Leviticus
Bible: The Pentateuch

You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord an holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine. Leviticus 20:26

Theme: A Holy God Calls For a Distinct People

How the Lord is to be Worshipped

1. **The Priest must be Distinct**

2. **God's People must be Distinct**
    - God is indifferent about nothing

    - Holiness is the dominant character of God

- Holiness is seen in obedience

3. **God's People are Sinful and Need Atonement**

4. **Leviticus in the New Testament**
   - Leviticus 19:18, Matthew 19:19
   - 1 Peter 2:9
   - 1 Peter 1:15
   - Hebrews
   - Romans 8:1-4, Hebrews 10:11-12,
     2 Corinthians 5:18-21

- Colossians 1:18-20

- Hebrews 3:1, Hebrews 4:14-16

- Romans 12:1-2

5. **Key Themes**
   - The holy Lord is present in the midst of his people

   - Approaching God means wholehearted devotion

   - Spiritual leaders bear a heavier responsibility than lay people

   - Perfection is impossible from a human side

   - Atonement is a gracious act of the Lord by which sins and impurities can be dealt with

6. **Why Leviticus is Important to Us**
    - Leviticus describes the entire religious system of ancient Israel

    - Leviticus provides the theological foundation for the atoning work of Christ

    - Leviticus demonstrates how important holiness is to God

    - Leviticus contains the very words of God in direct speech

    - Leviticus gives a framework for the gospel of Jesus Christ