

Leviticus

OT Order

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Chapters

27

Section

The Law

Historical Setting

God speaks to Israel
at Mount Sinai

OVERVIEW:

Written by:

Moses:
The man of God

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The children of
Israel

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To teach
Holiness and
Separation

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Holy Offerings

Chapters 1-7

What was to be offered

Burnt Offering:

Expressing devotion wholly for the Lord

Meal Offering:

Expressing a life lived for the glory of God

Peace Offering:

Expressing the joy of peace with God

Sin Offering:

Making payment for sin

Trespass Offering:

Making reparation for trespasses

2

Holy Priesthood

Chapters 8-10

Who were to offer

The Priestly Consecration:

Priests: washed, clothed, sprinkled & anointed

The Priestly Separation:

Aaron & his sons set apart

The Priestly Vision:

The glory of the Lord appears

The Priestly Violation:

Nadab and Abihu sin against the Lord and die

3

Holy Practices

Chapters 11-27

How things were to be done

Practices in clean and unclean things:

Making distinction between holy and unholy

Practices in the Day of Atonement:

A special offering to keep the nation clean

Practices in the Feasts of Jehovah:

Annual feasts of celebration and thanksgiving

Practices in Vows and Tithes:

Conditions for blessing



Practical:

Because God is holy, His people must also live holy, sanctified lives to maintain fellowship with Him.

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The chiastic structure of Leviticus

ch.1-7 Ordances: Sacrifices

ch.8-10 Priests: Ordained

ch.11-15 Purity: in Body

ch.16-17 The day of Atonement

ch.18-20 Purity: in Conduct

ch.21-22 Priests: Qualifications

ch.23-25 Ordances: Feasts

ch.26-27 Summary of obedience, disobedience and the keeping of vows



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The Topical structure of Leviticus divides the book into 2 sections

Chapters 1-17 = The Worship of a Holy God

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By
Sacrifices

Chapter 1-7

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By
Priesthood

Chapter 8-10

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By
Ceremonial
Purification

Chapter 11-15

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By
an annual day
of Atonement

Chapter 16-17

Chapters 18-27 = The Walk before a Holy God

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Holiness
to be seen
in the people

Chapter 18-20

2

Holiness
to be seen
in the priesthood

Chapter 21-22

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Holiness
to be seen
in the feasts

Chapter 23-25

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Holiness
to be seen
in obedience

Chapter 26-27



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