Chapter 10

Nadab and Abiu the fonnes of Aaron, for offering ftrange fire, are burnt to death, and caft out of the campe, 6. for whom the people mourne, but not the Priefts. 8. Priefts are forbid to drinke wine, when they enter into the tabernacle, 12. and are commanded to eat the refidew of oblations in the holie place. 16. Which this time in part they omitted, and are excufed, being forowful for that vvhich happened to Nadab and Abiu.

nd Nadab, and Abiu the fonnes of Aaron catching cenfors, did put in fire, and incenfe therupon, offering before our Lord ftrange fire: which was not commanded them. ² And fire comming forth from our Lord, a)deuoured them, and they dyed before our Lord. ³ And Moyfes faid to Aaron: This is it which our Lord hath fpoken: I wil be fanctified in them, that approch to me, and in the fight of al the people I wil be glorified. Which Aaron hearing held his peace. ⁴ And Moyfes calling Mifael, and Elifaphan the fonnes of Oziel, the vncle of Aaron, faid to them: Goe and take away your brethren from the fight of the Sanctuarie, and carie them without the campe. ⁵ And going forthwith they took them as they lay, reuefted with linnen tunikes, & did caft them forth, as it had bene commanded them. ⁶ And Moyfes fpake to Aaron, & to Eleazar, and Ithamar his fonnes: Vncouer not your heades, and rent not your veftiments, left perhaps you die, and indignation come vpon al the affemblie. Let your brethren, and al the houfe of Ifrael, lament the burning that our Lord hath raifed, ⁷ and your felues fhal not goe out of the dore of the tabernacle, otherwife you

^a Such as received more at Gods hand, are more feuerly punifhed if they tranfgreffe. S. Aug. q. 21. in Leuit. By this alfo al are warned to be content with the doctrine of the Holie Ghoft, to abhorre herefies, the fautors wherof adde falfehood to Gods word, & preferre their owne wicked inventions before the true fenfe of holie Scripture. Theod. q. 9. in Leuit.

shal perish: for the oyle of holie vnction is vpon you. Who did al thinges according to the precept of Moyfes. ⁸ Our Lord alfo faid to Aaron: ⁹ Wine, and anie thing that may make drunke, you shal not drinke, thou and thy fonnes, ^a)when you enter into the tabernacle of teftimonie, left you die: becaufe it is an euerlafting precept through your generations. ¹⁰ And that you may have knowledge to difference between the holie and prophane. betwen the polluted and cleane: ¹¹ and may teach the children of Ifrael al my ordinances, which the Lord hath fpoken to them by the hand of Moyfes. ¹² And Moyfes fpake to Aaron and to Eleazar, and Ithamar his fonnes, that were left: Take the facrifice, that is remayning of the oblation of our Lord, and eate it without leauen befide the altar, becaufe it is Holie of holies. ¹³ And you fhal eate it in a holie place: which is given to thee and thy fonnes of the oblations of our Lord, as it hath bene commanded me. ¹⁴ The breft alfo that is offered, and the fhoulder that is feperated, you shall eate in a most cleane place thou and thy fonnes, and thy daughters with thee. For they are laid apart for thee and thy children, of the healthful hoftes of the children of Ifrael: ¹⁵ becaufe the fhoulder and the breft, and the fatte that is burnt on the altar, they have elevated before our Lord, and they pertaine to thee, and to thy fonnes by a perpetual lawe, as our Lord hath commanded. ¹⁶ Among thefe thinges, when Moyfes fought for the bucke goate, that had bene offered for finne, he found it burnt: and being angrie against Eleazar, and Ithamar the fonnes of Aaron that remained, he faid: ¹⁷ Why did you not eate the hofte for finne, in a holie place, which is most Holie, and geuen to you, that you may bear the iniquitie of the multitude, and may pray for it in the fight of our Lord, ¹⁸ efpecially wheras of the bloud therof, there hath not bene caried within the holie places, and you ought to have eaten it

^a Abftinence from wine cõmanded to Priefts when they ferued in the tabernacle not at other times: for they ferued at certaine times by turnes. *Theod. q. 10. in Leuit.* As for drunkennes it is forbid to al men, and at al times.

in the Sanctuarie, as it was commanded me? ¹⁹ Aaron anfwered: This day hath bene offered the victime for finne, and the holocauft before our Lord: and to me that is chanced which thou feeft. How could I eate it, or pleafe our Lord in ceremonies hauing ^a)a forowful hart? ²⁰ Which when Moyfes had heard, he was fatisfied with his anfwere.

^a Natural grife of mind made Aaron both vnwilling to eate & leffe apt to complete al the ceremonies: fo without finne he omitted that pertained to his commoditie, offering it to God.