

/We will begin the fifth lecture on the Book of Leviticus. /We left off at Leviticus 10:2. /Aaron had two sons. /Nadab and Abihu died unfortunate deaths.

/We do not have the right to judge whether their deaths were right or wrong. /We just not claim that God's works are right or wrong. /God punished them because they did wrong.

/Aaron's sons died, and yet, he could not speak. /Moses, the leader, harshly rebuked Aaron. /In verse 3, it says that Aaron remained silent.

/Aaron's two sons, whom he loved, died. /They died while worshiping God. /Yet, Aaron did not mourn. /It says, Aaron remained silent. /Aaron had an uncle named Uzziel.

/Moses called Uzziel and Elzaphan. /Verse 4 says that Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan. /Moses told them to take their dead cousins outside the camp. /They carried them, still in their tunics, outside the camp.

/What does it say in verse 6?

/Read verse 6. /Then Moses said to Aaron and his sons Eleazar and Ithamar, "Do not let your hair become unkempt, and do not tear your clothes, or you will die and the LORD will be angry with the whole community. But your relatives, all the house of Israel, may mourn for those the LORD has destroyed by fire.

/"Do not let your hair become unkempt, and do not tear your clothes." /This meant that Aaron was not to let his feelings overtake him and cry in sadness. /This incident was not something to be sad over. /If he obeyed this, he would avoid death.

/God was angry. /The people needed to be careful so that God's wrath would not be poured out onto them. /Then the people mourned for this incident. /Why did something like this happen?

/Aaron's two sons died because they offered an unauthorized fire before God. /Let's read from verse 8.

/Verses 8-11. /Then the LORD said to Aaron, "You and your sons are not to drink wine or other fermented drink whenever you go into the Tent of Meeting, or you will die. This is a lasting ordinance for the generations to come. You must distinguish between the holy and the common, between the unclean and the clean, and you must teach the Israelites all the decrees the LORD has given them through Moses."

/God spoke to Aaron directly. /There were things that Aaron and his descendants were to keep. /They were things that the high priest and the priests needed to observe before God.

/They were not to drink alcohol. /They were not to drink wine or other fermented drink. /Why did God say this? /We can imagine what kind of offering they gave to God.

/It can be assumed that they gave an offering to God while they were drunk. /They gave an offering to God, not with straight minds, but without discernment. /What does the Bible say?

/Proverbs 12:31. /It means, do not drink wine. /Do not even gaze at wine. /What is wine? /It is an alcoholic beverage. /It is not food.

/Alcohol makes people drunk. /It makes them lose discernment. /Ephesians 5:18. /Drunkenness leads to debauchery. /Then what if you only have one glass?

/Don't you get drunk even if you have one glass? /One glass may not make you drunk. /What about two glasses? /What about ten glasses of alcohol? /If anyone does not get drunk over one glass, he may not get drunk over ten glasses.

/He may not get drunk over a hundred glasses. /Yet, one glass of alcohol would already make you that much drunk. /That is debauchery. /Revelation 17:1.

/The kings of the world became drunk on the wine of the prostitute. /The things of the world are like the wine of the prostitute. /It makes people drunk. /What does it mean to make drunk? /It means to fall to drunkenness.

/One fails to move by his will when he gets drunk. /He loses discernment. /He falls deep into drunkenness. /This also means that one becomes secularized. /We must not be in conditions where we cannot discern holy things from vulgar things.

/Anyone who drank wine and gave an offering to God would be put to death. /This is a regulation that we must keep forever. /Do you smoke? /Is it okay for believers to smoke?

/There were many clergymen in the Middle Ages who smoked or drank. /In the Bible, there are people who had many wives. /Jacob had four wives.

/Abraham also had several wives. /Will you do the same? /This is wrong. /Yet, God remained silent in the Old Testament times. /What is marriage like in the New Testament times today?

/One man takes one woman in marriage. /That is the law, and it is God's principle. /That is the system that God made for us. /We must not drink alcohol. /We must not even gaze at alcohol.

/There are times when we add a little wine into food. /There are times when a little wine is added when cooking, right? /That is not what it is talking about here. /It means here that we must not drink alcohol for the sake of drinking alcohol.

