

## The Old Testament – Questions to Consider

Week 11: Leviticus 19-27 ~ Numbers 1-6

### Small Group Warm Up Question:

What was your favorite part of family gatherings growing up?

1. Leviticus 18 focuses on sexual purity and describes practices that make someone “unclean.” Child sacrifice is prohibited (Leviticus 18:21), homosexuality is described as an “abomination” (Leviticus 18:22), and bestiality is described as a “perversion” (Leviticus 18:23). Why do you think the Lord goes into such great detail on this subject? How do you think the Lord regards the sexual practices of your surrounding culture today?
2. In Leviticus 19:1 the Lord says to Israel “Be holy because I, the Lord your God, am holy.” What is the definition of holiness? Peter quotes this passage, telling us to “be sober minded”, “be holy in all of your conduct”, and “do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance” (1 Peter 1:13–16). What does God say is our underlying motivation for holiness? What are some of your former “passions” that you want to increasingly resist? How has God shown you pathways to victory in these daily battles?
3. Leviticus 19 gives a long, detailed exposition of the 10 Commandments. What stands out to you? Why? What do you think God’s purpose is for so many rules?
4. Leviticus 20 gives a long, detailed list of punishments for specific sins. What stands out to you? Why? What do you think God’s purpose is for so many serious punishments?
5. Why do you think God gives such specific qualifications and expectations for the priests? (Lev 21-22) How do 1 Timothy 3:1-7 & Titus 1:5-9 guide us with pastors? Were you familiar with these qualifications for pastors, or is there something you hadn’t heard of before? Read James 3:1. What do you think about this verse?
6. If you had to choose a favorite Christian holiday, Christmas or Easter, what would you pick and why? What are some of the special components to your family’s celebration of these holidays? Israel’s feasts come with great details about their celebration (Leviticus 23). What are some of the purposes of these holidays?
7. Leviticus 24 describes the stoning (death penalty) for the sin of blasphemy and murder. Why do you think blasphemy is so serious in God’s eyes? What would be God’s purposes accomplished by assigning the death penalty for such a sin? While the civil rules of Israel do not apply to us today, why is there biblical wisdom in the practice of the death penalty for murders today?

More questions @ [www.southfork.church/discussion-guide](http://www.southfork.church/discussion-guide)

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### **This Next Week's Old Testament Reading Plan:**

Week 12: Numbers 7-21

- **Read the Old Testament w/Us:** [www.southfork.church/2024](http://www.southfork.church/2024)
- **Hope & Purpose in Jesus:** [www.southfork.church/jesus](http://www.southfork.church/jesus)
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### **Tuesday**

many nonbelievers sought to entrap and trick Jesus. Upon hearing Jesus' truth-filled answers and divine wisdom, His enemies "marveled" (Matthew 22:22) and the crowds were "astonished" (Matthew 22:33)

### **Wednesday**

His enemies came against Him for His death, but crowds came to Him for His words of life! (Luke 21:37-22:2)  
Luke 21:38

[38] And early in the morning all the people came to him in the temple to hear him. (ESV)  
Luke 22:2

[2] And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people. (ESV)

### **Thursday**

Judas betrayed Jesus and His other disciples disappointed Him. May we "watch and pray that" we likewise "do not enter into temptation" (Matthew 26:41).

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The Passover Lamb - Not A Bone That Was Broken - Exodus 12:7,12,22,46, John 1:29; 19:32-33

The New Covenant (Luke 22:20) - Living Water

An Unblemished Sacrifice - Without Sin - Perfect - 1 Peter 1:17-21

The Passover

The Veil is Torn - Luke 24

### **Saturday**

Nonbelievers sought to deny Jesus' deity and to stop His fame (Matthew 27:62-66), but no-one and no-thing could prevent Jesus' resurrection. May we rejoice that nothing can "separate us from the love of Christ" (Romans 8:35).

The Feast of Unleavened Bread - Exodus 12:14-20

His Broken Body (Luke 22:19) The Bread of Life - John 6:33-35  
The Cup of Sanctification, Plagues, Redemption, Acceptance - Exodus 6:6-7, Matthew 26:29, Revelation 19:9

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After Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, people encountered the resurrected Jesus and felt their "hearts burn within" them while Jesus talked with them and opened the Scriptures to them "The Lord has risen indeed!" (Luke 24:32,34)

May we long for the day when He returns, but until that day, may we be worshipping Him "with great joy" and "continually...blessing God" (Luke 24:52).

The Feast of First Fruits

Psalm 115-118 - A Song of Praise -  
Delivered from Slavery to Freedom

### **Pentecost**