

FEBRUARY 6

Read Leviticus 19–21

CHAPTER 19

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God *am* holy.

3 ¶ Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my sabbaths: I *am* the LORD your God.

4 ¶ Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I *am* the LORD your God.

5 ¶ And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, ye shall offer it at your own will.

6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if ought remain until the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire.

7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it *is* abominable; it shall not be accepted.

8 Therefore *every one* that eateth it shall bear his iniquity, because he hath profaned the hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

9 ¶ And when ye reap the har-

vest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest.

10 And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather *every* grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.

11 ¶ Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another.

12 ¶ And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.

13 ¶ Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob *him*: the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.

14 ¶ Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.

15 ¶ Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty:

but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour.

16 ¶ Thou shalt not go up and down *as* a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: *I am* the LORD.

17 ¶ Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.

18 ¶ Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: *I am* the LORD.

19 ¶ Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.

20 ¶ And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that *is* a bondmaid, betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; she shall be scourged; they shall not be put to death, because she was not free.

21 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, *even* a ram for a trespass offering.

22 And the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering before the LORD for his sin which he hath done: and the sin which he hath done shall be forgiven him.

23 ¶ And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as uncircumcised: three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of.

24 But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be holy to praise the LORD *withal*.

25 And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: *I am* the LORD your God.

26 ¶ Ye shall not eat *any thing* with the blood: neither shall ye use enchantment, nor observe times.

27 Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard.

28 Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: *I am* the LORD.

29 ¶ Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness.

30 ¶ Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.

31 ¶ Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I *am* the LORD your God.

32 ¶ Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.

33 ¶ And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not vex him.

34 *But* the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

35 ¶ Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.

36 Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.

37 Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: I *am* the LORD.

CHAPTER 20

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Again, thou shalt say to the children of Israel, Whosoever *he be* of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth *any* of his seed unto Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the land shall stone him with stones.

3 And I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to defile my sanctuary, and to profane my holy name.

4 And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from the man, when he giveth of his seed unto Molech, and kill him not:

5 Then I will set my face against that man, and against his family, and will cut him off, and all that go a whoring after him, to commit whoredom with Molech, from among their people.

6 ¶ And the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.

7 ¶ Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I *am* the LORD your God.

8 And ye shall keep my statutes,

and do them: I *am* the LORD which sanctify you.

9 ¶ For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood *shall be* upon him.

10 ¶ And the man that committeth adultery with *another* man's wife, *even he* that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

11 And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.

12 And if a man lie with his daughter in law, both of them shall surely be put to death: they have wrought confusion; their blood *shall be* upon them.

13 If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.

14 And if a man take a wife and her mother, it *is* wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.

15 And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.

16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.

17 And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it *is* a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his iniquity.

18 And if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness; he hath discovered her fountain, and she hath uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their people.

19 And thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's sister: for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall bear their iniquity.

20 And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die childless.

21 And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it *is* an unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.

22 ¶ Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue you not out.

23 And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them.

24 But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I *am* the LORD your God, which have separated you from *other* people.

25 Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.

26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD *am* holy, and have severed you from *other* people, that ye should be mine.

27 ¶ A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their blood *shall be* upon them.

CHAPTER 21

AND the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto the priests the sons of Aaron, and say unto them, There shall none be defiled for the dead among his people:

2 But for his kin, that is near unto him, *that is*, for his mother, and for his father, and for his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother,

3 And for his sister a virgin, that is nigh unto him, which hath had no husband; for her may he be defiled.

4 *But* he shall not defile himself, *being* a chief man among his people, to profane himself.

5 They shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh.

6 They shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of their God: for the offerings of the LORD made by fire, *and* the bread of their God, they do offer: therefore they shall be holy.

7 They shall not take a wife *that is* a whore, or profane; neither shall they take a woman put away from her husband: for he *is* holy unto his God.

8 Thou shalt sanctify him therefore; for he offereth the bread of thy God: he shall be holy unto thee: for I the LORD, which sanctify you, *am* holy.

9 ¶ And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

10. And *he that is* the high priest among his brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil was poured, and that is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not uncover his head, nor rend his clothes;

11 Neither shall he go in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his father, or for his mother;

12 Neither shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the crown of the anointing oil of his God *is* upon him: I *am* the LORD.

13 And he shall take a wife in her virginity.

14 A widow, or a divorced woman, or profane, *or* an harlot, these shall he not take: but he shall

take a virgin of his own people to wife.

