

## **We know what you're thinking... What is this going to look like with Leviticus and Numbers?**

We can't wait for you to experience it. These are two of the least-read and understood books in God's Word, but they have significant wisdom and truth for us to explore.

**Parents:** Don't forget to check out some practical tips on how to engage your kids with this part of the Bible! [Parent Prompt](#)

### **Week 4 Memory Verse | Numbers 23:19**

#### **Monday, January 26**

This part of the Bible is difficult for us to understand and comprehend. Most people have great difficulty engaging it in a meaningful way. Let's connect some dots to the larger story of God.

**Passage:** Exodus 40:34-38; Leviticus 1:1; Numbers 1:1; Deut 1:1

**Activity:** Read these passages, noticing the progression. Moses can't enter the Tabernacle at the end of Exodus, so Leviticus begins with God calling out to Moses from inside it. As Numbers begins, we see now that Moses can meet with God inside the tent. The commands in Leviticus have paved the way for Moses to meet with a holy God in His presence. Deuteronomy begins with Moses speaking the commands of God to the people as they prepare to enter into God's promised land.

Engage the practice of Lectio Divina (review [Week 3](#) if need be), reading these passages slowly a few times. Consider the significance of how God's story moves forward over the course of Leviticus and Numbers.

## Tuesday, January 27

As mentioned last week, this practice of Lectio Divina has been around for a long time – more than 1,000 years in fact. It's

fascinating that we can still benefit today engaging an ancient text with such an old methodology. Only God. Here's what one person from our community at NorthRidge says about their experience with it:

"Lectio has been a very helpful method for me as I study the Bible. It has allowed me to slow down and actually listen to what the Lord has for me in that moment. Often, we can fly through our reading of Scripture and miss the life-giving words of God. I've never walked away from a time of Lectio regretful, but instead, filled with hope and peace." – James

**Passage:** Leviticus 19:1-18

**Activity:** Let's take that kind of mindset and apply it to these verses from Leviticus. Allow the heart of God for how we live and love one another move you and challenge you forward in your journey of faith.

## Wednesday, January 28

Hopefully you are feeling more with Lectio Divina. We want to continue encouraging you to learn how to listen to God by meditating on His word.

Traditionally, Lectio Divina encourages exploring a particular word or phrase that stands out to you as you read a passage several times. Do that prayerfully with the following verses.

**Passage:** Numbers 6:24-26

**Activity:** As you practice Lectio Divina and a key word or phrase stands out, explore the meaning of that word or phrase for you. Hold onto it through your day as an encouragement and reminder.

**Thursday, January 29**

As the people of God continue to complain and rebel, God allows them to feel the consequences of those actions, but He also shows great mercy. He proves to be faithful, even when the people aren't. He fulfills His promises, even when His people have no idea.

**Passage:** Numbers 22-24

**Activity:** Explore the story of Balaam in those chapters. He is hired to curse Israel, but he can only pronounce blessing because of God. God is faithful to His unfaithful people, and they don't even know it. Consider and think about a time in your own story when God has done that for you. He was blessing you, protecting you, even though you had no idea. Write it out as a story.

**Friday, January 30**

Each new day with God brings new things. It's easy to forget what He did or reminded us of just the day before. Let's embrace what a new day brings, but not at the expense of what He's already done.

**Passage:** Numbers 23:19-20

**Activity:** Practice Lectio Divina, then write down what God has impressed on you this week. Don't keep what God is doing to yourself, share with someone else!

**Saturday, January 31 – Sunday, February 1**

Next week we will begin to explore a new method!

**Passage:** Choose any passage from the book of Leviticus or Numbers you want.

**Activity:** Engage with that passage using either SOAP or Lectio Divina.