 22. Who is someone you need to forgive today for a wrong he or she did to you?

## Laws Concerning the Offerings - Leviticus 6:8-7:38

*Topics:* Details, Devotion, Obedience, Rules, Teaching, Thankfulness

### Open It

1. What bothers you most about rude and obnoxious people?
2. How do you respond when someone cuts you off in traffic?
- \* 3. In what ways do you tend to be an organized, detail-oriented person or a spontaneous, easygoing person?

### Explore It

- \* 4. What specific details did God tell Moses to relay to Aaron? (6:8-12)
5. What did God command that wasn't supposed to go out? (6:13)
6. What were the regulations about how the grain offering was brought to the Lord? (6:14-15)
7. What rules were given regarding eating the grain offering? (6:16-18)
8. How were the grain offerings prepared by the priests to be presented? (6:19-23)
9. What happened to anything that came into contact with the sin offering? (6:24-27)
10. How were pots cleaned after the sin offering? (6:28)
11. Who was able to eat the sin offering? (6:29-30)
- \* 12. What details were given concerning the guilt offering? (7:1-6)
13. How were the sin and guilt offerings similar? (7:7-10)
14. How did a person say thanks to God with their offering? (7:11-15)
15. What happened to offering leftovers? (7:16-18)
16. How was meat to be treated by someone ceremonially unclean? (7:19-21)
- \* 17. What detailed rules did God give Moses regarding fat? (7:22-27)
18. How were the priests given their fair share of the fellowship offering? (7:28-34)
19. What was the purpose for giving Aaron and his sons a portion of the offerings? (7:35-38)

### Get It

- \* 20. How did God not leave much room for error when He gave the priests specific details?
21. If you were one of Aaron's sons, how responsible would you feel to carry out God's law?
22. How do we get lazy about following God's Word?
23. In what ways do people often show they are thankful to God?
24. What are some ways we can show we are thankful to God?
- \* 25. How difficult would it be today to carry out all the details regarding sacrifices?
26. How can people make sacrifices to God today without killing animals?
27. How does Jesus' sacrifice for our sin replace the need for animal sacrifices?
28. How can we show our devotion to God?
29. How do some Christians give God "leftovers" instead of the very best they can offer?

### Apply It

- \* 30. What specific detail in your life would God want you to give to Him this week?
31. How can you offer your thanks to God today?

# Ordination of Aaron and His Sons - Leviticus 8:1-36

*Topics:* Call, Commitment, Leadership, Ministry, Position

## Open It

1. What are common honors given to people today?
- \* 2. What personal qualities help people receive leadership positions?
3. Why would being the president of the United States be a difficult job?

## Explore It

4. Where did the Lord tell Moses to bring Aaron and his sons? (8:1-3)
5. Where did the whole Israelite assembly gather? (8:4)
- \* 6. What did Moses tell the assembly regarding the priests' consecration? (8:5)
7. What did Moses do to Aaron and his sons? (8:6)
8. What clothes were placed on Aaron? (8:7-9)
9. What did Moses anoint with oil? (8:10-12)
10. What was put on Aaron's sons? (8:13)
11. How did Moses offer the bull as a sacrifice to God? (8:14-17)
12. In what way was the ram presented as an offering? (8:18-21)
- \* 13. What was presented for the ordination of Aaron and his sons? (8:22-27)
14. What did Moses burn on the altar? (8:28)
15. What was presented as a wave offering? (8:29)
- \* 16. How were Aaron and his sons consecrated? (8:30)
17. What did Moses tell Aaron and his sons to eat? (8:31-32)
18. What were the priests commanded to do during their ordination? (8:33-35)
19. What did Aaron and his sons do as the Lord commanded? (8:36)

## Get It

- \* 20. What might have made it difficult to participate in the consecration for the priests?
21. How would you have felt if thousands of people were now looking to you as a leader?
22. What keeps people from pursuing difficult positions at work?
23. How was Moses' obedience to God an example for all of Israel?
24. What does this passage teach you about the requirements for being a leader in Israel?
25. What does this passage teach you about the requirements for being a leader of God's people today?
26. Do you think it should be easy or difficult for someone to attain a leadership position in a church? Why?
- \* 27. Why was the priests' consecration an important event before they began their ministry?
28. What are the dangerous results of poor Christian leadership?
29. Whose example as a Christian leader has been a very significant influence in your life?

