## "The Pentateuch" Leviticus 15-16 Wednesday March 17, 2010

Proverbs 30:5

Luke 12:7

A Holy Nation – 11-17 Uncleanness is incurred in the course of everyday life

Clean and unclean food - Lev 11

Childbirth – Lev 12

Diseases and defilement - Lev 13-15

The Day of Atonement – Lev 16

Lev 15:1-33 Sanctity: Lev 16:1-34 Atonement:

## Lev 15:1-33 Sanctity:

Lev 15:1-15 Unnatural Male Discharges: Lev 15:1-2

The key word in this chapter is "discharge, issue" used 24X.

Lev 15:3-12

Exodus 15:26

Lev 15:13-15

Lev 15:16-18 Natural Male Discharges:

Heb 13:4

This is simply God's reminder of the pollution of nature; of the fact that the nature of humanity is fallen and that man cannot solve his problems himself.

Lev 15:19-24 Natural Female Discharges: Lev 15:19

Unclean is what we call being "out of fellowship." There is a break in communion with the Spirit of God.

Lev 15:20-24

Lev 15:25-33 Unnatural Female Discharges:

Romans 15:4

Key Chapter – Lev. 16 The Day of Atonement. (Yom Kippur)

His words to us are still, "Be holy, for I am holy!"

## Lev 16:1-34 Atonement:

Lev 16:1-2

The Hebrew word Kapar, translated "atonement," is used 16X in Leviticus 16; and it basically means "to ransom, to remove by paying a price."

The sacrifices offered on the Day of Atonement brought a threefold cleansing:

- 1. To the High Priest and his family (Lev. 16:6, 17)
- 2. The People of Israel (v. 17)
- 3. The Tabernacle (vv. 16, 20, 33)

Lev 16:3-5

Lev 16:6,11-14 The High Priest Offers His Own Sin Offering: Lev 16:6

Lev 16: 7-10, 15-22 The High Priest Offers the Sin Offering for the People:

Lev 16:6,11-14 The High Priest Offers His Own Sin Offering: Lev 16:11-13

We need to remember that the ultimate goal of God's great plan of salvation is <u>not the good of people</u> but the <u>glory of God</u>

Lev 16:14

The word "blood" is used 9X in this chapter and 13X in Lev 17.

Matt. 26:28; Matt. 20:28

Lev 16:15-22 The High Priest Offers the Sin Offering for the People:

This goat is called "the scapegoat" (Verses 8, 10, 26), short for "escapegoat," that is, the goat that escaped death and escaped into the desert. The releasing of the goat symbolized the sins of the people being carried away, never to be held against them again.

Lev 16:23-24 The High Priest Washes Himself and Puts on His Official Garments:

Lev 16:25-31

James 4:8-10

Lev 16:32-34

## Application:

"Leviticus 15-16 reminds us of the pollution of nature, of the fact that the nature of humanity is fallen and that man cannot solve his problems himself. He desperately needs a Savior. And he passes on to his children the same fallen, twisted nature and tendencies which he himself is born with."