

Leviticus 10:11

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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This verse falls within the section on **Nadab and Abihu's Unauthorized Fire**. The tragic death of Aaron's sons for offering unauthorized fire demonstrates the severity of approaching God improperly.

The New Testament reveals that Christ's sacrifice accomplishes what the Levitical system could only symbolize—complete forgiveness and restoration of relationship with God.

Historical Context

The tragic death of Aaron's sons for offering unauthorized fire demonstrates the severity of approaching God improperly. Chapters 8-10 describe the priesthood's consecration and early ministry. Aaron and his sons received special anointing for their mediatorial role between God and Israel. The tragic account of Nadab and Abihu (ch. 10) demonstrates that approaching God requires reverence and obedience. Ancient Near Eastern cultures had various sacrificial systems, but Israel's sacrificial worship was unique in its ethical foundation, monotheistic framework, and emphasis on atonement rather than appeasement. Unlike pagan rituals focused on manipulating deities, Israel's sacrifices acknowledged God's

sovereignty and sought reconciliation based on His gracious provision. Ancient sacrificial texts from cultures surrounding Israel demonstrate the widespread practice of animal sacrifice, but Israel's system uniquely emphasized moral atonement over magical efficacy.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How does understanding the purpose behind God's laws help you obey Him from the heart rather than mere duty?
2. How does this verse help you understand both God's justice and His mercy in salvation?
3. In what ways does this verse challenge contemporary cultural values or your personal attitudes?

Interlinear Text

וְלִהְיוֹרְתֵם	אֶת	בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל	אֵת	כָּל	הַחֻקִּים
And that ye may teach	H853	the children	of Israel	H853	H3605
H3384		H1121	H3478		H2706
אֲשֶׁר	דִּבֶּר	יְהוָה	אֵלֵיהֶם	בְּיַד	מֹשֶׁה:
H834	hath spoken	which the LORD	H413	unto them by the hand	of Moses
	H1696	H3068		H3027	H4872

Additional Cross-References

Matthew 28:20 (Parallel theme): Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Malachi 2:7 (References Lord): For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

Nehemiah 8:2 (Parallel theme): And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month.

Nehemiah 8:8 (Parallel theme): So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

Jeremiah 18:18 (Parallel theme): Then said they, Come, and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words.

Deuteronomy 24:8 (Parallel theme): Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do.

Acts 20:27 (Parallel theme): For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

1 Thessalonians 4:2 (References Lord): For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.

Deuteronomy 33:10 (References Israel): They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.