## Apply It

- \* 30. What are ways you can lead other people closer to Christ this week?
31. How can you commit yourself to God's purposes today?



## The Priests Begin Their Ministry - Leviticus 9:1-24

*Topics:* Blessing, Follow-Through, Glory, Miracles, Sacrifice

### Open It

- \* 1. For what does education prepare people?
- 2. What are some of the rewards of preparation for a difficult test?
- 3. How do you feel when your favorite team wins a game?

### Explore It

- 4. When did Moses summon Aaron and his sons and the elders of Israel? (9:1)
- 5. What did Moses say to Aaron about the burnt offering? (9:2)
- 6. What was Aaron supposed to say to the Israelites? (9:3-4)
- 7. Where did the people gather to listen to Moses? (9:5)
- 8. What did Moses tell the people? (9:6)
- 9. What did Moses tell Aaron to do? (9:7)
- 10. What did Aaron do to offer a sin offering for himself? (9:8-9)
- \* 11. What happened to the sacrifice on the altar? (9:10)
- 12. Where were the flesh and hide burned? (9:11)
- \* 13. How was the burnt offering sacrificed on the altar? (9:12-14)
- 14. What was the offering for the people? (9:15-16)
- 15. How much of the grain offering was burned on the altar? (9:17)
- 16. How was the fellowship offering prepared? (9:18-20)
- 17. What did Aaron do as Moses commanded? (9:21)
- \* 18. Whom did Moses and Aaron bless after the sacrifices were completed? (9:22-23)
- 19. What happened when the Lord consumed the burnt offering? (9:24)

### Get It

- \* 20. How did the priests perform when they began their ministry of offering sacrifice?
- \* 21. What pleased God about receiving sacrifices?
  - 22. How do you think Moses felt as a leader seeing Israel's following the Lord's command?
  - 23. Why is it important to prepare our hearts to worship God?
  - 24. How is God honored when we come to Him with humble hearts?
  - 25. What did the Israelites receive after the sacrifices were made to God?
  - 26. How were the offerings to God a great victory in the history of Israel?
  - 27. What do you think it would have been like to see the offerings consumed by fire?

### Apply It

- \* 28. What type of sacrifice do you need to make today to honor God?
- 29. How can you prepare your heart to worship God this week?
- 30. In what way do you need God to do a miracle in your life this week?

## The Death of Nadab and Abihu - Leviticus 10:1-20

*Topics:* Death, Disobedience, Holiness, Honor, Rationalizing

### Open It

- \* 1. What types of honor are given to kings and presidents of countries?
- 2. What are positive ways of dealing with conflict at work?

### Explore It

- \* 3. How did Nadab and Abihu disobey the Lord's commands? (10:1)
- \* 4. How did Nadab and Abihu die? (10:2)
- \* 5. What did Moses remind Aaron about obeying the Lord? (10:3)
- 6. Who was told to carry the bodies out of the camp? (10:4-5)
- 7. Who was given the opportunity to mourn the loss of the two cousins? (10:6)
- 8. Why were the priests told not to leave the entrance to the Tent of Meeting? (10:7)
- 9. What were Aaron and his sons told not to drink? (10:9)
- 10. What were the priests told to distinguish between? (10:10)
- 11. What were all the Israelites to be taught? (10:11)
- 12. What was Moses told to do with the grain offering? (10:12-13)
- 13. Who was allowed to eat the fellowship offering? (10:14-15)
- 14. Why was Moses mad with Eleazar and Ithamar? (10:16)
- 15. What did Moses say to Eleazar and Ithamar about eating the sin offering? (10:17-18)
- 16. How did Aaron reply to Moses in defense of his sons? (10:19)
- 17. How did Moses accept Aaron's explanation? (10:20)

### Get It

- \* 18. How is God honored by our obedience to Him?
- 19. What do people perceive when they see Christians who don't honor God?
- 20. In what ways do we sometimes compromise our faith in Jesus Christ?
- \* 21. How do you think Aaron felt when he saw the disobedience of his own sons?
- 22. How does God want us to handle conflict with other people?
- 23. In what ways did Moses not handle the conflict with Aaron very well?
- 24. Why is it dangerous to rationalize making bad decisions?
- 25. How can people understand the holiness of God if they don't see it in our lives?
- 26. How can you honor God and His commands in your home? work? community life?

