

Made Clean (1/8/23)

Main Verses: Leviticus 16:15-16

Key Verse: Leviticus 16:16

'Takeaway': The pure God we're separated from because we are not pure, is the same God who has made a way for us to be clean... so we can be with him!

Getting Started: Have you ever gotten really dirty? What did you have to do to get clean?



READ: Leviticus 16:15-16 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

Toddler/PreK:

- What made the priests, and all the people, “unclean”?
- How does God provide for the people’s uncleanness in this passage?
- How does God provide a way for us to be clean?

Elementary:

- Have you ever heard of the Day of Atonement? If yes, what do you know about it?
- Why did the priests have to sprinkle blood over the mercy seat and in front of it? What does this signify?
- How has God made a final provision for sinners? How can we be made clean through his mercy and grace?

Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses :

Toddler/PreK:

- God is holy. Because he is holy, nothing sinful, or unclean, can be right with him.
- God provided a special, holy time when the High Priest could come and “clean” the mercy seat, the most holy place, so the people could be made clean and come near to the presence of God.
- God, in his great mercy and grace, sent Jesus to be the final sacrifice for our sins. Thru faith in Jesus we can be with God.

Elementary:

- God is holy; nothing sinful, or unclean, can be in his presence, or anywhere near him.
- In his mercy and grace, God provided a special, holy time (the Day of Atonement) when the High Priest cleansed the sanctuary and made atonement for the sins of the people.
- This cleansing involved animal blood, which was symbolic for the giving of a life (since God’s penalty against sin is death).
- Through Jesus and his blood, God has provided a final sacrifice for our sins. Through faith in Jesus, we can be with God.

An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

(Toddler/PreK) Talk to God. Thank him for being a holy God who provides for his people. Thank God for sending Jesus to be the final sacrifice for our sins, so that our hearts can be made clean. Ask God to help you learn more about him every day, and to grow in wisdom and faith each day.

(Elementary) Talk to God. Thank him for being a holy God who provided a final sacrifice for our sins so that we can know and love him. Thank God for sending Jesus so that we can be cleansed and be right with him. Talk to God about your relationship to him. Ask God to help you learn more about him each day.