/Hence, we must not drink alcohol for the purpose of getting drunk. /It is wrong to smoke. /It is wrong. /Why is it wrong? /What do doctors say about smoking? /Cigarettes

have thousands of cancer-causing agents.

/Cigarettes are not a source of food. /Isaiah 55:2 says, do not spend money on what is not bread. /We must not use God-given wealth on things that are not food.

/Is this food? /Are cigarettes food? /There are also believers who do drugs. /The church must discipline such people. /The church must rebuke them. /We are God's holy people.

/Should believers do things that people of the world will not understand? /We must be extremely moral in our actions. /We must be distinctly ethical. /Then, we can deal with spiritual matters.

/God's world exists above this. /The world that we are a part of is God's world. /We look downward to the world. /God's servants must especially be more careful.

/They must be morally and ethically clean. /Verse 10. /They must discern holy things from unclean things.

/We must understand what makes God happy and what does not make God happy. /We must be able to discern what is biblical and what isn't.

/Nadab and Abihu probably were not sober in their ways of thinking. /The LORD told Moses to teach this to the Israelites.

/You must stop drinking alcohol. /You must stop smoking. /You must receive God's great grace and cut it all off. /It is hard to cut them off with man's strength. /Anyone who receives God's grace can cut it all off.

/You must also stop living in debauchery. /Use the materials that God gives you. /Materials do not belong to us. /We must use them carefully. /Then in verse 12, Moses called Aaron's sons.

/Moses spoke to Eleazar and Ithamar. /"Take the grain offering left over from the offerings made to the LORD by fire and eat it prepared without yeast beside the altar." /He also speaks of other important regulations. /There were portions that were given to priests.

/God feeds those who do God's work. /The church gives living expenses to God's servants. /The church gives honorarium. /This is not a salary.

/It is called, "honorarium." /It doesn't matter if honorariums are small or plenty, but it is good to decide on a certain amount. /God feeds those who do God's work.

/Pastors do not do God's work to earn money. /Does anyone work in ministry because they want to become rich? /Does anyone work in ministry to drive a good car or buy a nice house? /If there are any pastors who think this way, it is better for them to find other

work to do.

/Verses 16-17. /When Moses inquired about the goat of the sin offering and found that it had been burned up, he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's remaining sons, and asked, "Why didn't you eat the sin offering in the sanctuary area? It is most holy; it was given to you to take away the guilt of the community by making atonement for them before the LORD.

/Moses severely rebuked Eleazar and Ithamar. /They completely burned the meat for the sin offering.

/The meat of the sacrifice of the sin offering was not allowed to be eaten in the Tent of Meeting. /4:1. /6:30. /However, it was acceptable to eat the meat of the sin offering outside the Tent of Meeting.

/This is written in verse 18. /It was allowed to be eaten in the Holy Place. /However, Eleazar and Ithamar burned it all up. /Moses then became angry. /What did they then say to Moses?

/Verse 19. /Aaron replied to Moses, "Today they sacrificed their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD, but such things as this have happened to me. Would the LORD have been pleased if I had eaten the sin offering today?"

/They replied to Moses. /Earlier, Nadab and Abihu gave a sin offering and a burnt offering to God, and such things happened. /Aaron asked if God would have been pleased if he had eaten the sin offering.

/They were allowed to eat, but they did not eat. /They were on their best behavior before God. /They feared God in their hearts.

/Aaron's sons died, so how could they eat the meat? /They were careful before God. /Moses heard this and was satisfied. /Moses forgave them.

/We will continue with chapter 11. /There were clean animals and unclean animals. /Leviticus chapter 11 is very important. /Understanding of chapter 11 can help us understand the entire book of Leviticus.

/Read verses 1-2. /The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Say to the Israelites: 'Of all the animals that live on land, these are the ones you may eat:

/There were animals that lived on land that the people were allowed to eat. /God did not tell us to eat only vegetables.

/It is not a sin for us to eat meat. /However, there are meat we can eat and meat that we cannot eat.

/Verses 3-4. /You may eat any animal that has a split hoof completely divided and that chews the cud. ""There are some that only chew the cud or only have a split hoof, but you must not eat them. The camel, though it chews the cud, does not have a split hoof; it is ceremonially unclean for you.

