

Shmini, Torah, April 11, 2026

Leviticus 9:1-10:11

(1) On the eighth day Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel. (2) He said to Aaron: "Take a calf of the herd for a purgation offering and a ram for a burnt offering, without blemish, and bring them before GOD. (3) And speak to the Israelites, saying: Take a he-goat for a purgation offering; a calf and a lamb, yearlings without blemish, for a burnt offering; (4) and an ox and a ram for an offering of well-being to sacrifice before GOD; and a grain offering with oil mixed in. For today GOD will appear to you." (5) They brought to the front of the Tent of Meeting the things that Moses had commanded, and the whole community came forward and stood before GOD. (6) Moses said: "This is what GOD has commanded that you do, that the Presence of GOD may appear to you." (7) Then Moses said to Aaron: "Come forward to the altar and sacrifice your purgation offering and your burnt offering, making expiation for yourself and for the people; and sacrifice the people's offering and make expiation for them, as GOD has commanded." (8)

ויקרא ט:א-י:יא

(א) וַיְהִי בַיּוֹם הַשְּׁמִינִי קָרָא
מֹשֶׁה לְאַהֲרֹן וּלְבָנָיו וּלְזִקְנֵי
יִשְׂרָאֵל: (ב) וַיֹּאמֶר אֶל־אַהֲרֹן
קַח־לָךְ עֵגֶל בֶּן־בָּקָר לְחַטָּאת
וְאֵיל לְעֹלָה תְּמִימִם וְהַקָּרֵב לְפָנַי
יְהוּה: (ג) וְאֶל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל תְּדַבֵּר
לֵאמֹר קָחוּ שְׁעִיר־עִזִּים לְחַטָּאת
וְעֵגֶל וְכֶבֶשׂ בְּנֵי־שָׁנָה תְּמִימִם
לְעֹלָה: (ד) וְשׂוֹר וְאֵיל לְשִׁלְמִים
לְזִבְחֵ לְפָנַי יְהוּה וּמִנְחָה בְּלוּלָה
בְּשֶׁמֶן כִּי הַיּוֹם יְהוּה נִרְאָה
אֵלֵיכֶם: (ה) וַיִּקְחוּ אֶת אֲשֶׁר צִוָּה
מֹשֶׁה אֶל־פְּנֵי אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד וַיִּקְרְבוּ
כָּל־הָעֵדָה וַיַּעֲמְדוּ לְפָנַי יְהוּה: (ו)
וַיֹּאמֶר מֹשֶׁה זֶה הַדְּבָר אֲשֶׁר־צִוָּה
יְהוּה תַּעֲשׂוּ וַיֵּרָא אֵלֵיכֶם כְּבוֹד
יְהוּה: (ז) וַיֹּאמֶר מֹשֶׁה אֶל־אַהֲרֹן
קָרֵב אֶל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ וַעֲשֵׂה
אֶת־חַטָּאתְךָ וְאֶת־עֹלֹתְךָ וְכִפֵּר
בְּעֹדֶךָ וּבְעֵד הָעַם וַעֲשֵׂה
אֶת־קָרְבַּן הָעַם וְכִפֵּר בְּעֵדָם
כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוָּה יְהוּה: (ח) וַיִּקְרַב
אַהֲרֹן אֶל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ וַיִּשְׁחֹט
אֶת־עֵגֶל הַחַטָּאת אֲשֶׁר־לוֹ: (ט)

Aaron came forward to the altar and slaughtered his calf of purgation offering. (9) Aaron's sons brought the blood to him; he dipped his finger in the blood and put it on the horns of the altar; and he poured out the rest of the blood at the base of the altar. (10) The fat, the kidneys, and the protuberance of the liver from the purgation offering he turned into smoke on the altar—as GOD had commanded Moses; (11) and the flesh and the skin were consumed in fire outside the camp. (12) Then he slaughtered the burnt offering. Aaron's sons passed the blood to him, and he dashed it against all sides of the altar. (13) They passed the burnt offering to him in sections, as well as the head, and he turned it into smoke on the altar. (14) He washed the entrails and the legs, and turned them into smoke on the altar with the burnt offering. (15) Next he brought forward the people's offering. He took the goat for the people's purgation offering, and slaughtered it, and presented it as a purgation offering like the previous one. (16) He brought forward the burnt offering and sacrificed it according to regulation. (17) He then brought forward the grain offering and, taking a handful of it, he turned it into smoke on the altar—in addition

