

REL 1310 – Christian Scriptures

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Covenant and Law

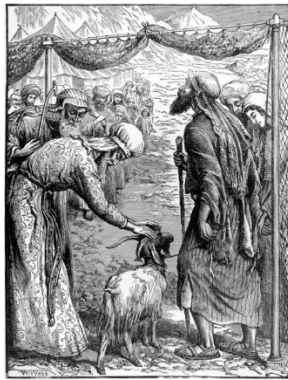


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Leviticus 1-7

- Instructions for animal sacrifices.

Leviticus 11-16

- Manual of Purity
- Includes the **Day of Atonement**, which is the annual event when two goats are brought before the priests. One is sacrificed and the other has all of Israel's sins placed on it. It is then sent away into the wilderness. This goat is the **scapegoat**.

Leviticus 17-26

- Includes the **Holiness Code**, which instructs Israel on how they should live their lives to be a holy community that is separate from the other peoples.

- Institutes festivals such as Passover and the **Year of Jubilee**.
- Year of Jubilee: One year out of every 50 would see the debts of Israelites forgiven (Add more).

Book of Numbers

- Gives instructions for the layout of the tabernacle, which would see the tabernacle at the center of the village while the tribes of Israel camped around it.
- The **Ark of the Covenant**, which contained the 10 Commandments, was housed inside the tabernacle.
- A local leader named Balak called on a prophet named Balaam to curse Israel. Instead, he blesses them.
- 12 spies are sent into the promised land of Canaan to see if Israel can move forward into the land. The spies report that the people are too large, and that they should not continue since they would lose the battles they face. The only spies who disagreed with this and wanted to move forward were Joshua and Caleb.
- Due to their lack of faith, they are doomed to wander in the wilderness for 40 years until their generation has passed away.

Deuteronomy

- Brings together the rest of the law in a summary.
- Moses dies in the end of the book.
- Before he dies, he calls Joshua to lead the people into the promised land of Canaan.

Test your knowledge!

Answers are at the bottom of the document.

- 1) What commonly used modern term comes from the book of Leviticus?
 - a. Pigeon holing
 - b. Fishing for men
 - c. Scapegoat
 - d. Thanksgiving
- 2) How often did the year of jubilee occur?
 - a. Every 7 years
 - b. Every 12 years
 - c. Every 40 years
 - d. Every 50 years
- 3) With which leaders do we see a transition of power in the book of Deuteronomy?
 - a. Moses -> Aaron
 - b. Moses -> Joshua
 - c. Joshua -> Caleb
 - d. Moses -> Miriam
- 4) Where was the ark of the covenant held in the book of Numbers?
 - a. In the temple in Jerusalem
 - b. In the tabernacle
 - c. In Cairo, Egypt
 - d. On top of Mount Sinai

Answers: 1) c. 2) d. 3) b. 4) b.