

Leviticus 10:1–20
God Requires Holiness not Hypocrisy
March 31, 2013
Sermon Outline

Notes:

I. Introduction

- A. Children’s Sermon: What is a hypocrite?
1. Someone who pretends to be something they are not to fool others
 2. Someone who really thinks they love and serve God but do not

Matthew 7:21–23

²¹ “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, ***but the one who does the will of my Father*** who is in heaven.

- B. Which Kind of Hypocrite were Aaron’s sons?

II. God Must be Regarded as Holy!

- A. Why were Aaron and his remaining sons not permitted to mourn?
- B. The Specific Duty at Hand
1. Eating the holy food

Leviticus 10:12-11

¹² Moses spoke to Aaron and to Eleazar and Ithamar, his surviving sons: “***Take that is left of the LORD’s food offerings, and eat it unleavened beside the altar, for it is most holy.*** ¹³ ***You shall eat it in a holy place, because it is your due and your sons’ due, from the LORD’s food offerings, for so I am commanded.***

¹⁴ **But** the breast that is waved and the thigh that is contributed you shall eat in a clean place, you and your sons and your daughters with you...”

- a. Distinguishing the holy food from the clean food
- b. How does this point to Jesus?
 - 1) Eating the holy food
 - 2) Feeding his family

John 4:34

...“**My food** is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work.

John 19:28–30

²⁸ After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now finished, said (*to fulfill the Scripture*), “**I thirst.**” ²⁹ A jar full of sour wine stood there, so they put a sponge full of the sour wine on a hyssop branch and held it to his mouth. ³⁰ When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “**It is finished,**” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Psalm 69:21

²¹ They gave me poison for food, and *for my thirst they gave me sour wine* to drink.

2. Bearing the sin of the people...

Leviticus 10:16-18

¹⁶ Now Moses diligently inquired about **the goat of the sin offering**, and behold, it was burned up! And he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the surviving sons of Aaron, saying, ¹⁷ “**Why have you not eaten the sin offering**, since it is a thing *most holy* and has been given to you that you may **bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them** before the LORD?” ¹⁸ Behold, *its blood was not brought into the inner part of the sanctuary.* (Lev. 4; 6) You certainly ought to have eaten it in the sanctuary, as I commanded.”

Leviticus 6:30

³⁰ But **no sin offering shall be eaten** *from which any blood is brought into the tent of meeting to make atonement in the Holy Place; it shall be burned up with fire.*

- a. What is **Atonement**?
- b. What does He mean by “**bear the iniquity**” of the people?
- c. How does this point to Jesus?

- * Jesus makes satisfaction (penalty & obedience)

C. Obedient Hands and Hearts

Leviticus 10:19-20

¹⁹ And Aaron said to Moses, “Behold, today they have offered their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD, and yet such things as these have happened to me! *If I had eaten the sin offering today, would the LORD have approved?*” ²⁰ And when Moses heard that, he approved.

“He supposed that ... his being at this time overwhelmed with sorrow, would render him unfit to eat of the holy things; that he could not do it without polluting them.” ¹

(Cf. Deut. 26:14; Hosea 9:4)

- a. How does this point to Jesus?
 - 1) OT priesthood was a picture, not the real thing
 - 2) Jesus never disqualified himself!
 - 3) Jesus was approved by God!

III. Our Response to our Savior

A. Grace Produces Real Holiness

“Grace was never meant to dispense with holiness, but to produce and nourish it.” ²

Key Idea

*We have been saved by the obedient death of Jesus **from** a lawless self-centeredness **to** a whole-hearted God-centered holiness.*

Titus 2:11–14

¹¹ *For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people,* ¹² *training us to renounce*

¹ Bush, G. (1852). *Notes, Critical and Practical, on the Book of Leviticus* (90). New York; Cincinnati; Auburn; Chicago; Detroit: Newman and Ivison; Moore & Anderson; J. C. Ivison & Co.; S. C. Griggs & Co.; A. McFarren.

² Kelly, W. (1902). *The Priesthood, Its Privileges and Its Duties: An Exposition of Leviticus 8–15* (52). London: T. Weston.

ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior **Jesus Christ**,¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are **zealous for good works**.

B. True Holiness Flows from the Heart

Isaiah 29:13

¹³ And the Lord said: “Because this people draw near with their mouth and ***honor me with their lips***, while ***their hearts are far from me...***”

Ezekiel 33:31–32

³¹ And they come to you as people come, and they sit before you as my people, and they hear what you say ***but they will not do it***; for with lustful talk in their mouths they act; *their heart is set on their gain*.³² And behold, you are to them like one who sings lustful songs with a beautiful voice and plays well on an instrument, for they hear what you say, ***but they will not do it***.

X-Ray Questions:³

1. What do you love? Hate?
2. What do you want, desire, crave, lust, and wish for? What desires do you serve and obey?
3. What do you seek, aim for, pursue? What are your goals and expectations?
9. What makes you tick? What sun does your planet revolve around? Where do you find your garden of delight? What lights up your world? What fountain of life, hope, and delight do you drink from? What food sustains your life? What really matters to you? What fairy castle do you construct in the clouds? What pipe dreams tantalize or terrify you? Around what do you organize your life? What magnetic north orients your world?

³ Powlison, David, “X-ray Questions: Drawing Out the Whys and Wherefores of Human Behavior,” *The Journal of Biblical Counseling*, Vol. 18, No. 1, 1999, pp. 2-9.