GOD WITH US

Session Five: God's Kindergarten

A major part of the first five books of the Bible is devoted to the account of the Tent of Meeting. This is a home for God among his people, an 'embassy' of his kingdom and a classroom where he teaches them about sin that separates, how access is made possible and about holiness as a lifestyle.

1. In the Hebrew Bible, Leviticus is called: 'Vayikra': "And he said". Why? (see Leviticus 1:1; 4:1; 5:14; 6:1, etc.)

What does this tell us about the signifcance of this book?

- 2. What does the structure of the tabernacle (i.e. the perimeter fence, tent, inner curtains) teach about sin?
- 3. What does Leviticus teach about access—that is, how and through whom could people come into God's presence? (see Leviticus 16:1-5; 17:1-11)
- 4. What was the role of the high priest? (see Hebrews 5:1-4; 8:3; 9:6-7)
- 5. How does the figure of the high priest help us understand the role of the Lord Jesus Christ? (see Hebrews 4:14-5:10; 9:11-28)
- 6. What does it mean to be holy? (see Leviticus 19:1; 1 Peter 1:3-5,13-21; Romans 8:29)



7. Why is it important to listen to the whole Bible (Old and New Testaments) 'in stereo' ?

Home Study: Read Deuteronomy 17:14-20; 1 Samuel 8 and 12; Psalm 2



