**CHAPTER** **24**

*The oil for the lamps. The loaves of proposition. The punishment of blasphemy.*

**1** And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

**2** Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee the finest and clearest oil of olives, to furnish the lamps continually,

**3** Without the veil of the testimony in the tabernacle of the covenant. And Aaron shall set them from evening until morning before the Lord, by a perpetual service and rite in your generations.

**4** They shall be set upon the most pure candlestick before the Lord continually.

**5** Thou shalt take also fine flour, and shalt bake twelve loaves thereof, two tenths shall be in every loaf:

**6** And thou shalt set them six and six one against another upon the most clean table before the Lord:

**7** And thou shalt put upon them the clearest frankincense, that the bread may be for a memorial of the oblation of the Lord.

**8** Every sabbath they shall be changed before the Lord, being received of the children of Israel by an everlasting covenant:

**9** And they shall be Aaron’s and his sons’, that they may eat them in the holy place: because it is most holy of the sacrifices of the Lord by a perpetual right.

**10** And behold there went out the son of a woman of Israel, whom she had of an Egyptian, among the children of Israel, and fell at words in the camp with a man of Israel.

**11** And when he had blasphemed the name, and had cursed it, he was brought to Moses: (now his mother was called Salumith, the daughter of Dabri, of the tribe of Dan:)

**12** And they put him into prison, till they might know what the Lord would command.

**13** And the Lord spoke to Moses,

**14** Saying: Bring forth the blasphemer without the camp, and let them that heard him, put their hands upon his head, and let all the people stone him.

**15** And thou shalt speak to the children of Israel: the man that curseth his God, shall bear his sin:

**16** And he that blasphemeth the name of the Lord, dying let him die: all the multitude shall stone him, whether he be a native or a stranger. He that blasphemeth the name of the Lord, dying let him die.

**17** He that striketh and killeth a man, dying let him die.

**18** He that killeth a beast, shall make it good, that is to say, shall give beast for beast.

**19** He that giveth a blemish to any of his neighbours: as he hath done, so shall it be done to him:

**20** Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, shall he restore. What blemish he gave, the like shall he be compelled to suffer.

**21** He that striketh a beast, shall render another. He that striketh a man shall be punished.

**22** Let there be equal judgment among you, whether he be a stranger, or a native that offends: because I am the Lord your God.

**23** And Moses spoke to the children of Israel: and they brought forth him that had blasphemed, without the camp, and they stoned him. And the children of Israel did as the Lord had commanded Moses.