



Pastor's Bible Study

Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study

Week Thirteen - Leviticus 1-10 - A Holy People

Review

Literary Period Covered: 1435 B.C.E.

Review and Introduction

- Moses and Aaron have led the people out of Egypt.
- We have reaffirmed the covenant at foot of Mt. Sinai
- God has given one of two great gifts to His people. The gift of the Law.
- The 10 principles the covenant people are to live between God and one another

Lecture Segment

- God did not choose the Jews/Israelites
- God chose Abraham and Sarah
- From their descendants he built the Jews
- At the end of Genesis, the extended family had grown to 73 and they had moved to Egypt to be with Joseph who had become prime minister of Egypt
- Between Genesis and Exodus 400 years had passed and the Israelites were now enslaved
 - God had said this would happen in Genesis Chapter 15:13-14
“Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and mistreated there. ¹⁴ But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions.
 - God had a reason for allowing them to become enslaved
 - To learn from the dominant culture but to not assimilate into it
 - By the beginning of Exodus, the family had grown to 2,000,000 people
 - Then God raised up Moses to lead His people out of slavery
 - They had achieved critical mass in numbers
 - He leads them out of Egypt and brings them to Mount Sinai in the southern Sinai Peninsula
 - When he gets them there, God says in Exodus Chapter 19:4-6
‘You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, ⁶ you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’

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- There God gives them two great gifts
- The 10 Commandments or principles
- The Tabernacle – a physical structure which allows a sinful people to gain access to an infinite and Holy God
- Exodus 25 to 40 specifies the design and building of the Tabernacle
 - We learn God is very detailed in the design and expectations
 - We learned in Hebrews 8, the reason for all that detail is because Tabernacle here on earth is a shadow of the one in heaven
 - That is why Moses is told to “Make this tabernacle and all its furnishings exactly like the pattern I will show you.”
- So, as we begin the Tabernacle has been built and Law has been given.

The Tabernacle

4 Animal Sacrifices

1. Burnt Offering

- An aroma pleasing or sweet savior to God
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2. Fellowship Offering

- An aroma pleasing or sweet savior to God
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3. Sin Offering

4. Guilt Offering

- Requires restitution
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1 Non-Animal Sacrifice

5. Grain Offering

- As a pleasing aroma
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Christ sheds His blood for our sins

- Sweet Savior Sacrifices speak of the Person of Christ
 - Burnt Offering – Given His whole self to God
 - Grain Offering – The personality of Christ – pure and perfect in every way. Free of sin (yeast) and not altered in any way – no artificial sweetener (honey) – He speaks the truth – The salt brings our thirst for God through his
 - Fellowship/Peace Offering – He shares himself with us
- Non-Sweet Savior speak of the work of Christ
 - Sin Offering “God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” 2 Corinthians 5:21
 - Guilt Offering – He makes restitution for our sins

Conclusion

- The Tabernacle is in operation and the sacrifices are in place
- The priesthood is in place
- Next week we begin the journey of implementing the Law drawn from the 10 principles and to bring the people together as God's chosen people

“you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation”

Encounter the Word Lecture Segment

Read Leviticus 11-17