15 Neither shall he profane his seed among his people: for I the LORD do sanctify him.

16 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

17 Speak unto Aaron, saying, Whosoever *he be* of thy seed in their generations that hath *any* blemish, let him not approach to offer the bread of his God.

18 For whatsoever man *he be* that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he that hath a flat nose, or any thing superfluous,

19 Or a man that is brokenfooted, or brokenhanded,

20 Or crookbackt, or a dwarf, or that hath a blemish in his eye, or be scurvy, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken;

21 No man that hath a blemish of the seed of Aaron the priest shall come nigh to offer the offerings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a blemish; he shall not come nigh to offer the bread of his God.

22 He shall eat the bread of his God, *both* of the most holy, and of the holy.

23 Only he shall not go in unto the vail, nor come nigh unto the

altar, because he hath a blemish; that he profane not my sanctuaries: for I the LORD do sanctify them.

24 And Moses told *it* unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel.

DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

These chapters primarily deal with the relationship and walk of God's earthly people. In Moses' day, great consideration was shown to the poor. Wages were paid daily, and loans and gifts were made to the needy. Gleanings were to be left in the harvest fields for the poor.

All through the Old Testament emphasis is placed on kindness to widows, orphans, and strangers. We also see that the judgments brought on certain sins were very severe. Many offenses were punishable by death. Some of these laws may seem very severe to us. However, if we could transport ourselves back to Moses' time, they probably would not seem severe enough. The Law given to Moses insisted on personal morality and equality, and had consideration for the old and young, for the slave, and for the enemy. It even covered health and food regulations. It showed a wisdom far in advance of any previous Law. Remember that the Law given by God was given as a school teacher or master to bring us to Christ (Galatians 3:24).

Chapter 19:18 was one of the highlights of Mosaic law, "...thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. I am the LORD." If we would simply obey this law, we would have fewer problems. In our fast-moving society, more often than not, next door neighbors rarely speak. Christians should make it a point to share the love of Jesus Christ with everyone they come in contact with. We should also be kind, helpful, and respectful to our neighbors. You might have a neighbor who is a drunkard, or a family living near you who is completely oblivious to God. God says that we should show them the love of God through our lives, our concern, and our love toward them. You might be God's instrument for winning them to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Let your neighbors become your concern, and let them see Christ through your daily actions.

PROVERB FOR TODAY

"He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth" (Proverbs 10:17).

TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

ASSIGNMENT 6: For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 10.

BIRTHDAYS TODAY

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HYMN FOR TODAY

THE LOVE OF GOD

**Words and Music by Frederick M. Lehman,
1868-1953**

Never has God's eternal love been described more vividly than in the words of this greatly loved hymn: "measureless," "strong," "evermore endure..."

The unusual third stanza of the hymn was a small part of an ancient lengthy poem composed in 1096 by a Jewish songwriter, Rabbi Mayer, in Worms, Germany. The poem, entitled "Hadamut," was written in the Arabic language. The lines were found one day in revised form on the walls of a patient's room in an insane asylum after the patient's death. The opinion has since been that the unknown patient, during times of sanity, adapted from the Jewish poem what is now the third verse of "The Love of God."

The words of this third stanza were quoted one day at a Nazarene camp meeting. In the meeting was Frederick M. Lehman, a Nazarene pastor, who described his reaction:

"The profound depths of the lines moved us to preserve the words for future generations. Not until we had come to California did this urge find fulfillment, and that at a time when circumstances forced us to hard manual labor. One day, during short intervals of inattention to our work, we picked up a scrap of paper and added the first two stanzas and chorus to the existing third verse lines."

Pastor Lehman completed the hymn in 1917. His daughter Claudia (Mrs. W.W. Mays) assisted him with the music.

*The love is God is greater far than tongue or pen can
ever tell,
It goes beyond the highest star and reaches to the low-
est hell,
The guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave His
Son to win:*

His erring child He reconciled and pardoned from his sin.

