



Leviticus – Study Guide



Bible Reading (Other chapters may be read for extra credit/benefit)	Textbook Reading (Other material may be read for extra credit/benefit)
Leviticus	Ch. 7
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Chapter 1

- What is the overall content of this chapter? What did God instruct the people to do? Why? What can we learn from this?
- What were the different kinds of burnt offerings given? What does this chapter say is the purpose of the burnt offerings? What was to be done with the burnt offerings? What does it say will be the result of the burnt offerings?

Chapter 8:1-Chapter 10:3

- What is the overall content of this larger section? Why was this kind of instruction necessary for the people of that time? What purpose did these things serve for the people of that time? What can we learn from it today?
- What things were done to prepare the priests? What do you think each of these things symbolized about the character and function of a good priest?
- How was the tabernacle prepared? What do you think was the significance of this?
- Describe the sacrificial offerings made on behalf of the priests. What was done with the blood of these sacrifices? Why?
- What do you think was the significance of the meal eaten by the priests in God's presence? How was this similar to other covenant ceremonies?
- What commands were given to the priests? What warnings were given? Why is the significance of these?
- On the eighth day what did the priests do? How was this similar to what happened a week earlier? How was it different? What was done with the blood of the sacrifices?
- What did Aaron do toward the people? How did God demonstrate His acceptance of these offerings for the people? How did the people respond?
- What did Nadab and Abihu do? What was bad about what they had done? How did God respond? What should we learn from this? How should we respond?

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Chapter 16

- How is the beginning of this chapter related to the beginning of chapter 10? Why was Aaron given such strict warnings and precise instructions?
- What sacrifices were to be made on this day of atonement? What should we learn from this? What was done with the blood of these sacrifices?
- What clothes was Aaron to wear on the day of atonement? Why do you think he changed clothes? What symbolism/purpose did that serve? What difference does this make?
- Why were two different goats used in these ceremonies? How were they chosen? What different things happened to each goat? What did each of these accomplish in that day, and what does each of these teach us about God and how He deals with His people? What does all of this teach us about atonement and forgiveness? How does this apply to us today?
- What instructions were given for how all the people were to celebrate the day of atonement in future generations? What is the significance of all of these things?

Chapter 17:10-14

- What did God command His people regarding blood? What is the reason He gave for these commands? What should we learn from this?

Chapter 18:1-5

- What did God command the people to do and/or not to do in these verses? What reason did He give for obeying these commands? What does this teach us about how we are to deal with unbelievers? How do these verses prepare for and reinforce the rest of the various commands later in this chapter?

Chapter 19

- Describe the various commands given in this chapter? How are they related to commands you have already seen earlier in the Old Testament? What do they tell us about the character of God and what He desires from His people? How should we put these things into practice?
- How do these various commands say we should act toward God? How do these various commands say we should act toward one another? How do these various commands say we should act toward creation? How are these things related?
- How can we best apply these commands in our current society?
- What is the reason God gave for obeying all of these commands? Why is that significant? How does that motivate us to do what is right?

Chapter 23

- Describe the various feasts covered in this chapter? What was the meaning and purpose for each feast? What did each feast celebrate/commemorate? How were the people to celebrate each feast? Why? What can we learn from each of these feasts? How should we respond?

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Study Guide for Textbook chapter 7

Types of Sacrifices

- Describe what you learned about each of the 5 types of sacrifices mentioned in Leviticus? What purpose did these sacrifices serve in the life of ancient Israel? What can we learn from them about how God interacts with His people? How does this apply today?

Themes of Leviticus

Law

- How is material in the book of Leviticus connected to the Sinai covenant? What difference does this make?
- What is the focus of the laws in Leviticus? How does the textbook suggest these apply to Christians today? What approach does the textbook reject? Why? What approach does the textbook suggest? Why? Do you agree? Why or why not?

Sacrifice

- According to the textbook, what were the different functions of the different types of sacrifices?
- Why did the offerer place their hands on the sacrificial animal? What does this tell us about the purpose of the sacrifice?
- How does the textbook explain the term “atonement”? How is blood connected to this concept?
- How do the Old Testament sacrifices help us to understand the New Testament, especially the work of Christ? Why does this matter?

Holiness

- What does the textbook call the “keynote of Leviticus”? Why is this important? How does it apply to your life today?
- How is God’s holiness different from His people’s holiness? Why is that an important distinction?
- How does the textbook suggest that Leviticus still speaks to us today? How should we respond?

Review the Study Questions and Summary at the end of the chapter