

***F. Laws for Holiness of People and Priests (Leviticus 11-27)***

There is a difference between F here and #3 in the Book of the Covenant, under the Establishment of the Covenant. In Exodus 24 ordinances were given which were vital for the people to know immediately for the conduct of their lives in their relation to God. Now things are given which the people should be familiar with, so that the priests and those in charge of the religious and moral rites of the people shall be prepared for particular contingencies and know what God's law is in relation to them. It is most likely that the ordinances contained in the Book of the Covenant were intended to be repeated over and over to the people so that they would always have them in mind and know just what they should do in relation to those things. Yet perhaps nobody would have all these laws in mind. When such a contingency would arise, the priest could look in the book where they were written. They could read the book and learn to understand their duty in relation to various aspects of their work and life.

This section F, which runs from Leviticus 11-27, is a set of detailed laws on quite a variety of subjects, arranged in such a way that they could read it through and find what they wanted, and they would have an idea of the material which the priest should either know or be able to look up when necessary. I am anxious, then, that you should be familiar with the nature of this material, in contrast with the material in the Book of the Covenant. This is extremely important. I want you to get a general impression of the contents of this section, so I will read you a statement of subheads or subjects discussed under F to get a general idea of its nature. This is the book of Leviticus, 11-27. Giving very brief heads: Food, 11 ; Childbirth, 12; Leprosy, 13-14; Other Purifications, 15; Day of Atonement 16; Rules for Purity, 17-20; Holiness of Priests and Offerings, 21-21; Convocations, 23; Oil and Shewbread, 24:1-9; Incident of the Blasphemer and His Punishment, 24:10-23. Sabbatical Year and Jubilee, 25; Exhortation to Obey God's Law, 26; The Law of Vows and Devoted Things, 27. This gives you an idea of the general nature of the material included in section F; Laws for Holiness of People and Priest. It is not like the Book of the Covenant, something that all the people should be familiar with and