

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS

March 4, 2026

Leviticus 1:10-17

Introduction:

1. What is the benefit of studying the book of Leviticus?
2. In a book that focuses on the Levitical priesthood, the first seven chapters record the regulations related to five offerings. Two are mandatory. Three are voluntary.
3. The first chapter of Leviticus provides instructions concerning the burnt offering.
 - a) **Leviticus 1.2:** What were they to bring as a burnt offering?
 - b) **Leviticus 1.3:** Was the offering mandatory or voluntary?
 - c) **Leviticus 1.4:** What was the purpose of the burnt offering?

I. THE FLOCK AS A BURNT OFFERING

- A. Offering sheep or goats as a burnt offering. (Lev. 1.10-13)
 1. **Leviticus 1.10:** The condition of the animal. (cf. Mal. 1.7,8; Gen. 4.3,4)
 2. **Leviticus 1.11:** The execution of the animal. (cf. Lev. 17.11; Heb. 9.22)
 3. **Leviticus 1.12,13:** The arrangement of the animal.
- B. Offering of birds as a burnt offering. (Lev. 1.14-17)
 1. **Leviticus 1.14:** The birds that were acceptable.
 - a) Why birds instead of sheep or goats? (cf. Lev. 5.7; 12.8)
 - b) Turtledoves and pigeons were cheap. (Matt. 10.29,30; Luke 12.6,7; 2.22-24)
 2. **Leviticus 1.15,16:** The execution of the animal.
 3. **Leviticus 1.17:** The arrangement of the animal.

II. THE ALTAR OF BURNT OFFERINGS

- A. On the altar was a continual fire.
 1. **Leviticus 6.8,9:** The sacrifice burned all night.
 2. **Leviticus 6.10,11:** The ashes were removed in the morning.
 3. **Leviticus 6.12,13:** *"A fire shall always be burning on the altar"*
- B. Why was it a continual fire?
 1. God required national burnt offerings twice a day everyday. (Ex. 29.38,39,42)
 2. Burnt offerings were also made voluntarily by individuals. (Lev. 1.2)

III. A SWEET SMELLING AROMA

- A. God was pleased with these sacrifices.
 1. God does not value the monetary value of the sacrifice, but the attitude in which it was offered. (Mark 12.33; 41-44; 2 Cor. 9.7)
 2. Who could offer these sacrifices? (Num. 15.14; Lev. 12.6)
- B. God was not pleased with these sacrifices.
 1. **Hebrews 10.5-8:** God had no pleasure in burnt offerings. Why? (Heb. 10.11)
 2. **Hebrews 10.12-14:** The sacrifice of Jesus was once for all. (cf. Rom. 6.10)