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Historical Context: Moses replaces the tablets (he broke in anger) for God to give His Word (again). Exodus concludes with God directing the making and support of the tabernacle. Leviticus begins with the usage of the tabernacle and instructions for offerings. All this was in 1445 BC.

Law & Gospel Themes: Moses acted in anger when he broke the first set of tablets containing God's Law. Though forgiven, he had to make his own replacement tablets and chisel them himself, though inspired by God. Israel is warned to not make any covenant with pagans. God

prescribes regular "holy habits" for His people in the way of Sabbath observance and holy offerings. Details for the tabernacle and its furnishings show God's concern for every aspect of Israel's worship life. Light and mercy reflect God's glorious love.

Incense and offerings are to be given in response to God's mercy and grace.

Life Application Starters: How has your sin led to more work/heartache for you, even when forgiven? What does the giving of the Law to Moses teach us about all of Scripture? What wisdom for us today

comes from Ex. 34:12? Where do we find "types" in our church & home life today that were prefigured by the "antetypes" of the tabernacle with its activities and furnishings? What does such detail teach about God's concern for our habits of worship?

Prayer Starters: To be forgiven for acting rashly and foolishly. For patience under the consequences of sin. To see God's mercy and grace in our worship centered on His Word and Sacraments. To offer all we are and have in thankful service to God. For good habits of regular receiving and responding in worship.

Daily Readings and notes:

Monday: Exodus 34:1-35

Tuesday: Exodus 35:1-36:38

Wednesday: Exodus 37:1-38:31

Thursday: Exodus 39:1-40:38

Friday: Leviticus 1:1-17

Saturday: Leviticus 2:1-3:17

March's Memory Verses:

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WEEK 10

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Law & Gospel Themes: Sin corrupts the people of Israel...and ALL people. God is holy and demands holiness, being set apart from sin, for His people. Holiness is received by God's act of cleansing or redemption, ultimately through Jesus. The shedding of blood in animal sacrifice is powerful only because it is

an antetype of Jesus and His shed blood, which purchases atonement for us. God expects our response to be a life of holiness, esp. among those who serve Him as priests and teachers. No family is immune to sin and all must daily flee to the LORD for gracious cleansing and holy guidance.

Life Application Starters: Why is holiness such a big deal with God? (Go back to creation in Genesis.) What does God require of us in the place of animal sacrifices to gain holiness? Priests and their practice are types of what in Christian life today? Why

are the daily activities of eating, house-cleaning, sexual interaction and child-rearing so important to God both then and now? How can all of these be holy?

Prayer Starters: For open confession of our sin and lack of holiness. For faithful pastors and teachers to serve us God's gifts and guide us to holiness. To see all parts of our daily life...food, chores, sex, education...as gifts from our holy God that are to be kept holy. That you will always be a worthy example for others to follow, starting in your own home.

Daily Readings and notes:

Monday: Leviticus 4:1-6:30

Tuesday: Leviticus 7:1-9:24

Wednesday: Leviticus 10:1-11:47

Thursday: Leviticus 12:1-15:33

Friday: Leviticus 16:1-17:16

Saturday: Leviticus 18:1-19:37

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Historical Context: Moses, Aaron and the Israelites are in the wilderness of Sinai after fleeing from Egypt and at the beginning of their forty years of wandering. (1445 BC).

Law & Gospel Themes: God's call to holiness continues, esp. among the priests. "I am the LORD" is a warning and promise. Observance of sacred feasts and Sabbath time is a requirement and blessing, promising true rest and much more for body and soul. According to the censuses that were taken in Num. 1 & 26 (thus its name "Numbers"), Israel had 2.2 million people when they

left Egypt. Incredibly, God graciously sustained this throng in the wilderness as they began their slow journey toward the promised land of Canaan. He comforts them with the blessing that was to be proclaimed to them by Aaron and his sons (SEE Num. 6:22-27).

Life Application Starters: How does the Sabbath apply to us today? (SEE Lev. 23:3) How do you receive true rest from the LORD in "Sabbath time" on Sunday and all through the week? How and why do the feasts of Israel prefigure our liturgical life? Why is "holy convocation,"

the special gathering of God's people, important? Why is confession and forgiveness still part of our life as God's people? How is God's name still placed upon us in rich blessing?

