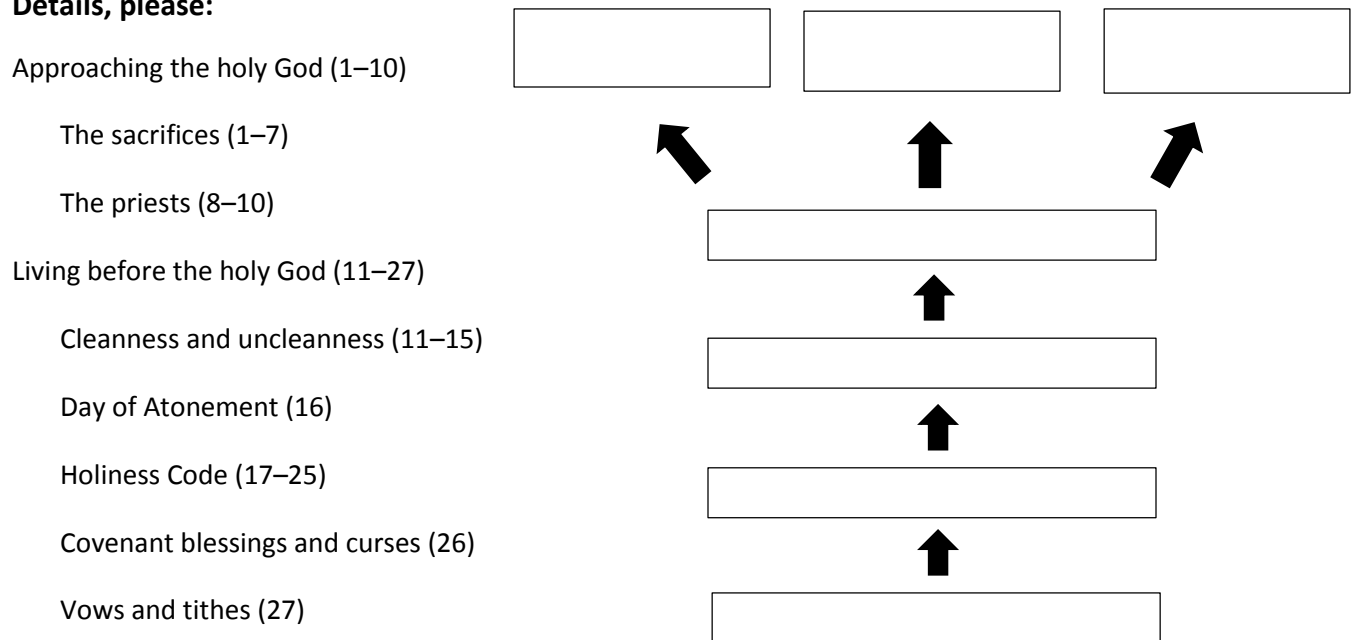


Exploring God’s Word: A Study of the 66 Books of the Bible

Leviticus:

- **Authorship:** Moses
- **Date:** 1445 BC
- **In 10 words or less:** A holy God explains how to worship Him.
- **Details, please:**



- **Quotable:**
 - For I am the LORD your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am holy. (11:44)
 - For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life. (17:11)
- **Unique and unusual:**
 - The laws (and two stories; see 8–10 and 24:10-23) recorded in Leviticus date to the one-month period immediately following the erection of the Tabernacle.
 - Leviticus’s blood sacrifices are contrasted with Jesus’ death on the cross by the writer of Hebrews: “He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself” (Hebrews 7:27).
- **So what?**
The sacrificial-mediatorial material in chapters 1–10 finds its fulfillment in the redemptive work of Christ, developed particularly in Hebrews 7–10. The resulting holy lifestyle of Leviticus 11–27 finds a NT counterpart in that Peter quotes Leviticus 11:44-45 (“Be holy, for I am holy”) as the Christian’s mandate (1 Pet. 1:15-16).



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Numbers:

- **Authorship:** Moses
- **Date:** 1445 BC
- **In 10 words or less:** Faithless Israelites wander forty years in the wilderness of Sinai.
- **Details, please:**
 - God's order established (1:1–10:10)
 - God's order tested (10:11–25:18)
 - Journey to Kadesh-Barnea (10:11–12:16)
 - Refusal to enter the land (13:1–14:45)
 - Various incidents and laws during the wilderness period (15:1–19:22)
 - Journey to Moab (20:1–21:35)
 - Balaam (22:1–25:18)
 - God's order perpetuated (26:1–36:13)
- **Quotable:**
 - ¹⁸The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression, but he will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, to the third and the fourth generation. (14:18)
- **Unique and unusual:**
 - Numbers is a book on leadership.
 - God demonstrates His leadership through organization. (1:1-10:10)
 - God demonstrates His leadership by overcoming opposition. (10:11-25:18)
 - God demonstrates His leadership through reinforcement. (26:1–36:13).
 - Even Moses misses out on the Promised Land, punishment for disobeying God by striking, rather than speaking to, a rock from which water would miraculously appear (20:1-13).
- **So what?**
 - God hates sin and punishes it. We can be thankful that Jesus took that punishment for us and provides the way of escape. (I Corinthians 10:1-13)