

AFFIRMATION OF GROWTH (15 MINUTES)

- **Check in:** Let each person share how their challenge went this week and one thing that God has taught them in facing it.
- **Pray:** Pray specifically for both those who struggled with the challenge and those who met their goal. Ask God to reveal truth and continue the work he began in each person. Each person can offer a simple one sentence prayer. “Lord, help me to _____”

BIBLE DISCOVERY (35-45 MINUTES)

- **Big Idea (Watch Video):** Holiness must characterize God’s people and their leaders.
- **Bible Passage:** Read Leviticus 21:1-15, 21:16-24, and 22:1-16.
- **Discussion Questions:**
 1. Sin and death fracture creation and leave a mark of impurity on humanity.
 - Why do you think contact with the dead makes a priest unclean for duty?
 - Why are both prostitutes (guilty of immorality) and rape victims (victims of immorality) both excluded for marriage to a priest? Can innocent people be made impure?
 - Why would disability prevent someone from serving as a priest?
 2. Why is it important that the priest be ritually clean and without blemish or disease?
 - The blemish-free requirement was introduced with the Passover lamb. Where else is there a blemish-free requirement in Leviticus.
 3. How does the priesthood point to Jesus as the Great High Priest?
 - How do worship practices within the sacrificial system point to Jesus? (consider the priest, the sacrifice, all these blemish-free requirements, and the goal of atonement)
 4. What applications can be made of our church, Christian leaders, and their families?
 - What impact should this teaching have on lay leaders and anyone who serves in church?

CHALLENGE FOR LIFE (10 MINUTES)

- **One Change:** Has this passage revealed a point of growth or a needed change? Is there something you must voice in order to better obey God? Remember to be specific about your action as you seek to respond to God in humility and obedience.
- **Narrow it down to an “I will” statement:** I will _____
- **Closing Prayer:** Pray for each member to be faithful to their challenge in the coming week. Remember to pray for one another when the notes come out. And continue to pray for Revival—that people far from God are drawn close and are ultimately saved.