### Apply It

- 27. What do you want to do to honor God before your family, coworkers, or neighbors this week?
- \* 28. What is a specific way you want to obey God today?

## Instructions for the People - Leviticus 11:1-15:33

*Topics:* Answers, Details, Expectations, Holiness, Ignorance, Purity, Sex, Vows

### Open It

1. When have you received a citation, traffic ticket, or other reprimand for doing something you didn't know was wrong?
- \* 2. What is your favorite kind of seafood?
3. Why do we have governmental laws for sanitation?

### Explore It

4. What type of animal did the Lord tell the Israelites they were able to eat? (11:1-3)
- \* 5. What kinds of fish were the Israelites allowed to eat? (11:9)
- \* 6. What birds were the Israelites told not to eat? (11:13-19)
- \* 7. What types of lizards were the Israelites forbidden to eat? (11:29-30)
8. What was a woman required to do after having a baby? (12:1-8)
9. What were the laws regarding infectious skin diseases? (13:1-8)
10. Where was a person with an infectious disease required to live? (13:45-46)
11. What happened if clothing became moldy? (13:47-52)
12. If someone wanted cleansing from an infectious disease, what did he or she do? (14:1-11)
13. Who came to inspect a home if it became moldy? (14:33-36)
14. How did a priest purify a home with mildew in it? (14:49-53)
15. What caused a man to become unclean? (15:1-3)
16. What was a man supposed to do after being cleansed? (15:13-15)
17. What caused a woman to become unclean? (15:19)
18. What was the reason the Israelites were to stay away from unclean things? (15:31)

### Get It

19. How is it difficult to live up to God's expectations for His laws?
- \* 20. How did God's laws concerning food set the Israelites apart from other nations?
21. What sets you apart from people who are not Christians?
- \* 22. Why are Christians allowed to eat things that Jewish people are not?
23. How is disease control critical to our personal health?
24. How do God's laws express His protection for His people?
25. In what ways do God's laws protect you?
26. What does this passage tell us about our sexuality?
27. Why does God want us to make good decisions regarding personal purity?

### Apply It

- \* 28. How can you express thanks to God for the food He gives you each day?
29. What is one tangible step you can take to make your thoughts and actions pure?

## Instructions for the Altar - Leviticus 16:1-17:16

*Topics:* Atonement, Confession, Forgiveness, Idolatry, Mercy, Sin

### Open It

- \* 1. What does it feel like to be unjustly accused of something you didn't do?
- 2. What do hunters have to be careful about when preparing an animal to be eaten?
- 3. Why is it difficult for some people to admit their own mistakes?

### Explore It

- 4. Why was Aaron not allowed to enter the Most Holy Place whenever he wanted? (16:1-2)
- 5. How was Aaron told to enter the sanctuary? (16:3-5)
- 6. What types of offerings was Aaron told to sacrifice to the Lord? (16:6-16)
- \* 7. What was the purpose of the scapegoat? (16:8-10)
- 8. Why was no one allowed in the Tent of Meeting except Aaron? (16:17)
- 9. What was Aaron told to do at the altar of the Lord? (16:18-19)
- \* 10. How were the sins of the Israelites laid upon the scapegoat? (16:20-22)
- 11. What did Aaron do in preparation for the burnt offering? (16:23-25)
- 12. What men were required to bathe themselves? (16:26-28)
- 13. What was the purpose of the Day of Atonement? (16:29-31)
- 14. How often was atonement to be made for the Israelites? (16:34)
- 15. Why were the people told not to sacrifice an animal inside or outside of camp? (17:1-5)
- 16. Who was responsible for offering sacrifices for the Israelites? (17:6)
- 17. In what way were the Israelites prostituting themselves? (17:7)
- 18. What happened to Israelites who offered sacrifices outside the Tent of Meeting? (17:8-9)
- \* 19. What was the significance of blood offered in sacrifices? (17:10-12)
- 20. If a person found a dead animal, what was he or she required to do? (17:13-16)