*When years of time shall pass away and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall,
When men, who here refuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mountains call,
God's love so sure shall still endure, all measureless and strong:
Redeeming grace to Adam's race—the saints' and angels' song.*

*Could we with ink the ocean fill and were the skies of parchment made,
Were ev'ry stalk on earth a quill and ev'ry man a scribe by trade
To write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry,
Nor could the scroll contain the whole tho stretched from sky to sky.*

Chorus:

*O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong!
It shall forevermore endure—the saints' and angels' song.*

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY

1788

MASSACHUSETTS ENTERED THE UNION.

Pray for God's people in this state. Pray for the Christians and preachers and Christian workers that you know in the state of Massachusetts.

1812

ADONIRAM JUDSON WAS ORDAINED TO PREACH.

It is very interesting that Adoniram Judson was married one day before he was ordained to preach. Few missionaries have suffered more for Christ than Adoniram Judson. Pray for missionaries today wherever they may be. Pray for the great mission boards. There are many faith mission boards and fundamental mission boards that need our prayers. Let us pray for God's blessings upon them today. Call some by name.

Also, it would be a wise idea to write some missionary today. Maybe you can even send an offering or gift. At least, you could send a word of encouragement. It may mean the difference between success and failure on a certain mission field.

1952

KING GEORGE VI DIED AND QUEEN ELIZABETH II BEGAN HER REIGN.

Pray for Queen Elizabeth today. Pray for kings and queens and national leaders everywhere. Pray for England who has mothered so many nations—including our own. Pray for the Christian work in England. So little evangelistic work is going on in this country today. England is the land of Spurgeon, the land of John Wesley, the land of Charles Wesley, the land of Whitefield, the land of hundreds of great men whose names are in the "hall of fame" for God's servants. Pray for the work in England today and God's servants there.

ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

1820

UNITED STATES POPULATION: 9,638,453.

Black population: 1,771,656 (18.4 per cent).

"MAYFLOWER OF LIBERIA," FIRST ORGANIZED EMIGRATION OF U.S. BLACKS BACK TO AFRICA, SAILED FROM NEW YORK CITY with eighty-six blacks. Ship arrived in Sierra Leone, March 9.

1866

A BLACK DELEGATION, LED BY FREDERICK DOUGLAS, called on President Johnson and urged ballots for former slaves. Meeting ended in disagreement and controversy after Johnson reiterated his opposition to black suffrage.

1867

PEABODY FUND ESTABLISHED TO PROMOTE BLACK EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH.

1958

CLIFTON R. WHARTON SR. CONFIRMED AS MINISTER TO RUMANIA. Career diplomat was the first black to head a U.S. embassy in Europe.

1961

JAIL-IN MOVEMENT STARTED IN ROCK HILL, S.C., when students refused to pay fines and requested jail sentences. Students Nonviolent Coordinating Committee urged southwide "Jail, No Bail" campaign.

1962

SUIT SEEKING TO BAR ENGLEWOOD, N.J., FROM MAINTAINING "RACIAL SEGREGATED" ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS filed in U.S. District Court.

THE STORY OF THE PSALMS

Psalm 11

AUTHOR: David.

THE STORY BEHIND THE PSALM:

For a time, David lived in the court of Saul. It was a time of testing, for David and his friends were in a definite minority. Anarchy and sin were so prevalent that David and his friends could not participate in much of the activity of the court. Because of this, they had to build their own little community within the court. They met periodically for fellowship and strength. They were hated by many, persecuted by others, and disliked by most. They were not understood, for they believed in living righteously. So in this sinful kingdom they built within the confines of the court a little righteous community where they could fellowship one with the other. We too live in a sinful age. Black has become so black and white has become so white that it has become almost impossible for the Christian to find any kind of secular organization or fellowship in which he may participate. Because of this, God has given us a little community called the New Testament church where we may have an empire within an empire, a kingdom within a kingdom, a city within a city, a community within a community. Here God's people meet. They fellowship, they sing, they give, they preach, they teach, they learn, and in a sense, build their lives around this community. The wise father will see to it that his family is built around the church. Our children should be able to choose their friends from church children. They should be able to fellowship within the church, date within the church, and, yes, even marry within this amazing little community called the New Testament church.

THE WAY IT WAS USED BY GOD'S PEOPLE:

This Psalm was used by God's people when they were in a minority. Notice verse 3, "If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" The answer is very simple—the righteous can flee to that institution, that only institution, whose foundation can never be destroyed, even our Saviour, the Rock of Ages.

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 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.)

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 and Gentiles, that they are all under sin.

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 law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.