



Parashah 25: Tzav

Leviticus 6:8 - 8:36

“Give an order”

“So Aaron and his sons did everything YHWH commanded. .”

Leviticus 8:36

1. The Burnt Offering - 6:8-13

- a) What responsibility did the priest have for the fire on the altar of burnt offering? What are the implications of continuous burning? What does this teach us?

- b) Why do you think it was necessary for the priest to change clothes to clean the ashes from the altar?

2. The Grain Offering - 6:14-23

- a) What part of the grain offering was to be the ‘memorial portion’? What was to be done with it? What was to be done with the remainder?

- b) What specific instructions were given for the grain offering that was to be part of the ordination of Aaron and his sons as priests? Who was to prepare this offering?

5. The Fellowship Offering - 7:11-21

a) What two types of fellowship offerings are described in these verses? What are the differences between them? How were the “leftovers” to be treated in both cases?

b) Why do you think God is so concerned that the meat of this offering, as well as the persons eating it, be “ceremonially clean”?

6. Eating Fat and Blood Forbidden - 7:22-27

Is it clear what parts of the animal are specifically forbidden to be eaten? What is the punishment for the violation of this command? What do you think this means?

7. The Priests' Share - 7:28-38

a) When a worshipper brings a fellowship offering, what is he to do with it according to verse 30? What significance do you think this might have?

b) Who gets which parts of the fellowship offering?

Two Priesthoods

Functions of the Priesthood:

- Represent the people before God and God to the people
- Present sacrifices on behalf of the people for cleansing and forgiveness of sin
- Called to be holy, set apart for use by God
- Serve in the Tabernacle

Comparison of Priesthood:

Old Covenant

- Levitical Order
- Tribe of Levi, descendants of Aaron
- Sacrifice bulls and goats
- Mediator of the Old Covenant
(Torah written on stones by Moses)
- High Priest:
 - Passed through descendants of Aaron
 - Made sacrifices for his own sin
 - Continually made atonement for the sins of the people

New Covenant

- Order of Melchizedek
- Believers in Yeshua, adopted sons
- Our bodies, a living sacrifice (Rom 12:1)
- Mediator of the New Covenant
(Torah written on our hearts by God)
- High Priest:
 - One, Yeshua, descendant of Judah
 - Sinless
 - Made atonement once for all
(Note: See Hebrews 4:14-5:10; 8:1-10:18)