

# The Law a Shadow

**Text:** For the Law, since it has only a shadow of the good things to come and not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near. (Hebrews 10:1)

**Belgic Confession article 25:** We believe that the ceremonies and symbols of the law have ended with the coming of Christ, and that all foreshadowings have come to an end, so that the use of them ought to be abolished among Christians. Yet the truth and substance of these things remain for us in Jesus Christ, in whom they have been fulfilled. Nevertheless, we continue to use the witnesses drawn from the law and prophets to confirm us in the gospel and to regulate our lives with full integrity for the glory of God, according to His will.

## Intro: reading the Bible

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Why the Law then? (Galatians 3:19)

## I. The Law Ended

Shadow → reality

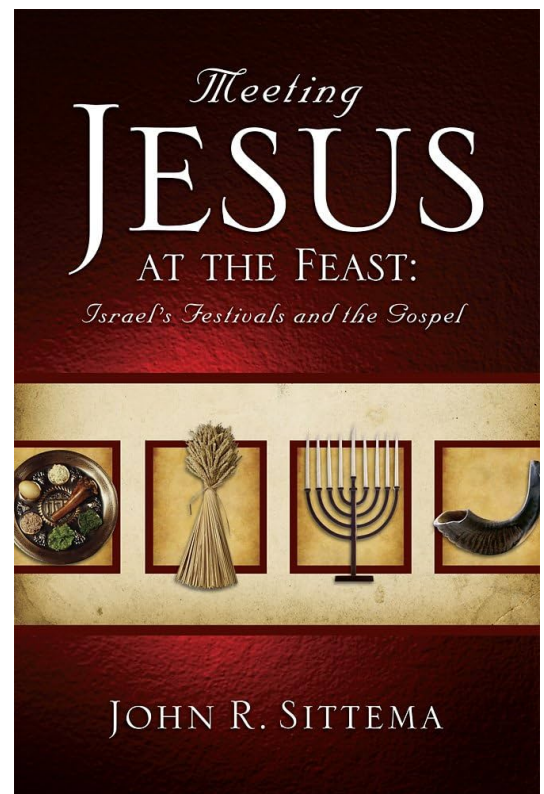
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Leviticus 1-7 sacrifices

Leviticus 8-10 priests

Leviticus 11-16 purifications

Leviticus 23-25 the calendar of feasts



## II. The Law Continuing

Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. (Matthew 5:17)

Principle & Application

## III. Our Text

The sacrifices deficient

Purpose?

### Application 1: Messianic Jews

Strong & weak

### Application 2: Reading the Pentateuch

Q1: What does this teach me about \_\_\_\_\_?

Q2: Is there a \_\_\_\_\_ here?

Q3: I need \_\_\_\_\_.