

FEBRUARY 3

Read Leviticus 10–12

CHAPTER 10

AND Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.

2 And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.

3. Then Moses said unto Aaron, This *is it* that the LORD spake, saying, I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified. And Aaron held his peace.

4 And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, Come near, carry your brethren from before the sanctuary out of the camp.

5 So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp; as Moses had said.

6 And Moses said unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons, Uncover not your heads, neither rend your clothes;

lest ye die, and lest wrath come upon all the people: but let your brethren, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which the LORD hath kindled.

7 And ye shall not go out from the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: for the anointing oil of the LORD *is* upon you. And they did according to the word of Moses.

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, saying,

9 Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations:

10 And that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

11 And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.

12 ¶ And Moses spake unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were left,

Take the meat offering that remaineth of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and eat it without leaven beside the altar: for it *is* most holy:

13 And ye shall eat it in the holy place, because it *is* thy due, and thy sons' due, of the sacrifices of the LORD made by fire: for so I am commanded.

14 And the wave breast and heave shoulder shall ye eat in a clean place; thou, and thy sons, and thy daughters with thee: for *they be* thy due, and thy sons' due, *which* are given out of the sacrifices of peace offerings of the children of Israel.

15 The heave shoulder and the wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave *it for* a wave offering before the LORD; and it shall be thine, and thy sons' with thee, by a statute for ever; as the LORD hath commanded.

16 ¶ And Moses diligently sought the goat of the sin offering, and, behold, it was burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron *which were* left *alive*, saying,

17 Wherefore have ye not eaten the sin offering in the holy place,

seeing it *is* most holy, and *God* hath given it you to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them before the LORD?

18 Behold, the blood of it was not brought in within the holy *place*: ye should indeed have eaten it in the holy *place*, as I commanded.

19 And Aaron said unto Moses, Behold, this day have they offered their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD; and such things have befallen me: and *if* I had eaten the sin offering to day, should it have been accepted in the sight of the LORD?

20 And when Moses heard *that*, he was content.

CHAPTER 11

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These *are* the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that *are* on the earth.

3 Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, *and* cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.

4 Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the hoof: *as*

the camel, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

5 And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

6 And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

7 And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he *is* unclean to you.

8 Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they *are* unclean to you.

9 ¶ These shall ye eat of all that *are* in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.

10 And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which *is* in the waters, they *shall be* an abomination unto you:

11 They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcasses in abomination.

12 Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that *shall be* an abomination unto you.

13 ¶ And these *are they which* ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they *are* an abomination: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,

14 And the vulture, and the kite after his kind;

15 Every raven after his kind;

16 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

17 And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl,

18 And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle,

19 And the stork, the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

20. All fowls that creep, going upon *all* four, *shall be* an abomination unto you.

21 Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon *all* four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth;

22 *Even* these of them ye may eat; the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and the beetle after his kind, and the grasshopper after his kind.

23 But all *other* flying creeping things, which have four feet, *shall be* an abomination unto you.

24 And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even.

25 And whosoever beareth *ought* of the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

26 *The carcasses* of every beast which divideth the hoof, and *is* not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, *are* unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.

27 And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of beasts that go on *all* four, those *are* unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even.

28 And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they *are* unclean unto you.

29 ¶ These also *shall be* unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth; the weasel, and the mouse, and the tortoise after his kind,

30 And the ferret, and the chameleon, and the lizard, and the snail, and the mole.

31 These *are* unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever

doth touch them, when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

32 And upon whatsoever *any* of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether *it be* any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel *it be*, wherein *any* work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.

33 And every earthen vessel, whereinto *any* of them falleth, whatsoever *is* in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.

34 Of all meat which may be eaten, *that* on which *such* water cometh shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every *such* vessel shall be unclean.

35 And every *thing* whereupon *any part* of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; *whether it be* oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: *for they are* unclean, and shall be unclean unto you.

36 Nevertheless a fountain or pit, *wherein there is* plenty of water, shall be clean: but that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.

37 And if *any part* of their car-

case fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it *shall be* clean.

38 But if *any* water be put upon the seed, and *any part* of their carcase fall thereon, it *shall be* unclean unto you.

39 And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even.

40 And he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

41 And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth *shall be* an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

42 Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon *all* four, or whatsoever hath more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they *are* an abomination.

43. Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

44 For I *am* the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I *am* holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

45 For I *am* the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I *am* holy.

46 This *is* the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:

47 To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten.

CHAPTER 12

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.

3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.

4 And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.

5 But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days.

6. And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring a lamb of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a

turtledove, for a sin offering, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:

7 Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make an atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood. This *is* the law for her that hath born a male or a female.

8 And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for her, and she shall be clean.

DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

In chapter 10 Nadab and Abihu, sons of Aaron, offer strange fire to the Lord. They offered this fire in self-will, without seeking or obeying God's directive in the matter. Their deaths were warnings against treating God's ordinances lightly and distorting His commandments concerning offerings. The seriousness of the sin is emphasized not only by the sudden death of the guilty, but by the command not to mourn for them.

God does not allow disobedience to His commands without punishment for that disobedience. When we, as children of God, continually disobey Him, we must be chastised. Nadab and Abihu were priests, yet God judged them for their disobedience. The severity of His judgment should be a lesson to every child of God.

Leviticus, as a manual of holiness, now sets forth the truth that holiness is required of God's redeemed people. The preflood distinction between clean and unclean animals (Genesis 7:2), included in the Mosaic Law, was based partly on reasons of physical health and religious principles, and was designed to mark Israel's separation from other people. God said, "Be ye holy; for I am holy." We are told in Romans 12:1, to "Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, accept-

able unto God, which is your reasonable service." Why? Because our bodies are the temple of the Holy Ghost (1 Corinthians 6:19), and it is God's desire that we not only be separated, but that we be vessels, clean and meet for the Master's use.

PROVERB FOR TODAY

"The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked" (Proverbs 10:11).

TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

ASSIGNMENT 5: For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 9.

HYMN FOR TODAY

O THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS

by **S. Trevor Francis, 1834-1925**

Who can fully grasp the dimensions of God's great love for us? Yet the Scriptures teach that we are to have a growing awareness of divine love. Love is the very heart and essence of God, not only for the lovely but for the vilest of sinners. Christ did not die merely to display God's love—He died because God is love (1 John 4:8). If the New Testament teaches us anything, it teaches us about God's love in searching for lost

men. Becoming a Christian in a very real sense is simply putting ourselves in the way of being found by God—to stop running from His loving pursuit.

As we mature in the Christian faith, we begin to realize that every situation that comes our way is an opportunity for God's love to be made more evident in our lives. Once we realize this, our attitude changes dramatically toward suffering people as well as toward ourselves when we are called to suffer. Then even during those times when our spiritual fervor declines and our devotion to God subsides, despite these shortcomings, God's love remains unfailing—continually working for our eternal good.

The author of this text, S. Trevor Francis, was a prominent lay leader with the Plymouth Brethren in England and was known as an effective devotional speaker throughout Great Britain and around the world.

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus—vast, unmeasured,
boundless, free!
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me,
underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy
love—
leading onward, leading homeward, to my glorious rest
above.*

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus—spread His praise from
shore to shore!
How He loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore.
How He watches o'er His loved ones, died to call them
all His own;
how for them He intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from
the throne.*

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of ev'ry love the
best!
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing; 'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus—'tis a heav'n of heav'ns
to me;
and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to Thee.*

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY

1809

THE BIRTHDAY OF FELIX MENDELSSOHN.

Pray a prayer of thanksgiving for good music. Listen to some good music today. In a world of rock and roll, how we need to return to good music.

1809

THE TERRITORY OF ILLINOIS WAS CREATED.

Perhaps you know some Christian people and Christian workers in the state of Illinois. Pray for God's blessings to rest on them. Pray for His power to be upon their ministry. Pray that they will reach souls for Christ.

Illinois, the land of Lincoln; Illinois, the land of Moody; Illinois, the land of Torrey; Illinois, the land of the Moody Institute; Illinois, the land of Moody Memorial Church; Illinois, the land of some of the greatest revivals that America has ever seen. Pray for God to bless Illinois and particularly the great city of Chicago.

1811

HORACE GREELEY WAS BORN.

1924

PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON DIED.

His last words were the words of John 3:16. Read John 3:16 today. Thank God for the promises contained therein. Someone has said that if the New Testament were the only Testament in the Bible; and if the Gospel of John were the only book in the New Testament; and if the third chapter were the only chapter in the Gospel of John; and if the sixteenth verse were the only verse in the third chapter—there would still be enough Gospel to save the world.

ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

1874

BLANCHE KELSO BRUCE ELECTED TO A FULL SIX-YEAR TERM in the U.S. Senate by the Mississippi legislature.

1948

ROSA INGRAM AND HER FOURTEEN- AND SIXTEEN-YEAR-OLD SONS CONDEMNED TO DEATH for the alleged murder of a white Georgian. Mrs. Ingram said she acted in self-defense.

1956

AUTHERINE J. LUCY ADMITTED TO UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA. She was suspended February 7 after a riot at the University and expelled February 29.

1964

SCHOOL OFFICIALS REPORTED THAT 464,000 BLACK AND PUERTO RICAN STUDENTS BOYCOTTED NEW YORK CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS. More than 267,000 were absent during second boycott, March 16.

A Christian Life:

JOHN BUNYAN

1628-1688

English Baptist preacher and writer. John Bunyan was born in Elstow, England, near Bedford, where he spent most of his life. Although today he is regarded as a literary genius, he had little formal education. At the age of 16, this rough and profane young man enlisted in the army of Parliament, and saw active duty during the English Civil War.

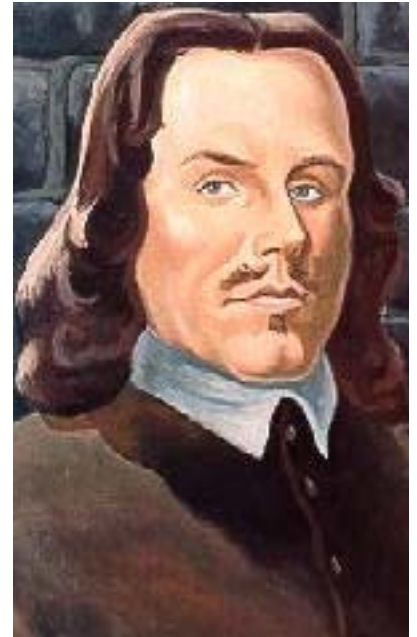
In 1647, at the age of 19, he married a young woman, who persuaded him to attend church with her regularly, where he heard the Gospel. After deep and prolonged soul struggle, he made a complete surrender to Christ, and was converted, after which he was baptized and joined the Baptist church of Bedford.

Soon, he began to preach there and also in the surrounding villages, which caused the people to recognize in him elements of leadership as well as ability as an expositor of the Scriptures. Continuing in his trade as a tinker, he witnessed wherever he went, in addition to spending his holidays and Sundays preaching in barns, shops, village greens, as well as in the open air.

Soon great crowds began to follow him, which led to his arrest and imprisonment in 1660 for conducting a “conventicle”—religious meeting without the permission of the State Church. When offered his freedom if he would promise not to preach, he refused and chose jail. While in prison, he studied, preached, wrote, and supported his family by making and selling shoelaces. It was while a prisoner that he wrote his immortal *Pilgrim’s Progress* in 1672.

He was released and immediately resumed his ministry. During the last 16 years of his life, he was active as pastor, writer, helper, counselor, organizer, administrator, and pastor-in-chief to a multitude of churches and young ministers. Bunyan was a champion for the cause of religious liberty and freedom of conscience in spiritual matters. One who knew him well wrote, “The grace of God was magnified in him and by him, and a rich anointing of the Spirit was upon him. And yet this great saint was always, in his own eyes, the chiefest of sinners and the poorest of saints.”

He died in 1688 after riding 40 miles in a driving rain on horseback to London to preach. He was always a poor man, yet, through his example, his ministry, and especially his pen, he bequeathed inestimable riches to posterity.



The Treasure Path to Soul Winning

**MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS:
ASSURANCE BASED ON THE FACT OF CHRIST'S RESURRECTION**
(Assignment 5)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each morning, and five times each evening, for seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scripture Reference, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see "The Treasure Path to Soul Winning" link back on the DailyKJV.com page.)

Empty Tomb.

() Matthew 28:6

He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

Resurrected according to Old Testament Scripture.

() 1 Corinthians 15:4

And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.

Seen of Peter and then with the twelve apostles.

() 1 Corinthians 15:5

And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve.

Five hundred eye-witnesses in one gathering.

() 1 Corinthians 15:6

After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.

Many witnessed His ascension.

() Acts 1:9 (see Acts 1:10,11)

And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up and a cloud received him out of their sight.