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Survey Of The Bible I

Genesis-Deuteronomy



Lev 8-11

- Lev 8 details the consecration of the priests cf. (Num 8:5-26) where the Levites are consecrated
- The consecration follows the same order prescribed in Exo 29:
 - ✓ There is WASHING (8:6) cf. (Exo 29:4)
 - ✓ There is CLOTHING (8:7-9,13) cf. (Exo 29:5-6,8-9)
 - ✓ There is ANOINTING (8:12,30) cf. (Exo 29:7,21)
 - ✓ There are OFFERINGS (8:14-29) cf. (Exo 29:10-28)
 - ✓ There is EATING (8:31-32) cf. (Exo 29:31-34)
 - ✓ There is SEPARATION (8:33-36) cf. (Exo 29:35)
- The consecration described here is POSITIONAL not practical since the priests did not consecrate themselves, Moses did (in the office of priest himself), as a type of Christ
- To ANOINT means to POUR UPON (8:12) cf. (1 John 2:27; Acts 10:45)
- The blood of the other ram of the burnt offering was applied to the right extremities (ear, hand, and foot) (8:23)
- In order to see the glory of the Lord, one must ATONED for (9:7) and OBEDIENT to the Lord's command (9:6)





Lev 8-11

- Lev 9 describes the sin offering, burnt offering, and peace offering for the priests and people in order for the Lord to appear among them
 - The first time the glory of the Lord appears to all the people in a POSITIVE context (9:23)
 - The commandment not to offer strange INCENSE was given (Exo 30:9), but the commandment of HOW the fire was to be kindled wasn't given until later (16:12)
 - If Nadab and Abihu did not know what the acceptable means of kindling the fire was in the eyes of the Lord, they should not have done anything; instead, they acted presumptuously and the Lord killed them (10:1-2)- to make matters worse, intoxication may have attributed to their actions (10:8-11)
 - STRANGE FIRE typifies any carnal or presumptuous means used to express worship and praise to the Lord
 - STRONG DRINK = Heb. *Shekar* = “an intoxicant; an intensely alcoholic liquor”- the word appears 22x in the OT; 21x it is translated STRONG DRINK, 1x it is translated STRONG WINE (Num 28:7)
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Lev 8-11

Two Reasons The Priests Were Not To Drink Any Alcohol

1. To have the faculty of sound judgment (10:10)
 2. To be the faculty of sound teaching (10:11)
- The Roman Catholic Church has a priest class, contrary to the NT (1 Pet 2:5,9) but their “priesthood” is also contrary to the OT Levitical priesthood- the Levitical priests were to **ABSTAIN** from **WINE** (10:9) but were **ALLOWED** to have **WIVES** (Lev 21:7,14); but Roman Catholic priests are **ALLOWED** to have **WINE** but must **ABSTAIN** from **WIVES**
 - The result: an unscriptural “priesthood” filled with drunkards and sexual deviants
 - The law of the sin offering mandated that the priests eat the sin offering in the holy place as long as the blood was not brought into the holy place (6:26,30); but Aaron, Eleazar, and Ithamar did not do so with the sin offering (9:15), but allowed it to get burnt (10:16)
 - Aaron indicates the reason for the oversight was their grief stricken state over the death of Nadab and Abihu, and Moses accepts it (10:19-20)
 - The dietary laws for Israel covered the entire 4-fold division of the animal kingdom: (1) **BEASTS/CATTLE** (11:2-8); (2) **FISH** (11:9-12); (3) **FOWLS** (11:13-25); and (4) **CREEPING THINGS** (11:29-45) cf. (Gen 1:26)





Lev 8-11

The Dietary Restrictions Within Each Division Of The Animal Kingdom

1. The BEASTS (and CATTLE) of the EARTH = must be cloven footed (i.e.- part/divide the hoof) and chew the cud (11:3)- Notable prohibitions: small game (e.g.- squirrel and rabbit) and swine (i.e.- all pork products)
 2. The FISH of the WATERS = must have fins and scales (11:9)- Notable prohibitions: all shellfish (e.g.- crab, lobster, clams, oysters), shrimp, squid, and catfish
 3. The FOWLS of the AIR = must not be a bird of prey (11:13-19) or quadruped (e.g.- bat) (11:19-20) – Notable permissions: chicken, turkey, pheasant, quail, and even locusts, grasshoppers, and beetles, which have SIX legs (11:22)
 4. The CREEPING THINGS of the EARTH = whether it goes upon its belly (e.g.- snail, snake); four legs (e.g.- weasel, mouse, tortoise, lizard); or more than four legs (i.e.- all insects, which have six legs and all spiders and scorpions, which have eight legs) ALL were prohibited (11:41-42)
- While the dietary restrictions under the Law were done away in Christ (Rom 14:17; Col 2:14-16,20-22; 1 Tim 4:4), there may be some long-term health benefits to limiting consumption of the things prohibited

