



GROWING FURTHER | WEEK 2

LEVITICUS 1:1 - DEUTERONOMY 23:11

1. As you read your Bible this week, which particular thought(s) and event(s) stood out to you or surprised you? What questions came up that you would like to find the answers to?
2. What important purpose and role did religious rituals – sacrifices, offerings, and feasts – play in the Israelites' lives? Why do you think God gave them all of these different ways to show worship to Him? What did the Israelites know about God before He revealed all of this to them? What do you think they learned about God through the sacrificial system? Do you think God expects us to do the same things today?
3. Why did the people in Israel have to offer blood sacrifices? Do you think that these sacrifices paid for the sin of the Israelites? Read Hebrews 10:1-17. What were the sacrifices of the Old Testament a picture, a foreshadowing, of? What does pay for everybody's sins?
4. Despite all that God had done for them, the Israelites repeatedly disobeyed, complained, and turned away from him. What kinds of temptations did Satan use to draw the Israelites away from God? What kinds of things did they complain about? How different were these temptations from the ones we go through? How did God respond to their complaints and what does that reveal about Him?
5. When the spies returned from scouting the land of Canaan, what was their report? What did this cause the Israelites to do? What did this reveal about their attitude towards God? How do you respond when facing a circumstance that seems to be unsurmountable?
6. How did God punish the Israelites for their failure to trust Him and go into the land? How should this be a warning to us?

Try it!

Memorize the names of the next 5 books in the Bible, Joshua – 2 Samuel