Prayer Starters: To properly fear the name of the LORD. To properly observe the liturgical calendar as a guide to holy living (receiving from and responding to God). To never neglect the convocation of the saints. That the wayward would return to the communal worship and blessings of the LORD. To be a witness to those not yet numbered in the new Israel.

Daily Readings and notes:

Monday: Leviticus 20:1-22:33

Tuesday: Leviticus 23:1-25:55

Wednesday: Leviticus 26:1-27:34

Thursday: Numbers 1:1-3:51

Friday: Numbers 4:1-6:27

Saturday: Numbers 7:1-8:26

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Historical Context: The Israelites move from Mt. Sinai to Kadesh to Moab in the region across the Jordan River to the east of Canaan (1445-1407 BC).

Law & Gospel Themes: ... The Passover is to be a key celebration in the life of Israel. God is visible incarnationally in cloud and fire. Complaining and rebellion plagued Israel from the start of their wanderings and they suffered fire and destruction as a result. God's Spirit strengthened Moses and 70 elders. God feeds Israel with quail, but punishes the faithless. Jealousy and strife separate Moses from his

siblings, Miriam & Aaron. God honors Moses' plea for his people with pardon. Still, 10 of 12 spies do not trust the LORD and the nation follows them to death during forty years of wanderings. Jealousy again brings death to the greater family of Israel in Korah's rebellion. God shows favor to Aaron as his staff buds. Moses will suffer for using his action rather than just God's Word to bring forth water at Meribah. A fiery serpent is a type of Jesus.

Life Application Starters: How does observance of the Passover still bless you? Where do you SEE God guiding you today?

How has complaining and jealousy separated you from God and family with bitter consequences? Where is God leading that requires bold faith? What will convince people to trust God? Do you lift your eyes to Jesus for delivery from death?

Prayer Starters: To rightly receive the Lord's Supper. To see God in His Word and Sacraments. For God to forgive your jealousy and complaints and heal your soul, family, church and world. To go where God leads with courage. To witness of your Savior, Jesus, with God's mighty Word.

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Monday: Numbers 9:1-10:36

Tuesday: Numbers 11:1-12:16

Wednesday: Numbers 13:1-15:41

Thursday: Numbers 16:1-18:32

Friday: Numbers 19:1-20:29

Saturday: Numbers 21:1-35

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Historical Context: Israel camps on and then settles the plains of Moab, across the Jordan to the east of Canaan, as they await God's direction to enter the promised land (1407 BC).

Law & Gospel Themes: Those who seek to curse God's people against His will are in a losing battle. Sometimes a donkey is wiser than a prophet. Sin and idolatry are condemned in graphic terms as the Israelites follow their lusts and the gods of Moab. Phinehas lashes out violently for the LORD and receives God's covenant of peace. God shows His care for women in providing for

the daughters of Zelophehad. Joshua is set aside to take the place of Moses. Joshua's name clearly declares him to be a type of Jesus. Offerings give God's people a way to thank and praise their LORD and Savior. Ch 33 recounts Israel's journey with its sin and blessings.

Life Application Starters: Have you ever found yourself in a losing battle with God? Even now? Wise up and be blessed. What temptations from the world try to draw you into lustful and idolatrous ways? When might it be fitting for God's people to act in righteous anger?

How does God continue to show His care for women? How can names point eyes to Jesus? How can the giving of offerings be a blessing for US? Why is it important to regularly recount all the history of God and His people?

Prayer Starters: To stop fighting against the will of God. For eyes and ears to see and hear God's direction that is consistent with His Word. To avoid the lure of the world. To know when to boldly rise against sin in God's power. That all people will be valued. To remember and share the mighty deeds of God on our behalf.

Daily Readings and notes:

Monday: Numbers 22:1-25:18

Tuesday: Numbers 26:1-27:23

Wednesday: Numbers 28:1-30:16

Thursday: Numbers 31:1-54

Friday: Numbers 32:1-34:29

Saturday: Numbers 35:1-36:13

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