

Lovin' Leviticus

Session #6: Holiness is a Practical Thing

Leviticus Chapters 17-20

Objectives:

- To understand the importance of blood as it shapes Old Testament laws
- To grasp that God is in charge (sovereign), so he gets to set the rules
- To see the connection between these laws and our Christian faith.

Noteworthy Quote

I have spent all my life under a Communist regime, and I will tell you that a society without any objective legal scale is a terrible one indeed. But a society with no other scale but the legal one is not quite worth of man either. Alexander Solzhenitsyn, June 7, 1978, Harvard University commencement

Key Verses

Consecrate yourselves and be holy, because I am the Lord your God. Keep my decrees and follow them. I am the Lord, who makes you holy. (Leviticus 20:7-8)

Important Truth

Read the following verses and summarize what you read:

Romans 3:19-20

Galatians 3:21-29

The Sanctity of Blood (Life)

Matters of Food

- It kept them from _____
- It ensured the _____ and the _____ got their rightful share
- It turned meals into _____

Matters of Sacrifice

- It had to be done at the _____

Matters of Eating Blood

- Blood must be _____ and _____

The Sanctity of Sex

There were six specific prohibitions:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

The Sanctity of the Law

- Honoring the _____
- Misusing the _____ of the _____
- Relating to others
 - Your _____
 - The _____
 - The _____
 - Strangers
 - The _____ and _____
- Issues of _____

Judgments

Discipleship Connections

1. The goal is life _____, not strict _____
2. God is in charge. He gets to _____

Questions

1. How do we differentiate between the laws that carry forth into this century as opposed to the ones that related only to the Israelites?