

Times of Worship

Sunday Bible Classes: 9am

Sunday AM Worship: 10am

Sunday PM Worship: 5pm

Wednesday Bible Study: 7pm

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCGckN8D9NwwX3KUbQ4GRKyA

Interested in a Bible Study?

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Evangelist

Patrick Cawthon

Leviticus, the bridge to holiness

This quarter in our children's classes we are studying Leviticus and Numbers. The three books of Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers tell a powerful story when you put them together.

In first half of Exodus God leads His people out of slavery and oppression from Pharaoh. They cross the Red Sea and watch the waters collapse on the Egyptian army. God leads them to Mt. Sinai and speaks to His people putting the fear of Him in them. They request God speak to Moses instead of them "unless we die." They tell God they will do all that He commands of them. Moses receives the Law from God while God's people wait for Moses to come down from the mountain. Moses takes too long and they build a golden calf. They have broken the covenant they just made with God. God can't lead them because of their sin. That's where Leviticus comes in to play.

The book of Leviticus begins with, "Then the LORD called to Moses and spoke to him **from** the tent of meeting, saying..." God tells Moses and the Israelites what they must do to make their life right with God - by holy. The book of Leviticus is about how God's people can receive forgiveness and be one with God again.

The book of Numbers begins this way, "Then the LORD spoke to Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, **in** the tent of meeting, on the first of the second month, in the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt,

Week of October 1 Attendance

- + AM Service 80
- + PM Service -
- **Monday** 63
- + Tuesday 81
- Wednesday 71

Contribution

- * Weekly Budget \$2,400
- + Contribution \$2,944

Upcoming Birthdays

- * Marianne Lanning (10/8)
- Tanner McCoy (10/10)
- * Rashad and Glendy (10/10)
- + Caleb Cawthon (10/11)
- * Shannon Gray (10/15)
- * Sidney & Jennie Gray (10/16)

Calendar Items

Song Learning Class October 8 at the building at 4pm

Women's Bible Study on Tuesday at the building at 11a

Men's Meeting on October 22nd at 4pm at the building

saying..." After telling His people how to become holy and have their sins forgiven, God can now receive them again. Instead of God speaking to Moses "from" the tent of meeting, He can now speak to Moses "in" the tent of meeting.

The book of Leviticus is the bridge from Exodus to Numbers. The people sinned against God and needed a way to be forgiven of their sins. God desires a relationship with His people and provided the instruction on how they can fix their relationship with Him.

We have the same story as the Israelites. We have sinned against God and need a way to become holy as God is holy. Jesus is the answer and solution to our problem. His sacrifice on the cross is the way we can cleanse ourselves from sin by being baptized for the remission of our sins.

This is Peter's encouragement to his readers: "Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior; because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY." (1Pe 1:13-16)

Just as the book of Leviticus showed God's people how to be holy, Jesus teaches us the same topic through His teaching. What a blessing we have a God who desires a relationship with each one of us. He has showed us through His word how we can be holy like Him. May we strive to be holy for God is holy.

Thank goodness for Leviticus and thank God for Jesus who is the answer to our problem of sin. We have the opportunity to enter into the veil and be with God because of Jesus.

As we encourage each other in song, "make time to be holy." God has given us the answer, may we take advantage of His grace and mercy towards us.

Patrick