### Get It

- \* 21. How is Jesus Christ the scapegoat for our sins?
- 22. How would you feel if you were the scapegoat and all of Israel's sins were confessed on you?
- \* 23. What are some reasons we are afraid to confess our sins to God?
- 24. Why is it important to realize that everyone makes mistakes?
- 25. How does our sin keep us separated from God?
- 26. What are some ways we can experience God's mercy through one another?
- 27. What are reasons some Christians can be so unforgiving?
- 28. In what way is God forgetful when it comes to sin?
- 29. What does it mean for God to forgive our sin?

### Apply It

- \* 30. When can you take time for confession to God in order to receive His forgiveness?
- 31. What do you need to confess to a friend or other person?
- 32. How can you express thanks to Jesus for being the scapegoat for your sins?

## Unlawful Sexual Relations - Leviticus 18:1-30

*Topics:* Culture, Family, Homosexuality, Punishment, Relationships, Sex

### Open It

1. What makes people nervous about going on a blind date?
- \* 2. What parts of American society exploit sex?

### Explore It

3. Who did God say He was to the Israelites? (18:1-2)
4. Whose practices did God tell the Israelites not to follow? (18:3-4)
5. What happens to the man who obeys the laws of the Lord? (18:5)
6. Who was allowed to have sexual relations with close relatives? (18:6)
- \* 7. What did God say about having sexual relations with one's mother? (18:7-8)
8. What was God's command to the Israelites regarding sex with one's sister? (18:9)
9. Why were the Israelites not allowed to have sexual relations with grandchildren? (18:10)
10. Who is the daughter of "your father's wife"? (18:11)
- \* 11. What were the Israelites told about sexual relations with close relatives? (18:12-14)
12. Why were the Israelites not to have sex with daughters-in-law? (18:15)
13. Who is dishonored if an Israelite had sexual relations with his brother's wife? (18:16)
14. What were some of the regulations regarding sexual relations? (18:17-20)
15. Whose name was profaned when children were sacrificed to Molech? (18:21)
16. What was considered detestable to the Lord? (18:22)
- \* 17. With what were men and women told not to have sexual relations? (18:23)
18. Why did the Lord tell the Israelites not to defile themselves? (18:24-30)

### Get It

19. How does God want to protect family members?
- \* 20. What are some of the benefits of honoring God by making good sexual decisions?
21. How is sex such a powerful force in our society today?
22. In what way do God's laws about sexuality and sexual relations promote a positive view of sexuality?
- \* 23. What types of abuse go on in families who don't honor God's laws on sexuality?
24. What makes it important to talk to our children about their sexuality?
25. If people honored God with their bodies, what would they gain?
26. How does God want us to be different from the rest of our world?
27. What does God promise to those who confess their sins to Him?

### Apply It

- \* 28. How can you honor God today in the area of your sexuality?
29. Who is someone you can talk to this week to help you be accountable to make God-honoring sexual decisions?

## Various Laws - Leviticus 19:1-37

*Topics:* Hate, Honesty, Justice, Love, Neighbor, Occult

### Open It

- \* 1. Who are some modern-day heroes who fight for justice?
- 2. In what way have you seen slander or gossip hurt a person?
- 3. Who are some of your neighbors and associates (people you see at least once a week)?

