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The Truth

God Demands First Place



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The Law of First Fruits

The first son is to be sacrificed to God.

The firstborn animal is to be sacrificed to God.

The first fruits of our labor goes to God.



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Israel was God's Firstfruits

Israel was holiness to the LORD, the firstfruits of His increase. All that devour him will offend; Disaster will come upon them," says the LORD (Jeremiah 2:3).



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Christ was the firstfruit of the resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:20).



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The 144,000 are called “firstfruits to God and to the Lamb” (Revelation 14:4).



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Christians are called “a kind of firstfruits.”

Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures (James 1:18).



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The Levites Were the Firstfruits of Israel

“Therefore the Levites shall be Mine, because all the firstborn are Mine” (Numbers 3:11-13).



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God's Covenant is Corporate

Israel has sinned; they have violated my covenant (Joshua 7:10).



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**There Is Always a Reason
and a Solution**

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