

GRATITUDE WITH A STORY

February 2, 2020

LAST WEEK:

THE PEACE OFFERING

RABBI: Make sure the story you tell at the feast is worthy of the life of the animal?

TELLING OUR STORIES

What do you do to encourage storytelling with your children?

What would it look like to model storytelling of thankfulness?

QUESTIONS: Is your household static or evolving?

Is your parenting style static or evolving?

Is your relationship with God static or evolving?

SCRIPTURE: Leviticus 19:17-18

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

FOLLOW-UP SCRIPTURE: Matthew 5:21-22

"You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire.

SECOND FOLLOW-UP SCRIPTURE: Luke 10:29-30

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead..."

SCRIPTURE: Leviticus 24:18-21

Anyone who kills an animal shall make restitution for it, life for life. Anyone who maims another shall suffer the same injury in return: fracture for fracture, eye for eye, tooth for tooth; the injury inflicted is the injury to be suffered. One who kills an animal shall make restitution for it; but one who kills a human being shall be put to death.

FOLLOW-UP SCRIPTURE: Matthew 5:38-41

"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile.

LIMINAL MOMENTS

In anthropology, liminality is the quality of ambiguity or disorientation that occurs in the middle stage of a rite of passage, when participants no longer hold their pre-ritual status but have not yet begun the transition to the status they will hold when the rite is complete.

THOUGHT: Liminality, including in the area of faith development, can often be frightening. Without storytelling, ritual and celebration, there is often an impulse to return to the pre-liminal stage. In the end, there is no growth or change.

QUESTIONS: Where are these liminal moments in our households?
Where do you do that transition well?
Where is there needed work?

OTHER STUFF-

Night Out for Parents — still in process
Family Event in May —

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Wordless Children's Books —

Priest kept the hide — Leviticus 7:8 — So, too, the priest who offers anyone's burnt offering shall keep the skin of the burnt offering that he has offered.