### Explore It

- 4. What was the reason the Israelites were told to be holy? (19:1-2)
- 5. Whom were the Israelites told to respect? (19:3)
- 6. How were the Israelites told to sacrifice burnt offerings? (19:4-8)
- 7. How did the Lord provide food for the poor? (19:9-10)
- \* 8. What were four unjust things the Lord told the Israelites not to do? (19:11-12)
- \* 9. What did the Lord say about defrauding a neighbor? (19:13)
- 10. Whom were the people of Israel to fear? (19:14)
- \* 11. How was justice maintained? (19:15)
- 12. Why were people not to endanger their neighbor's life? (19:16)
- 13. Whom were the Israelites told not to hate? (19:17-18)
- 14. What were the Israelites told not to mix? (19:19)
- 15. How did a man make atonement for himself for sleeping with a slave girl? (19:20-22)
- 16. What were the Israelites told to do regarding fruit trees? (19:23-25)
- 17. What were the Israelites commanded not to do? (19:26-29)
- 18. Why were the Israelites to observe the Sabbath? (19:30)
- 19. How were the elderly to be treated by the people of Israel? (19:32)
- 20. Why did God want the Israelites to use honest scales? (19:35-36)

### Get It

- \* 21. What are some of the reasons society needs laws?
- 22. How are people responsible for how they treat others?
- 23. How do God's laws show His love for people?
- 24. How would you feel if you were a victim of injustice and nobody did anything to help you?
- \* 25. What does God's desire for justice tell you about His concern for you?
- 26. In what ways were the Israelites inclined to be just or unjust?
- 27. How is God's holiness seen in His desire for justice?
- 28. In what ways do God's laws burden people or free them?
- 29. How can honoring God's laws bring you closer to Christ?

### Apply It

- \* 30. What specific way do you need to be just in your relationships with people this week?
- 31. What is one way you can publicly thank God for the laws He has given you?

## **Punishments for Sin - Leviticus 20:1-27**

*Topics:* Children, Consequences, Death, Disobedience, Faithfulness

### **Open It**

- \* 1. What is your favorite childhood memory?
- 2. What do most people you know think is God's view of sex (positive, negative, etc.)?
- 3. Why do you think some people are drawn into the occult?

### **Explore It**

- \* 4. What happened to people who gave their children to Molech? (20:1-2)
- \* 5. Why were the consequences so severe to those who gave their children to Molech? (20:3)
- \* 6. When people closed their eyes to what was happening to children, what resulted? (20:4-5)
- 7. What did God think of people who listened to spiritists and mediums? (20:6)
- 8. Why was Israel told to be holy? (20:7-8)
- 9. What are the consequences of cursing a mother or father? (20:9)
- 10. What were the consequences of having unlawful sexual relations? (20:10-13)
- 11. Why did God forbid a man to marry both a woman and her mother? (20:14)
- 12. What were the laws concerning sexual contact with animals? (20:15-16)
- 13. How might a man dishonor his sister? (20:17)
- 14. What restrictions did God place on a man's sexual relations with a woman during her period? (20:18)
- 15. How were relatives dishonored by unlawful sexual relationships? (20:19-21)
- 16. What did God promise Israel for abiding by His laws? (20:22-24)
- 17. What type of distinction did God ask the people to make between certain animals? (20:25)
- 18. Why did the Lord set the nation of Israel apart from the other nations? (20:26)
- 19. How were mediums and spiritists put to death? (20:27)

### **Get It**

- 20. What are certain practices in our world today that God says are detestable?
- \* 21. How do you think God feels when He sees children destroyed by their parents?
- 22. What makes it wrong when we close our eyes to evil?
- 23. How can God's people make a difference in this world by standing up for righteousness?
- 24. What did God want to guard against by forbidding unlawful sexual practices?
- 25. How can bad sexual decisions lead to severe consequences?
- \* 26. What are positive ways we can protect and nurture our children?
- 27. What does this passage say about God's love for children?
- 28. Why is it dangerous to dabble in fortune-telling?

### **Apply It**

- \* 29. What can you do to stand up for the rights of innocent children?
- 30. In which of your present circumstances do you need to show child-like faith?

## Rules for Priests - Leviticus 21:1-22:33

*Topics:* Acceptance, Follow, Marriage, Priorities, Privilege, Respect

### Open It

1. What are some things people do to develop a healthy sense of pride?
- \* 2. Why is the example and life-style of leaders important?
3. What happens when there is a breakdown in leadership in business and politics?

