

then he immediately gives them instructions for ~~the~~ offerings after they come into the land as further assurance that the time in the wilderness is only an interval. That he is not withdrawing his love and his support and his help from the people, but that though it is necessary that they have this time in the wilderness of letting one generation disappear and a new one come on the ~~z~~ scene, and of training the new one to go into the land and to follow God's ~~will~~ will there, that they are given laws to apply only after the 38 yrs. right new after the declaration of the punishment and of the misery they are now to go through and a further assurance held before their eyes that God is not through with them, He is continuing His purpose of blessing, He wants them to know that their children will go into the land, and it is so important that they are given laws only to the land right at this time as a partial offset to the misery of the order that they must remain in the wilderness for these 38 more yrs.

Now I believe that is why ~~iszx~~ this section vs. 1-26, Then the rest of the chap. deals with matters that would have more immediate relevance. And so I'm going to make a division here, not at the beginn ng of the chap. as might seem logical from the type of the material, but after vs. 26, because after giving these laws which are so important for the people in the land, then he procedes to deal/^{again}with matters that are particularly important for them right there.

So I'm going to give a VIII which we will not stay with a long time. We will call VIII Further Special Instruction. Under this we have

A. Sins of Ignorance 15:27-29. Now this again is put at this time for a very special reason. In Lev. 4-5 we have a long section discussing sins of ignorance. This has already been given. So it is merely a brief recalling of the fact that God has special provision for sins of ignorance. God does not want us to be ignorant. He wants us to learn what His law is. He wants us to follow His law, but even though we do something in ignorance it is still sin and there are evil results from it. It needs atonement. We need to make up for these results of our errors as well as of our definite sins. The results are harmful of that which is wrong even though done in ignorance and atonement is necessary for it, but God has forgiveness and mercy for sins of ignorance in particular