



From “In the Beginning” to Amen – Leviticus... Real or Not?

Icebreaker: Which of the “Real or Not” laws are the most fascinating to you?

The Blue Dye Decree: No man shall dye his garment blue. Blue is a sacred color and reserved for garments of the High Priest.

The Rash Quarantine: If you have a persistent skin rash or an "itch" that looks suspicious, you are legally required to go to the priest. He will lock you in a house for seven days to see if the rash gets better and then if you can return to society.

The Grape Law: If you are harvesting your vineyard and drop a grape, you are legally forbidden from picking it up. You must leave it for the poor and the alien.

The Grasshopper Rule: If a grasshopper or cricket falls or jumps into a pot, you must break the pot because it will be considered unclean forever.

The Right Foot First Stipulation: When entering the Tabernacle, a man shall lead with his right foot; for the left is the side of weakness, and the right is the side of the Lord's strength.

The Standing Ovation Statute: You are commanded to stand up whenever an elderly person enters the room as a sign of respect and fear of God.

The Holy Kiss Directive: Always greet one another with a holy kiss.

The Mixed-Fiber Ban: You are prohibited from wearing clothing woven from two different types of thread.

Read Together: Leviticus 19:9-10 (NIV)

Discuss:

- What was God showing you as David spoke?

Gleaning:

- How do you react to the concept that everything we own in from God?
- What are the things in life that you look at as an expense that are actually an investment in others?

Read Together: Leviticus 25:8-36, Ephesians 2:10 (NIV), John 10:10 (NIV)

Discuss:

The Year of Jubilee – The Great Reset

- What did you notice about God’s heart for the poor?
- How shocked were you when David said the poor are mentioned in EVERY book of the Bible?
- What would the USA look like if we instituted a Year of Jubilee?
- How can we proclaim the Gospel while also modeling it?

"The Church is the Church only when it exists for others...not dominating but helping and serving. It must tell men of every calling, what it means to live for Christ - to exist for others."

- **Dietrich Bonhoeffer (Letters and Papers from Prison)**

“At the first onset of the disease, unbelievers pushed the sufferers away and fled from their dearest, throwing them into roads before they were dead...they treated unburied corpses as dirt, hoping to avert the spread of the disease.”

- **Bishop Dionysius of Alexandria, 260 AD**

“But Christian doctrine provided a prescription for action. While many were running for their lives, Christians were risking their own, taking care of the sick and those in need. In short, the core values of Christianity, love and charity, were acted upon by the believers of the day.”

- **Rodney Starck**

Pray:

- Ask God to show you how to engage in act of Holiness
- Ask God to show you something you can do to bless another person.
- Ask God to give you a heart for the poor and the means to do something about it.