

The Book of Leviticus
Leviticus: Holy God, Holy People
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Introduction:

Leviticus is part of the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible of which Leviticus is right in the middle - the third book.

Author: Moses

Date and Setting: Circa 1446 BC

Major Theme(s):

Holiness

◦ Holy means to be set apart and marked off...
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Sacrifice

Purity

Priesthood

Purpose:

To reveal the awesome holiness of God to His people and to instruct His newly redeemed people how to approach, worship, serve and live in the presence of a holy God.

Key Verses:

Lev 17:11

Lev 11:44-45; 19:2; 20:7-8; 26

Relevance of Leviticus:

Portrays the Person and Work of Christ - in the sacrifices, the priesthood, and the feasts (holy days)

Portrays how we, as God's people, are to live as "priests" of God in the world today

Overview of the Book:

- Ch 1-7 the five types of sacrifices
- Ch 8-10 the priesthood
- Ch 11-15 God's standard for holiness
- Ch 16 the Day of Atonement
- Ch 17-28 God's standard for living

General Outline of the Book:

Leviticus can be generally divided into two major sections:

Chapters 1-16

ACCESS to God

SACRIFICE

WORSHIP

Chapters 17-28

LIVING for God

SANCTIFICATION

LIFESTYLE