

SERMON OUTLINE

In Leviticus 10:1-20 we observe the LORD's holiness on display through 2 priestly acts.

- I. Sin enters the camp through priestly disobedience.
 - A. The sin: unauthorized fire (v. 1).
 - B. The judgment: death (v. 2).
 - C. The reason: righteous jealousy (v. 3).
 - D. The aftermath: obedience (vs. 4-7).
- II. Righteousness is restored through priestly obedience.
 - A. The LORD speaks to Aaron.
 - 1. Stay sober on duty (vs. 8-9).
 - 2. Discern ritual states (v. 10).
 - 3. Teach the people (v. 11).
 - B. Moses speaks to Aaron & his sons.
 - 1. About proper procedure for the grain offering (vs. 12-15).
 - 2. About proper procedure for the sin offering (vs. 16-20).

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

In preparation for Sunday, July 28, 2019

Passage: Leviticus 10:1-20

Memory Passage: Leviticus 10:1-2

DAY 1 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 10:1-20.** Compare and contrast chapter 10 with chapter 9 (i.e. write down similarities and differences).
- (b) Did Nadab and Abihu have the authority to put fire and incense in their sensor and offer it to the LORD? Explain.
- (c) What was “unauthorized” (lit. “strange, foreign” cf. Deut. 25:5 & Prov. 2:16) about the fire they offered?
- (d) What is the most important phrase in v. 1 and why?

DAY 2 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 10:1-20.** You see it, don't you? The frightful similarity between 9:24 & 10:2? What does this tell you about the LORD? What does the phrase “before the LORD” tell you about this situation?
- (b) Are you surprised by His reaction to Nadab & Abihu's disobedience? Does it shock you? If so, why? Should it?
- (c) Explain v. 3, including how it informs Aaron (and you) about the reason for the LORD's actions.
- (d) Why does Aaron “hold his peace” (v. 3), and what does this mean?

DAY 3 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 10:1-20.** What is the most noticeable, primary difference between the actions of Mishael and Elzaphan when compared to the actions of Nadab & Abihu?
- (b) Why must the dead bodies be removed from the tent of meeting?
- (c) Why must Aaron and his sons (1) not mourn over these deaths and (2) remain in the tent of meeting? Why would violating either of these bring death upon them and wrath upon the entire congregation?
- (d) What does the “anointing oil” have to do with all of this?

DAY 4 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 10:1-20.** Why is “wine” and “strong drink” prohibited for priests while on duty? Is this prohibition connected with vs. 10-11? Verse 1? Both? Something else?
- (b) Explain what the priests are to do according to vs. 10-11 (explain each responsibility, don't just recite the verse).
- (c) Do verses 12-15 teach you anything new about the priests and the peace offering? If so, what?
- (d) Explain why Moses was so upset about the “goat of the sin offering.” What happened to it, and what should have happened to it?
- (e) What was Aaron's response to Moses, and why did Moses “approve” of what was done?

DAY 5 – ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 10:1-20, Rom. 12:2; 1 Cor. 2:14, Eph. 5:18; Phil. 1:10, 1Thess. 5:7-8, 1 Tim. 3:3, 8, Titus 2:1-8, Hebrews 12:28-29, & 1 Pet. 1:13-16.** Today your task is to write down at least 10 applications from Leviticus 10 as you consider these NT passages. You will see different ties to Leviticus 10 as you read these NT commands to believers, and your goal is to draw out specific applications that flow from the narrative of Leviticus 10 in light of these commands. These applications will be great conversation starters in your Sunday school classes!

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Strange Fire? Consuming Fire!