FEBRUARY 5

Read Leviticus 16–18

CHAPTER 16

AND the LORD spake unto Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered before the LORD, and died;

- 2 And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy *place* within the vail before the mercy seat, which *is* upon the ark; that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat.
- 3 Thus shall Aaron come into the holy *place*: with a young bullock for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering.
- 4 He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these *are* holy garments; therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and *so* put them on.
- 5. And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

- 6 And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and make an atonement for himself, and for his house.
- 7 And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
- 8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the scapegoat.
- 9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD'S lot fell, and offer him *for* a sin offering.
- 10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make an atonement with him, *and* to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.
- 11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which *is* for himself:
- 12 And he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from off

the altar before the LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring *it* within the vail:

13 And he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that *is* upon the testimony, that he die not:

14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle *it* with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward; and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times.

15 ¶ Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that *is* for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:

16 And he shall make an atonement for the holy *place*, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

17 And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy *place*, until he

come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel.

18 And he shall go out unto the altar that *is* before the LORD, and make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar round about.

19 And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.

20 ¶ And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy *place*, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat:

21 And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness:

22 And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness.

- 23 And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy *place*, and shall leave them there:
- 24 And he shall wash his flesh with water in the holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offering of the people, and make an atonement for himself, and for the people.
- 25 And the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar.
- 26 And he that let go the goat for the scapegoat shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the camp.
- 27 And the bullock *for* the sin offering, and the goat *for* the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy *place*, shall *one* carry forth without the camp; and they shall burn in the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung.
- 28 And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.
- 29 ¶ And *this* shall be a statute for ever unto you: *that* in the sev-

- enth month, on the tenth *day* of the month, ye shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, *whether it be* one of your own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you:
- 30 For on that day shall *the priest* make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, *that* ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD.
- 31 It *shall be* a sabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls, by a statute for ever.
- 32 And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall consecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen clothes, *even* the holy garments:
- 33 And he shall make an atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make an atonement for the tabernacle of the congregation, and for the altar, and he shall make an atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.
- 34 And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make an atonement for the children of Israel for all their sins once a year. And he did as the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAPTER 17

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

- 2 Speak unto Aaron, and unto his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them; This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded, saying,
- 3 What man soever *there be* of the house of Israel, that killeth an ox, or lamb, or goat, in the camp, or that killeth *it* out of the camp,
- 4 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer an offering unto the LORD before the tabernacle of the LORD; blood shall be imputed unto that man; he hath shed blood; and that man shall be cut off from among his people:
- 5 To the end that the children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, which they offer in the open field, even that they may bring them unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest, and offer them *for* peace offerings unto the LORD.
- 6 And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of the LORD *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and burn the fat for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

- 7 And they shall no more offer their sacrifices unto devils, after whom they have gone a whoring. This shall be a statute for ever unto them throughout their generations.
- 8 ¶ And thou shalt say unto them, Whatsoever man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers which sojourn among you, that offereth a burnt offering or sacrifice,
- 9 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer it unto the LORD; even that man shall be cut off from among his people.
- 10 ¶ And whatsoever man *there* be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.
- 11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it *is* the blood *that* maketh an atonement for the soul.
- 12 Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.

- 13 And whatsoever man *there be* of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, which hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.
- 14 For *it is* the life of all flesh; the blood of it *is* for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh *is* the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.
- 15 And every soul that eateth that which died of itself, or that which was torn with beasts, whether it be one of your own country, or a stranger, he shall both wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean.
- 16 But if he wash *them* not, nor bathe his flesh; then he shall bear his iniquity.

