

The Bible in One Year Week 10: Leviticus (Pt. 2)

Leviticus 16:29-34; Hebrews 10:1-23

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	When you read this book, you are entering a <i>cross-cultural experience</i> . The Bible is inspired by God, but God used humans to write it—real people of a particular time and place. If we want to understand what's going on in this book, we have to do some study to understand the context it came from. This won't solve every question, but it will make everything much clearer!
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Rituals are *interactive symbols* that make the *intangible* tangible and help us to participate in the reality of what the symbols represent. (Think about *Weddings*, think about *Communion*.) They aren't just arbitrary nonsense; they *meant something* to the people and to God. God gave Israel this whole new, all-encompassing way of life so that out of all the peoples of the world, they could be His people—and they could work out the reality of His holiness in their everyday lives.

Why It Matters

 All the primary aspects of Leviticus—the rituals, the priesthood, and the purity—are fulfilled in Jesus.

Jesus is the perfect Sacrifice, Jesus is the Great High Priest, and Jesus is the Way that fulfills the heart of the law.

 Through Leviticus, we see: 1) How Jesus is the perfect answer and provision to all of our needs before God, and 2) How God cares about the details of our lives.

God created you in his image and your life is sacred to Him: God wants us to learn to be holy as He is holy, because holiness is the only way that is actually going to make life *work* for us.

For Further Study:

"The Book of Leviticus" by the Bible Project (YouTube) https://youtu.be/WmvyrLXoQio

"Biblical Law" by the Bible Project (YouTube)
https://youtu.be/Sew1kBle-W0

"The Law" by the Bible Project (YouTube) https://youtu.be/3BGO9Mmd_cU

"Holiness" by the Bible Project (YouTube) https://youtu.be/l9vn5UvsHvM