



Lessons In Repentance

Leviticus

I. Listen & Understand

Matthew 15:10–20 (NIV84®)

¹⁰ Jesus called the crowd to him and said, “**Listen and understand.** ¹¹ What goes into a man’s mouth does not make him ‘unclean,’ but what comes out of his mouth, that is what makes him ‘unclean.’ ” ¹² Then the disciples came to him and asked, “Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this?” ¹³ He replied, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be pulled up by the roots. ¹⁴ Leave them; they are blind guides. If a blind man leads a blind man, both will fall into a pit.” ¹⁵ Peter said, “Explain the parable to us.” ¹⁶ “Are you still so dull?” Jesus asked them. ¹⁷ “Don’t you see that whatever enters the mouth goes into the stomach and then out of the body? ¹⁸ But the things that come out of the mouth come from the heart, and these make a man ‘unclean.’ ¹⁹ For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander. ²⁰ These are what make a man ‘unclean’; but eating with unwashed hands does not make him ‘unclean.’ ”

Acts 10:14–15 (NIV84®)

¹⁴ “Surely not, Lord!” Peter replied. “I have never eaten anything impure or unclean.” ¹⁵ The voice spoke to him a second time, “Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.”

II. Leviticus —Instructions Re: Offerings

Unblemished

Ephesians 5:25–27 (NIV84®)

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, ²⁷ and to present her to himself as a radiant church, **without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish**, but holy and blameless.

1 Peter 1:18–19 (NIV84®)

¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

Atonement (Restoration)

Leviticus 1:4 (NIV84®)

He is to lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it will be accepted on his behalf **to make atonement for him.**

Hebrews 2:16–18 (NIV84®)

¹⁶ For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants. ¹⁷ For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful



high priest in service to God, and that **he might make atonement for the sins of the people.** ¹⁸ Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 9:14 (NIV84®)

How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

Priest Required

Hebrews 4:14 (NIV84®)

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

1 Timothy 2:5–6 (NIV84®)

⁵ For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all men

Revelation 1:5–6 (NIV84®)

⁵ and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and **has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father**—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Pleasing To The Lord

John 6:38 (NIV84®)

For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me.

Matthew 7:21–23 (NIV84®)

²¹ “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but **only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.** ²² Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?’ ²³ Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!’

Very Specific Instructions

1 Corinthians 9:24–27 (NIV84®)

²⁴ Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. ²⁶ Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air. ²⁷ No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.



III. Walking With God

Leviticus 4:2 (NIV84®)

“Say to the Israelites: **‘When anyone sins unintentionally** and does what is forbidden in any of the LORD’s commands—

Leviticus 4:13 (NIV84®)

“ **‘If the whole Israelite community sins unintentionally** and does what is forbidden in any of the LORD’s commands, even though the community is unaware of the matter, they are guilty.

Hebrews 4:12–13 (NIV84®)

¹² For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. ¹³ Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Hebrews 10:26 (NIV84®)

If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left,

Romans 1:32 (NIV84®)

Although they know God’s righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.

Prayer —Daniel’s Prayer

O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant of love with all who love Him and obey His commands, we have sinned and done wrong. We have been wicked and have rebelled; we have turned away from Your commands and laws. We have not listened to Your direction. Now, O Lord our God, hear the prayers and petitions of Your servants. For Your sake, O Lord, look with favor on Your people. Give ear and hear; open Your eyes and see the desolation of our day. We do not make requests because we are righteous, but because of Your great mercy. O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For Your sake, do not delay, because Your people bear Your name, amen.