/There were conditions for the eating of meat. /First, the animal had to have a split hoof. /It also needed to chew the cud. /Animals with split hooves and chewed the cud were allowed to be eaten.

/What are some animals with split hooves and chew the cud? /Cows have split hooves. /They also chew the cud. /Cows have four stomachs. /They continuously chew the cud.

/Sheep also have split hooves. /Sheep also chew the cud. /They continuously chew the cud. /What about pigs? /Pigs have split hooves. /However, pigs do not chew the cud.

/Pigs were considered unclean. /Even today, Jews do not eat pork. /They consider it to be unclean. /There are many animals listed here.

/Camels chew the cud, but they do not have split hooves. /This was unclean, and hence, they were not to eat camel meat. /The coney chews the cud, but it does not have split hooves.

/In verse 6, it says that rabbits chew the cud, but they do not have split hooves. /Pigs have split hooves completely divided, but it does not chew the cud. /Therefore, these animals were not to be eaten, and they were not to touch their carcasses.

/These animals were considered unclean. /It was not suitable for believers to eat them. /What did this mean? /First, they had split hooves. /This indicated separation.

/It indicated a distinguished lifestyle. /The people needed to be able to make discernments. /They needed to discern whether something was God's or not, /whether it was the truth or a lie, /whether it was holy or unclean, /or whether it was light or darkness.

/They needed to discern /whether or not something agreed with the Bible or didn't. /They needed to make discernments. /If they were not able to make discernments, they were considered unclean before God. /God appears with the sword. /Revelation 2:16.

/The church in Pergamum accepted the teaching of Balaam. /This church did not discern Balaam's teaching. /Revelation 2:18. /The church of Thyatira tolerated Jezebel.

/There can be wrong things when we do many works. /There can be wrong things when believers work hard. /Someone needs to be able to discern these things. /Believers must be able to discern between right and wrong.

/Next, there were animals that chewed the cud. /Once they ate something, they continued

to chew the cud. /This meant that we must eat God's word, and then continuously ruminate on it.

/When do we ruminate on God's word? /We do this during our time of meditation. /We continuously think about God's word. /We continuously think deeply about God's word. /When we ruminate, it becomes our spiritual food.

/We also obey as we ruminate. /We pray as we ruminate. /We make new resolution as we ruminate. /In this way, we need rumination in our lives.

/Second, the people were not allowed to eat animals that chewed the cud, but did not have split hooves. /They did one of the two things. /They had split hooves but did not chew the cud, and they chewed the cud but did not have split hooves.

/These were all wrong. /Today in the New Testament period, should we give tithes or not? /Jesus said that we must give tithes.

/Should believers today observe the Law or not? /We must obey the Law, which is God's word. /Are we legalists if we observe the Law today?

/What is legalism? /It is the idea of receiving salvation by keeping the Law. /How do we receive salvation? /We receive salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

/We are not saved by observing the Law. /There is an important point here. /Colossians 2:14. /The written code and regulations were abolished. /In the New Testament period, people do not slaughter bulls and sheep and give sacrifices.

/Do churches slaughter bulls every Sunday? /Do churches sprinkle blood of sheep? /If so, that church is a heretical church. /That church would be legalistic.

/What do we believe in? /We believe in the gospel and obey God's word. /The rituals and regulations have been abolished. /However, the mindset of the Old Testament was passed down into the New Testament.

/What did Jesus say in Matthew 5:17? /Not one word of the Law disappeared. /Take a look at your Bibles. /Read Revelation 22:18, 19. /Jesus will judge exactly as it says there.

/It says that we must not add anything to the Bible, /and we must not take away anything from the Bible. /We must do exactly as the Bible says. /The rituals of the Old Testament were abolished. /People served God through those rituals.

/Then how to believers and the church of the New Testament serve God? /John chapter 4. /We worship in spirit and in truth. /We give spiritual worship. /There is order in worship.

/There is a process in worship. /We must not be overly ritualistic. /What is the most important part of worship? /Is it prayer? /Is it choir worship? /Is it a long announcement?

/What is the most important part of worship? /It is the time of hearing God's word. /Do not doze off during sermons. /We must not yield sermon time to the choir.