### Explore It

4. What exceptions were priests given for ceremonial uncleanness? (21:1-4)
5. Why were priests told not to shave? (21:5-6)
- \* 6. For what reason were priests not permitted to marry defiled women? (21:7-8)
7. What happened if a priest's daughter became a prostitute? (21:9)
8. How was the high priest different from the other priests? (21:10-12)
- \* 9. What were the marriage regulations for a priest? (21:13-15)
10. What did Moses tell Aaron regarding physical defects of descendants? (21:16-24)
11. What were Aaron and his sons to treat with respect? (22:1-2)
12. If descendants of Aaron were ceremonially unclean, what were they not to do? (22:3-8)
- \* 13. Why were the priests to keep the regulations of the Lord? (22:9)
14. Who was authorized to eat the sacred offerings? (22:10-13)
15. What happened if someone ate a sacred offering by mistake? (22:14-16)
16. If an Israelite wanted to make an offering to the Lord, what was acceptable? (22:17-19)
17. What types of offerings were not considered acceptable to the Lord? (22:20-25)
18. When was it acceptable to sacrifice a newborn animal? (22:26-28)
19. How were the Israelites told to sacrifice a thank offering? (22:29-30)
20. What did the Lord remind the Israelites about in keeping His commands? (22:31-33)

### Get It

21. How did God want His priests to stand apart from the other Israelites?
- \* 22. Why did God give His priests regulations that did not apply to other people?
- \* 23. What expectations do you have for the life-style of Christian leaders today?
  24. Why do some people expect more from pastors than they expect from themselves?
  25. What are some of the pressures facing Christian leaders today?
  26. How can you support and encourage those who commit their lives to ministry?
  27. What are things we accept about our society that God does not accept?
  28. How can your life-style be a powerful witness for who Jesus Christ is?

### Apply It

- \* 29. What can you do today to be an example of Christ for others?
30. When can you pray for the leaders of your church this week?



## Seasons and Festivals - Leviticus 23:1-25:55

*Topics:* Blasphemy, Celebration, Freedom, Renewal, Slavery

### Open It

1. What is your most memorable birthday?
- \* 2. What is the most meaningful celebration you participate in each year?

### Explore It

3. What was the first feast the Lord told Moses about? (23:1-3)
- \* 4. When were the Israelites to celebrate the Passover feast? (23:4-8)
5. What were the conditions given regarding the feast of firstfruits? (23:9-14)
6. What kinds of sacrifices were the Israelites to offer during the feast of weeks? (23:15-22)
7. What were the Israelites commanded to do on the feast of trumpets? (23:23-25)
- \* 8. How were the Israelites required to celebrate the Day of Atonement? (23:26-32)
9. Where were the Israelites supposed to live during the Feast of Tabernacles? (23:33-44)
10. What two things were the Israelites told to set before the Lord? (24:1-9)
11. What incident occurred in Israel's camp? (24:10-16)
12. What laws were given concerning harm done to others? (24:17-22)
13. What happened to the man who blasphemed God? (24:23)
14. What did the Lord tell Moses to do during the Sabbath year? (25:1-7)
- \* 15. What was the significance of the celebration during the Year of Jubilee? (25:8-17)
16. How did God promise to provide for Israel during the Year of Jubilee? (25:18-22)
17. What were some of the laws regarding property during the Year of Jubilee? (25:23-34)
18. How were poor people helped during the Year of Jubilee? (25:35-38)
19. What were the laws for slaves during the Year of Jubilee? (25:39-55)

### Get It

20. What do religious holidays mean to you personally?
- \* 21. What are common ways to celebrate Easter?
- \* 22. How do people today take for granted the celebration of Christmas?
23. About what was God possibly reminding the Israelites by requiring so many feasts?
24. How would you feel if you were a slave freed during the Year of Jubilee?
25. How do you respond when people blaspheme God?
26. How can we experience freedom in Christ on a daily basis?

### Apply It

- \* 27. How can you celebrate your freedom in Christ this week?
28. How might you help someone enjoy a time of rest this week?