וַיִּקְרְבוּ בְנֵי אֶהֱרֹן אֶת־הַדָּם אֵלָיו
וַיִּטְבֹּל אֶצְבָּעוֹ בַּדָּם וַיִּתֵּן
עַל־קַרְנוֹת הַמִּזְבֵּחַ וְאֶת־הַדָּם יִצַק
אֶל־יְסוֹד הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: (י) וְאֶת־הַחֵלֶב
וְאֶת־הַכֶּלִית וְאֶת־הַיִּתְרֹת
מִן־הַכֶּבֶד מִן־הַחֹטְאֹת הַקָּטִיר
הַמִּזְבֵּחַ כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוָּה יְהוָה
אֶת־מֹשֶׁה: (יא) וְאֶת־הַבֶּשָׂר
וְאֶת־הָעוֹר שַׁרְף בְּאֵשׁ מִחוּץ
לַמִּחֲנֶה: (יב) וַיִּשְׁחֹט אֶת־הָעֵלָה
וַיִּמְצְאוּ בְנֵי אֶהֱרֹן אֶת־הַדָּם
וַיִּזְרְקוּהוּ עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ סָבִיב: (יג)
וְאֶת־הָעֵלָה הַמְצִיאוּ אֵלָיו
לְנִתְחִיָּה וְאֶת־הָרֹאשׁ וַיִּקְטֹר
עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: (יד) וַיִּרְחֹץ
אֶת־הַקָּרֶב וְאֶת־הַכְּרָעִים וַיִּקְטֹר
עַל־הָעֵלָה הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: (טו) וַיִּקְרֹב
אֶת קָרְבַּן הָעֵם וַיִּקַּח אֶת־שְׁעִיר
הַחֹטְאֹת אֲשֶׁר לָעָם וַיִּשְׁחֹטְהוּ
וַיַּחֲטֹאֵהוּ כְּרֹאשׁוֹן: (טז) וַיִּקְרֹב
אֶת־הָעֵלָה וַיַּעֲשֶׂה כַּמִּשְׁפָּט: (יז)
וַיִּקְרֹב אֶת־הַמִּנְחָה וַיִּמְלֵא כַּפּוֹ
מִמֶּנָּה וַיִּקְטֹר עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ מִלֶּבֶד
עַל־תֵּת הַבֶּקֶר: (יח) וַיִּשְׁחֹט
אֶת־הַשֹּׁר וְאֶת־הָאֵילָן זֶבַח
הַשְּׁלָמִים אֲשֶׁר לָעָם וַיִּמְצְאוּ בְנֵי
אֶהֱרֹן אֶת־הַדָּם אֵלָיו וַיִּזְרְקוּהוּ
עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ סָבִיב: (יט)
וְאֶת־הַחֵלְבִים מִן־הַשֹּׁר

to the burnt offering of the morning. (18) He slaughtered the ox and the ram, the people's sacrifice of well-being. Aaron's sons passed the blood to him—which he dashed against every side of the altar— (19) and the fat parts of the ox and the ram: the broad tail, the covering [fat], the kidneys, and the protuberances of the livers. (20) They laid these fat parts over the breasts; and Aaron turned the fat parts into smoke on the altar, (21) and elevated the breasts and the right thighs as an elevation offering before GOD—as Moses had commanded. (22) Aaron lifted his hands toward the people and blessed them; and he stepped down after offering the purgation offering, the burnt offering, and the offering of well-being. (23) Moses and Aaron then went inside the Tent of Meeting. When they came out, they blessed the people; and the Presence of GOD appeared to all the people. (24) Fire came forth from before GOD and consumed the burnt offering and the fat parts on the altar. And all the people saw, and shouted, and fell on their faces. (1) Now Aaron's sons Nadab and Abihu each took his fire pan, put fire in it, and laid incense on it; and they offered before GOD alien fire—which had not been enjoined