/Does God not accept worship if there is no choir? /It is okay to have choirs and it is okay not to have choirs. /It is okay to give the announcement after worship. /Announcements must not be long. /Such things damage worship.

/Choir worship must not be overly loud. /We must not allow overly long choir worship. /We must make sure that it does not damage the time God's word is given.

/Preach God's word with power in your sermons. /Worship is a time to hear God's word. /It is a time to hear God's word that he recorded for us.

/Why do we obey the Law, God's word? /Representatively, the Ten Commandments. /Has that been abolished? /Can we steal today? /Can we commit adultery? /Can we worship idols?

/Is it okay if we do not keep Sundays holy? /Not at all. /We must keep these commands. /Why must we keep them? /Do we keep them to receive salvation? /We keep them with thanksgiving for God's grace of salvation.

/We have children. /Our children obey God's word. /Do they obey so that they could be God's children? /They have already become God's children. /Why do they obey God's word? /God is pleased with children who do.

/They are sons who give ear to the words of the Lord. /They are daughters who are pleasing in the Lord's heart. /God is pleased when we do not worship idols. /God is pleased when we keep Sundays.

/God is pleased when we honor our parents. /We must keep God's word. /We must give tithes. /We must keep Sundays. /Do not buy or sell on Sundays.

/We must not travel long distances on Sundays. /Do not travel to vacation homes or to the mountains on Sundays. /Do not go fishing on Sundays. /Do not take children to amusement parks on Sundays.

/Also, turn off your televisions. /Try gathering your family to sing praises. /Sit around a table and read the Bible together. /Make an attempt to be holy on Sundays.

/Listen to your children's stories on Sundays. /Listen to their worries. /Pray for your children. /Sundays are important. /Be careful so that your hearts don't lean toward other things on Sundays.

/From verse 9, God teaches the Israelites about a different topic. /There are different types of fish. /There were fish that were allowed to be eaten and fish that were not.

/Verses 9-12. /"Of all the creatures living in the water of the seas and the streams, you may eat any that have fins and scales. But all creatures in the seas or streams that do not have fins and scales-- whether among all the swarming things or among all the other living creatures in the water-- you are to detest. And since you are to detest them, you must not eat their meat and you must detest their carcasses. Anything living in the water that does not have fins and scales is to be detestable to you.

/There were fish that were allowed to be eaten and fish that were not. /Of the fish that lived in the seas and streams, /they were allowed to eat fish with fins and scales. /Only fish with fins and scales were allowed to be eaten.

/Fins help the fish with its balance. /Fish have pectoral fins. /They use that to balance. /Fish have caudal fins. /This helps them swim forward. /It also helps them run away.

/Fish have scales. /The scales cover the entire body. /The people were allowed to eat fish with both fins and scales. /What type of fish were there?

/There are some fish that are common to us. /The people were not allowed to eat fish without fins and scales. /Believers were not to eat such fish.

/God said this in the Old Testament. /This does not allow to the New Testament. /However, we must have the Old Testament mindset. /What does this mean?

/Fins help the fish keep balance and move forward. /It helps them with direction. /This means that we must direct ourselves towards God's world. /We must fly on wings like eagles and fly towards God's world.

/We must look upon the spiritual world. /What about the scales? /It means to put on the full armor of God. /It means to put on the full armor of God so that we can win in whatever battle we face.

/We must be armed so that we can endure whatever situation we may face. /We need the full armor that will fend off the devil's arrow and spear. /The full armor can defeat the devil's attacks.

/There are many fish without scales. /Squid do not have scales. /Octopus do not have scales. /Cutlassfish do not have scales. /Cutlassfish have fins but do not have scales.

/The people were not to eat such fish. /However, do we not eat these today? /It is okay to eat these now. /Seventh-day Adventists still do not eat these today. /Seventh-day Adventists are a cult.

/Seventh-day Adventists are legalistic. /They teach that we must not eat the things that are forbidden in the Old Testament. /This is a heretical claim. /This is wrong.



/There were also birds that were allowed to be eaten and birds that were not. /What does it say about birds? /Verses 13-19. /They were not allowed to eat the eagle, the vulture, and the osprey.