CHAPTER 18

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

- 2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am the LORD your God.
- 3 After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after the doings of the

- land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their ordinances.
- 4 Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I *am* the LORD your God.
- 5 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a man do, he shall live in them: I *am* the LORD.
- 6 ¶ None of you shall approach to any that is near of kin to him, to uncover *their* nakedness: I am the LORD.
- 7 The nakedness of thy father, or the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover: she *is* thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
- 8 The nakedness of thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it *is* thy father's nakedness.
- 9 The nakedness of thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother, whether she be born at home, or born abroad, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.
- 10 The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for theirs *is* thine own nakedness.
 - 11 The nakedness of thy father's

- wife's daughter, begotten of thy father, she *is* thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
- 12 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she *is* thy father's near kinswoman.
- 13 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for she *is* thy mother's near kinswoman.
- 14 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach to his wife: she *is* thine aunt.
- 15 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she *is* thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
- 16 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it *is* thy brother's nakedness.
- 17 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; *for* they *are* her near kinswomen: it *is* wickedness.
- 18 Neither shalt thou take a wife to her sister, to vex *her*, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life *time*.
- 19. Also thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her

- nakedness, as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.
- 20 Moreover thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, to defile thyself with her.
- 21 And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through *the fire* to Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.
- 22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it *is* abomination.
- 23 Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it *is* confusion.
- 24 Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you:
- 25 And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.
- 26 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit *any* of these abominations; *neither* any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you:
- 27 (For all these abominations have the men of the land done,

which were before you, and the land is defiled;)

28 That the land spue not you out also, when ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that *were* before you.

29 For whosoever shall commit any of these abominations, even

the souls that commit *them* shall be cut off from among their people.

30 Therefore shall ye keep mine ordinance, that *ye* commit not *any one* of these abominable customs, which were committed before you, and that ye defile not yourselves therein: I *am* the LORD your God.

DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, the fast (Acts 27:9), on the tenth day of the seventh month, marked the climax of access to God under the old covenant. It was the most solemn day of the entire year, when the High Priest entered the Holy of Holies to make annual atonement for the sins of the nation. Hebrews 10 is the New Testament commentary on this chapter, and should be read in conjunction with today's reading. The High Priest made three visits into the Holy of Holies on this day: First, to burn the incense; then with the blood of his own sin offering; and finally, with the blood of the sin offering for the people. Before any blood was taken into the Holy of Holies, the incense was first taken in. Why? Because the burning of the incense before the Mercy Seat symbolized the praise and glory of God.

The Priest had to bring the blood of his offering to the Mercy Seat. The blood shed was not enough; it had to be sprinkled at the Mercy Seat. This atoned for the High Priest and his household, and thus made him a fit person to offer the sin offering for the people. All of this was preparation for the main task of the day, the offering of the sin offering for the nation.

Verse 20 of chapter 16 indicates that the blood of the sin offering "reconciled" the people and the Tabernacle to God (see Hebrews 9:23,24). Having applied the blood, the High Priest then took the live goat, laid his hands on its head and confessed the sins of the people, thus symbolically transferring their guilt to the innocent animal. The word "scapegoat" comes from a Hebrew word which means "to remove." This goat was then sent away into the wilderness, never to be seen again. This illustrated the removal of the nation's sins. Of course, these rituals did not remove sin, since they had to be repeated year after year, but they illustrated what Christ would do when He died ONCE for the sins of the world. The

believing Israelite was saved by his faith, just as we are saved by faith.

Chapter 17:11 is a key verse of the Bible, for it emphatically states that the only way of atonement is through the blood. Long before science discovered the marvel of blood, the Bible taught that the life is in the blood. We live in a day when "modernists" reject the doctrine of the blood of Christ. They call it "slaughterhouse religion." It needs to be made clear that the Bible is a book of blood, from Genesis (where God slew animals to clothe Adam and Eve) to Revelation (where John beheld Christ "as a Lamb that was slain"). It is not Christ the Example or Christ the Teacher who saves us; it is Christ the Lamb of God, crucified for the sins of the world.

PROVERB FOR TODAY

"Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children; for blessed are they that keep my ways" (Proverbs 8:32).

TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

ASSIGNMENT 6: For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 9.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

PAUL PARKER VALENCIA BELL

HYMN FOR TODAY

IMMORTAL LOVE—FOREVER FULL by John Greenleaf Whittier, 1807-1892

The Bible teaches that the three cardinal virtues of the Christian life are *faith*, *hope*, *charity*, with charity as the greatest (1 Corinthians 13:13). These virtues in a person's life are the most convincing evidences of a personal relationship with Christ. True faith must always lead to a life of love for God and others. It also gives purpose for this life and the glorious hope

of spending eternity with our King of Love. Our love relationship with others should be characterized as sacrificial, sensitive, and sharing. We should relate to people even as Jesus did. He loved individuals simply for themselves and met and accepted them at the place of their personal need.

