



Grace Assembly Of God

CHAPTER-BY-CHAPTER BIBLE READING DEVOTIONAL

Scripture: **LEVITICUS 10**

Title: **“Unauthorized Fire”**

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Summary of Chapter:

In this chapter, something very serious happens. Two men die in the tabernacle and God instructs Moses and Aaron on what they should do to keep a holy priestly conduct. This chapter teaches a clear instruction on what it means to be holy because God is holy.

Key Verse(s) NLT

How does it speak to me?

¹Now Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it and laid incense on it and offered unauthorized fire before the LORD, which he had not commanded them. ²And fire came out from before the LORD and consumed them, and they died before the LORD. ³Then Moses said to Aaron, “This is what the LORD has said: ‘Among those who are near me I will be sanctified, and before all the people I will be glorified.’” And Aaron held his peace.

I grew up in a Christian family but many of us know that growing up in a Christian home does not make me a follower of Jesus. Just like how sitting in Macdonald’s all day does not make you a hamburger. I remember confronting my identity as a believer of Christ, I was going to church, I told others that I believed in God, I was serving in church and yet my lifestyle was far from it. One major area was in my speech, where vulgarities were used like punctuations and fillers in all my sentences.

Then one day, while I was out with a friend, I remember exclaiming loudly and spewing vulgarities in all my sentences. Lo and behold, right in front of me, was a church friend who walked pass and he was shocked to see this guy serving passionately on a weekend at church, yet on any given day of the week, was living far from it. I was no different from anyone. In fact, I was not set apart. Maybe for some of us, you can relate to what I’ve experienced whether at your workplace, in your family or at your school.

I realized that doing good, being involved with church are good things but these things do not make me holy. Holiness means being set apart for God. Living in a manner that glorifies Him. God mentions in the Bible to be Holy for He is Holy. God wants you and I to live a holy life. When we are given this new life in Christ, our behavior should also reflect this newness in Him. Sometimes we tend to forget that God is as much Holy as He is Love. I want to encourage us this today to make a decision every day to live lives that are set apart for God. To uphold His presence in our lives with reverence and awe and thankfully today, we have the Holy Spirit at work within us to guide us to live in holiness.

APPLICATION REFLECTIONS

Adult:

What is one particular area in your life that God is leading you to grow in to live a holy life?

Youth:

If your friends were to describe you in one word, what would it be and why? What is one thing you can do to grow in your walk with God?

Child:

What is one thing you can do this week to show your friends that God loves you?

PRAYER

Praying Scripture:

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the Word that you’ve given to us today. Help us to live and walk in holiness. To be set apart for You because You are holy. Thank you Jesus for giving us that access to the Father that we can now boldly approach the throne of Grace. May we live lives that point people towards you Lord. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Thanksgiving Prayer:

I/We thank you for _____ (e.g. delicious food we ate, places we went, prayer that was answered, etc)

Intercessory Prayer:

I/We want to pray for _____ (e.g. healing of sickness, family members, work or study, leaders, nation, etc)

Salvation Prayer:

I/We pray for the salvation of my/our unsaved loved ones _____ (add one name per day). In Jesus’ Name I/we pray. Amen.