/Verses 14-19. /the red kite, any kind of black kite, any kind of raven, the horned owl, the screech owl, the gull, any kind of hawk, the little owl, the cormorant, the great owl, the white owl, the desert owl, the osprey, the stork, any kind of heron, the hoopoe and the bat.

/These birds all prey on weak animals. /The people were not to eat birds that harmed other animals because they were detestable. /This means that we must not cause damage to other people.

/We must not harm other people. /There were also insects that were clean and unclean.

/Verses 20-25. /"All flying insects that walk on all fours are to be detestable to you. There are, however, some winged creatures that walk on all fours that you may eat: those that have jointed legs for hopping on the ground. Of these you may eat any kind of locust, katydid, cricket or grasshopper. But all other winged creatures that have four legs you are to detest. "You will make yourselves unclean by these; whoever touches their carcasses will be unclean till evening. Whoever picks up one of their carcasses must wash his clothes, and he will be unclean till evening.

/There are insects with wings that walk on all fours. /God gave them wings, and yet, why do they walk on all fours? /That is why they were considered unclean. /The people were not to eat insects that had wings but walked on all fours.

/This means that we must fly towards the spiritual world. /There were also insects that had wings and hopped on the ground. /These included locusts. /It included katydids. /It also included crickets and grasshoppers.

/These were acceptable. /It says that they were not to eat insects that had wings but walked on all fours. /In verses 26-28, it says that they were not to touch the carcasses of unclean animals. /What were unclean animals?

/All animals that did not chew the cud or did not have split hooves completely divided were considered unclean. /The people were not to touch the carcasses of such animals. /They were not to take part in anything that God was not pleased with.

/This includes mysticism and humanism, /things in heaven and things on earth, /and spiritual works and physical works. /Thus, we must not keep the things that God is not pleased with close.

/We must not have contact with such things. /We must not touch anything that comes from them or anything that is unclean. /Revelation 18:4.

/In verses 27-28 are animals that walk on all fours and on their paws but do not have hooves. /These include lions, bears, and dogs. /They walk on their paws. /Their skin touches the ground.

/This has a spiritual meaning. /It means that the things that stick close to the ground are unclean. /God is not happy when believers stick close to the world.

/Galatians 5:24. /There are people who belong to Jesus Christ. /These people have crucified their sinful natures with its passions and desires. /We must not stick close to the world.

/Believers must come out of the world and go to the place of prayer, /come out of the world and worship God, /and come out of the world and go closer to God.

/Next, in verses 29-40, there are many unclean animals from among those that move about on the ground. /There are many animals listed there. /There are particularly types of lizards.

/Verse 30. /the gecko, the monitor lizard, the wall lizard, the skink and the chameleon.

/There are several types of lizards here. /These were all unclean. /These all crawl with their stomachs on the ground. /Their stomachs touch the ground. /There is the chameleon. /The chameleon.

/This creature changes its color according to the environment it is in. /It changes. /This is not how believers should be. /There are people who change often according to their environments.

/They say one thing here, /and they say something else there. /They appear to have faith when in the church, but they are like worldly people when they are out in the world. /We must not be close with these people.

/We must live clean lives. /The people also were not to touch the carcasses of such unclean animals. /They would then become filthy. /We must not accept /unclean ideologies /or unclean theories.

/We must be able to discern them. /Verses 41-43. /There are animals that move about on the ground. /There are animals that move on its belly. /These include snakes /and worms.

/Philippians 3:19. /Their destiny is destruction. /Their god is their stomach. /Their glory is in their shame.

/It also says, do not eat animals that have many feet. /They were unclean. /There are animals with many feet. /There are squid, /octopus, /and centipedes. /These were unclean.

/There are people who cannot do God's work because they do too many things. /There

are too many things. /There are people who can't live with faith because they do too many things. /There are people who wander from place to place and cannot do God's work.

/What must we choose? /Luke 10:41. /Martha, /Mary has chosen what is better. /Only one thing is needed. /The one thing is enough.

/Then from verse 44, it says that the people were to live holy lives. /They were to live lives that were set apart.

/God taught about living lives that are set apart through Leviticus chapter 11. /The rituals have been abolished, but we must still keep the truth that lies within it. /Colossians 2:14. /Therefore, we are allowed to eat pork, mudfish, catfish, and mackerel now in the New Testament times.

/Thank you.