

02-28-2021 Of Priests and Offerings

Leviticus 21 – Specific Instructions for the Priests

A. Laws for priests in general.

1. Priests are forbidden from touching dead bodies. (1-4)
2. Priests must not imitate the mourning practices of the pagans. (5)
3. The marriage practices of priests. (6-9)

B. Requirements regarding the high priest and the selection of priests.

1. The responsibility of the high priest. (10-15)
2. Ministering priests must be free from physical defects. (16-24)

Leviticus 22 – More Specific Instructions for Priests

A. Things that might defile a priest.

1. The need for ceremonial purity. (1-3)
2. Examples of things that might defile a priest. (4-8)
3. Summary of the command for ritual purity among the priests. (9)
4. Only the priest and his household could eat of the offerings. (10-13)
5. Restitution for the accidental eating of the holy offering. (14-16)

B. Examples of unacceptable sacrifices.

1. The principle – offerings must be made without blemish or defect. (17-21)
2. Specific blemishes from birth defect or disease to be rejected. (22-23)
3. Blemishes from castration to be rejected. (24-25)
4. When animals may be offered as sacrifices. (26-30)
5. Call to Holiness (31-33)

Lev 22:32-33

And you shall not profane my holy name, that I may be sanctified among the people of Israel. I am the LORD who sanctifies you,³³ who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God: I am the LORD.”

Losing Our Way

Malachi 1:6-14

Examples of the sons of Eli

I Samuel 1-3

Romans 1:21

For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

The call on our lives is to:

▶ Give _____

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