In 1867 John Greenleaf Whittier, a Quaker and recognized as one of America's finest poets, wrote a 38 stanza poem titled "Our Master." This hymn text with its emphasis upon the constancy of God's immortal love was taken from that poem. It was Whittier who once stated "a good hymn is the best use to which poetry can be directed." The musical setting by William V. Wallace, a Scottish violinist and composer, was adapted from a longer love song, "Waft, Ye Winds," written by Wallace in 1856.

Immortal Love—forever full, forever flowing free, forever shared, forever whole, a never ebbing sea!

We may not climb the heav'nly steeps to bring the Lord Christ down;

in vain we search the lowest deeps, for Him no depths can drown.

But warm, sweet, tender, even yet a present help is He; and faith has still its Olivet, and love its Galilee.

The healing of His seamless dress is by our beads of pain;

we touch Him in life's throng and press, and we are whole again.

Thru Him the first fond prayers are said our lips of childhood frame;

the last low whispers of our dead are burdened with His name.

O Lord and Master of us all, whate'er our name or sign, we own Thy sway, we hear Thy call, we test our lives by Thine!

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY 1861 THE FIRST MOVIE PROJECTOR WAS INVENTED.

1900 ADLAI STEVENSONWAS BORN.

1837 THE BIRTHDAY OF DWIGHT MOODY. Moody was born on Tuesday. Interestingly enough, this was also his mother's birthday.

1901 THE BIRTHDAY OF G.BEAUCHAMP VICK.

Dr. G.B. Vick was one of the great men of the past generation. Pastor of one of the world's largest churches, the great Temple Baptist Church in Detroit, and president of one of the great schools of our day, the Baptist Bible College of Springfield, Missouri, Dr. Vick led hundreds and thousands of people in God's work. He was one of the most humble men and yet one of the greatest organizers in the ministry. Let us thank God for his great ministry. Pray for the Baptist Bible Fellowship today and the many churches therein. Some of the greatest churches in the world and some of the finest preachers in the world are in this great fellowship.

1893 THE BIRTHDAY OF DR. FORD PORTER.

Dr. Porter was one of the patriarchs. His tract, "God's Simple Plan of Salvation," has gone around the world and has become the most popular tract ever written. He was one of the most warm-hearted Christians in the ministry. Pray that God's blessings will rest upon the tract, "God's Simple Plan of Salvation.

1812 ANN AND ADONIRAM JUDSON WERE MARRIED.

Of course, all Christians know the story behind this great missionary couple. Let us thank God for what they have done for the cause of Christ. Pray for God's blessings upon missionaries everywhere. Perhaps you know some missionaries today for whom you ought to pray. Ask God to bless them and give them power and grace and victory. Ann Judson's favorite verse was Romans 4:5, "But to him that worketh noth, but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness." It was by this verse that Ann Judson was converted.

ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY 1866

CONGRESSMAN THADDEUS STEVENS offered an amendment to Freedmen's Bureau bill authorizing the distribution of public land and confiscated land to freedmen and loyal refugees in forty acre lots. The measure was defeated in the House by a vote of 126 to 37.

The Treasure Path to Soul Winning

MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR SEVEN DAYS: MAN'S ENSLAVEMENT

(Assignment 6)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each mornin times each evening, for seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scrip ence, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see "The Treasure Path to Soul Winning" link b DailyKJV.com page.)	ture Refer
His Nature conceived in sin. () Psalms 51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.	
His will enslaved by sin. () Romans 3:9 What then? are we better than they? No, in no wise: for we have before proved both Jews tiles, that they are all under sin.	s and Gen
His nature corrupted by sin. () Romans 3:10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:	
His understanding darkened by sin. () Romans 3:11 (Eph. 4:18) There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.	
God's law demands he is guilty of sin. () Romans 3:19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.	e law: tha

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