## Reward for Obedience and Punishment for Disobedience - Leviticus 26:1-46

*Topics:* Covenant, Discipline, Idols, Obedience, Rest, Rewards

### Open It

1. What happens when children are not disciplined?
- \* 2. How can relationships be damaged by broken promises?

### Explore It

3. What did God specifically tell the Israelites regarding His commands? (26:1-2)
- \* 4. How did God promise to bless Israel if they obeyed His decrees? (26:3-13)
- \* 5. What were some of the results of not obeying God? (26:14-20)
6. What tragedies would come upon Israel if they were hostile to God? (26:21-26)
7. What emotion did God say He would express if Israel was hostile to Him? (26:28)
8. How was God going to destroy the Israelites if they turned against Him? (26:29-33)
9. What did the land enjoy when the Israelites were taken away by their enemies? (26:34-35)
10. With what types of fear would Israel live if they abandoned God? (26:36-39)
- \* 11. What did God say He would remember if the Israelites confessed their hostility? (26:40-42)
12. Why would Israel pay for its sin against God? (26:43)
13. What did God say He would do when Israel was in the land of their enemies? (26:44)
14. For whose sake would God remember Israel? (26:45)
15. Where did God establish His laws between Himself and the Israelites? (26:46)

### Get It

16. In what ways did God treat Israel like little children?
- \* 17. What are the benefits of obeying God today?
18. How do we break our promises to God?
19. What circumstances tend to make people hostile to God?
- \* 20. For what reasons do we disobey God even when we know we will suffer the consequences?
21. What makes obedience to God difficult?
22. What does God's covenant with the Israelites tell you about His love?
23. How does it make you feel knowing that even if you reject God, He won't reject you?

### Apply It

24. What promise to God do you need to fulfill or follow through on?
- \* 25. How can you nurture a desire for obedience to God each day?
26. Who is someone you can ask to pray for your obedience to Christ on a regular basis?

## Redeeming What Is the Lord's - Leviticus 27:1-34

*Topics:* Commitment, Dedication, Promises, Value, Vows

### Open It

1. What are some of the reasons people make marriage vows?
- \* 2. How would you feel if someone affirmed you for being a very dedicated person? Why?

### Explore It

- \* 3. What did God say to Moses about vows for dedicating people? (27:1-2)
4. What was a man's value between twenty and sixty who was dedicated to the Lord? (27:3)
5. What was a woman's value between twenty and sixty who was dedicated to the Lord? (27:4)
6. If a man was between age five and twenty, what value was set for him? (27:5)
7. If a woman was between age five and twenty, what value was set for her? (27:5)
8. What other values were set for people dedicated to the Lord? (27:6-7)
- \* 9. If a person was too poor to pay for the vow, what was he or she told to do? (27:8)
- \* 10. What conditions were made for people vowing animals to the Lord? (27:9-13)
11. Who determined the quality of a house that was dedicated to the Lord? (27:14-15)
12. What were the laws when a man dedicated his land to the Lord? (27:16-21)
13. Who decided how valuable land was? (27:22-24)
14. How were values set? (27:25)
15. Why was no one allowed to dedicate the firstborn of an animal to the Lord? (27:26-27)
16. What did God say could not be sold or redeemed? (27:28)
17. What was the law concerning people devoted to destruction? (27:29)
18. What laws were given to the people of Israel regarding tithes? (27:30-33)

### Get It

19. How would the number of lawsuits in this country be reduced if people kept their promises?
- \* 20. How is our ability to keep vows a reflection of our personal character?
21. How do you feel when something valuable to you is destroyed?
22. Who is someone you admire for his or her dedication to the Lord?
23. What happens in relationships when one person is found to be untrustworthy?
- \* 24. What are common examples today of people who suffer when others break vows?
25. In what way is God the real owner of everything we possess?
26. How can dedicating our possessions to God free us to serve Him more?
27. What happens when we value people or things more than the Lord?

### Apply It

- \* 28. What is something you're hanging on to that you need to dedicate to the Lord today?
29. What symbolic act would help you put Christ before your possessions?