

## **Step Into Scripture: Shadows**

### **Day 50 Reading: Leviticus 19–21 and Day 50 of Step Into Scripture**

#### **Week 8: A Holy Habitation**

As we transition from narrative in Exodus to law in Leviticus, we find revelation of God's holiness and a means for people to dwell in His presence. The sacrificial system established in Leviticus illustrates the necessity of atonement for sin, foreshadowing Christ's ultimate sacrifice and His role as the high priest, allowing believers direct access to God. The tabernacle and later the temple symbolize God's desire to be with His people, a theme that culminates in the new covenant where believers themselves become temples of the Holy Spirit. Rather than viewing Leviticus as outdated rules, it becomes a profound picture of God's grace and redemption through Christ.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

1. Why do you think it's important to recognize the genre of Leviticus as law rather than just a list of rules?
  - Understanding Leviticus as a divine revelation of God's holiness helps us to interpret it correctly.
  - How can understanding the purpose behind laws in our own lives help us follow them more meaningfully?
2. What does the tabernacle teach us about God's desire for a relationship with His people?
  - The tabernacle was God's provision to restore fellowship with humanity, just as seen in the Garden of Eden.
  - In what ways do you feel God is inviting you into a deeper relationship with Him today?
3. How does the sacrificial system in Leviticus relate to the concept of atonement that is fulfilled in Christ?
  - Various sacrifices were made to handle sin, pointing forward to Christ's ultimate sacrifice.
  - What does it mean for you personally to accept Christ's sacrifice as atonement for your sins?
4. Why is it significant that believers are called 'temples of the Holy Spirit' today?
  - Since Jesus' death, believers are the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, similar to how the tabernacle functioned.
  - How does viewing yourself as a temple of the Holy Spirit change the way you think about your actions and choices?
5. What implications does the tearing of the temple veil at Jesus' death have for our access to God?
  - This event symbolizes the removal of barriers between God and humanity, allowing direct access through faith in Christ.
  - What actions can you take to draw closer to God in your daily life now that you have direct access to Him?

## **Prayer**

- Please share any prayer requests.
- Ask God to help you understand His holiness more deeply this week.
- Pray for strength to apply the truths from Leviticus in your daily life.
- Seek God's guidance in becoming a living testimony of His presence.