וּמִן־הָאֵיל הָאֲלִיָּה וְהַמִּכָּסָה
וְהַכְּלִית וַיִּתְּרַת הַכֶּבֶד: (כ)
וַיִּשְׂימוּ אֶת־הַחֲלָבִים עַל־הַחֲזוֹת
וַיִּקְטֹר הַחֲלָבִים הַמְזֻבָּחָה: (כא)
וְאֵת הַחֲזוֹת וְאֵת שׁוֹק הַיָּמִין
הַנִּיף אֶהְרֹן תְּנוּפָה לְפָנַי יְהוָה
כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוָּה מֹשֶׁה: (כב) וַיִּשָּׂא
אֶהְרֹן אֶת־יָדָיו אֶל־הָעַם וַיְבָרְכֵם
וַיֵּרֶד מֵעֲשֵׂת הַחֲטָאֵת וְהֶעֱלָה
וְהִשְׁלֵמִים: (כג) וַיָּבֵא מֹשֶׁה
וְאֶהְרֹן אֶל־אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד וַיֵּצְאוּ
וַיְבָרְכוּ אֶת־הָעַם וַיֵּרָא
כְבוֹד־יְהוָה אֶל־כָּל־הָעַם: (כד)
וַתֵּצֵא אֵשׁ מִלְּפָנַי יְהוָה וַתֹּאכַל
עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ אֶת־הֶעֱלָה
וְאֶת־הַחֲלָבִים וַיֵּרָא כָּל־הָעַם
וַיִּלְנוּ וַיִּפְּלוּ עַל־פְּנֵיהֶם: (א)
וַיִּקְחוּ בְנֵי־אֶהְרֹן נָדָב וַאֲבִיהוּא
אִישׁ מִחֶתְתּוֹ וַיִּתְּנוּ בְּהֵן אֵשׁ
וַיִּשְׂימוּ עָלֶיהָ קִטְרֹת וַיִּקְרִיבוּ
לְפָנַי יְהוָה אֵשׁ זָרָה אֲשֶׁר לֹא
צִוָּה אַתֶּם: (ב) וַתֵּצֵא אֵשׁ מִלְּפָנַי
יְהוָה וַתֹּאכַל אוֹתָם וַיָּמָתוּ לְפָנַי
יְהוָה: (ג) וַיֹּאמֶר מֹשֶׁה אֶל־אֶהְרֹן
הוּא אֲשֶׁר־דִּבֶּר יְהוָה | לֵאמֹר
בְּקִרְבִּי אֶקְדָּשׁ וְעַל־פָּנַי כָּל־הָעַם
אֶכְבֵּד וַיָּדַם אֶהְרֹן: (ד) וַיִּקְרָא
מֹשֶׁה אֶל־מִישָׁאֵל וְאֵל אֶלְצָפָן בְּנֵי
עֲזִיאֵל דָּד אֶהְרֹן וַיֹּאמֶר אֲלֵהֶם

upon them. (2) And fire came forth from GOD and consumed them; thus they died by GOD's will. (3) Then Moses said to Aaron, "This is what GOD meant by saying: Through those near to Me I show Myself holy, And gain glory before all the people."

And Aaron was silent. (4) Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said to them, "Come forward and carry your kinsmen away from the front of the sanctuary to a place outside the camp." (5) They came forward and carried them out of the camp by their tunics, as Moses had ordered. (6) And Moses said to Aaron and to his sons Eleazar and Ithamar, "Do not bare your heads and do not rend your clothes, lest you die and anger strike the whole community. But your kin, all the house of Israel, shall bewail the burning that GOD has wrought. (7) And so do not go outside the entrance of the Tent of Meeting, lest you die, for GOD's anointing oil is upon you." And they did as Moses had bidden. (8) And GOD spoke to Aaron, saying: (9) Drink no wine or other intoxicant, you or your sons, when you enter the Tent of Meeting, that you may not die. This is a law for all time throughout the ages, (10) for you must distinguish between

קָרְבוּ שְׂאוּ אֶת־אֲחֵיכֶם מֵאֵת
פְּנֵי־הַקֹּדֶשׁ אֶל־מַחוּץ לְמַחֲנֶה:
(ה) וַיִּקְרְבוּ וַיִּשְׂאֵם בְּכַתְּנֹתָם
אֶל־מַחוּץ לְמַחֲנֶה כַּאֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר
מֹשֶׁה: (ו) וַיֹּאמֶר מֹשֶׁה אֶל־אֶהֱרֹן
וְלֹאֲלֶעֶזֶר וְלֹאֲיִתְמָר | בְּנָיו
רֵאשֵׁיכֶם אֶל־תִּפְרְעוּ | וּבְגַדֵיכֶם
לֹא־תִפְרְמוּ וְלֹא תִמְתּוּ וְעַל
כָּל־הָעֵדָה יִקְצַף וְאֲחֵיכֶם
כָּל־בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל יִבְכוּ
אֶת־הַשְּׂרִפָּה אֲשֶׁר שָׂרַף יְהוָה:
(ז) וּמִפְּתַח אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד לֹא תִצְאוּ
פֶן־תִּמְתּוּ כִּי־שָׁמֵן מִשְׁחַת יְהוָה
עֲלֵיכֶם וַיַּעֲשׂוּ כַּדְבַר מֹשֶׁה:
{פ} (ח) וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוָה אֶל־אֶהֱרֹן
לֵאמֹר: (ט) יֵין וְשִׁכָּר אֶל־תִּשְׁתּוּ
אֹתָהּ | וּבְנֵיךָ אִתְּךָ בְּבֹאֲכֶם
אֶל־אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד וְלֹא תִמְתּוּ חֲקַת
עוֹלָם לְדוֹרֹתֵיכֶם: (י) וְלֹהֲבֹדִיל בֵּין
הַקֹּדֶשׁ וּבֵין הַחֵל וּבֵין הַטְּמֵא
וּבֵין הַטְּהוֹר: (יא) וְלֹהוֹרֹת
אֶת־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֵת כָּל־הַחֲקִים
אֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר יְהוָה אֲלֵיהֶם
בְּיַד־מֹשֶׁה: {פ}

the sacred and the profane, and
between the impure and the pure;
(11) and you must teach the
Israelites all the laws that GOD has
imparted to them through Moses.