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## **Deuteronomy Chapter 14**

### **Food vs Not Food According To God**

Once again before we get started, I would just like to say welcome to everybody who is joining us for this evening's study into Deuteronomy chapter 14 which primarily talks about clean and unclean food.

But before we get started here this evening, I'd like to address a rather common argument made by many professing Christians today who will argue that all food is now clean. In other words, all animals, all creeping things that crawl upon the ground, all of the vacuum cleaners of the earth that God has already told us is not good for us... has now somehow become miraculously clean and accepted by the Elohim of Israel.

There are a couple of Scriptures that many modern-day Christians will wrongly point to in order to attempt to make the argument that the law of God is dead and along with his law so too are his commandments concerning what food is and what food is not. And so I'd like to address a couple of the Scriptures from the New Testament this evening before we actually get into reading Deuteronomy chapter 14 just in case we have any unstudied Christians in the audience here today who have been wrongly told and taught that it's okay with God for us to have a pig sandwich.

I can assure you that nothing could be farther from the truth according to Scripture and Scripture alone and we will once again prove that fact

through the Scripture and the Scripture alone here this evening. Keeping that in mind, I'd like us to turn to the New Testament this evening and I would like for us to begin our study by reading **Mark chapter 7 verses one through 23 E1**

### **Traditions and Commandments**

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Many modern-day Christians will run to mark chapter 7 in order to attempt to prove that our Messiah declared all foods clean. But I would like to stop here for just a moment in order to define the word, "food" in the Bible.

What is "food" according to God? And an equally important question is what is not "food" according to God? Do you know? Because I would contend that both Leviticus chapter 11 and Deuteronomy chapter 14 both tell us very clearly the definition of "food" according to our Father in heaven. Keeping that in mind, let's now go read **Deuteronomy chapter 14 verses one through 21 E2**

### Clean and Unclean Food

Deu 14:1 "You are the sons of the LORD your God. You shall not cut yourselves or make any baldness on your foreheads for the dead.

Deu 14:2 For you are a people holy to the LORD your God, and the LORD has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.

Deu 14:3 "You shall not eat any abomination.

Deu 14:4 These are the animals you may eat: the ox, the sheep, the goat,

Deu 14:5 the deer, the gazelle, the roebuck, the wild goat, the ibex, the antelope, and the mountain sheep.

Deu 14:6 Every animal that parts the hoof and has the hoof cloven in two

and chews the cud, among the animals, you may eat.

Deu 14:7 Yet of those that chew the cud or have the hoof cloven you shall not eat these: the camel, the hare, and the rock badger, because they chew the cud but do not part the hoof, are unclean for you.

Deu 14:8 And the pig, because it parts the hoof but does not chew the cud, is unclean for you. Their flesh you shall not eat, and their carcasses you shall not touch.

Deu 14:9 "Of all that are in the waters you may eat these: whatever has fins and scales you may eat.

Deu 14:10 And whatever does not have fins and scales you shall not eat; it is unclean for you.

Deu 14:11 "You may eat all clean birds.

Deu 14:12 But these are the ones that you shall not eat: the eagle, the bearded vulture, the black vulture,

Deu 14:13 the kite, the falcon of any kind;

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Deu 14:15 the ostrich, the nighthawk, the sea gull, the hawk of any kind;

Deu 14:16 the little owl and the short-eared owl, the barn owl

Deu 14:17 and the tawny owl, the carrion vulture and the cormorant,

Deu 14:18 the stork, the heron of any kind; the hoopoe and the bat.

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Deu 14:20 All clean winged things you may eat.

Deu 14:21 "You shall not eat anything that has died naturally. You may give it to the sojourner who is within your towns, that he may eat it, or you may sell it to a foreigner. For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. "You shall not boil a young goat in its mother's milk.

Clearly according to the spoken word of our Father in heaven the pig because it parts the hoof but does not chew the cud is unclean for you. Their flesh you shall not eat and their carcasses you shall not touch. And this is just one of the animals that our Father in heaven designates as "not food". And I would submit to you that there are a whole host of animals listed right here in Deuteronomy chapter 14 and again in Leviticus chapter 11 that are not considered food for human consumption and therefore... cannot be designated as food for God's children. And this is extremely important to understand when attempting to understand mark chapter 7 in the New Testament. The nations may be

able to partake of unclean animals... but not God's children and this is crucial to understand.

Notice in Deuteronomy chapter 14 verse 21 that if an animal had died naturally... the child of God could not eat that animal. He could give it to the traveler that was traveling with the house of Israel... but the Israelite... the child of God... could not eat it because it was not food for him. **E1 show**

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The first thing that we need to grasp in Mark chapter 7 is that the context of this conversation has everything to do with eating with dirty hands. It has nothing to do with eating animals that are not considered food for the child of God. The context of this conversation revolves around eating with filthy hands.

It was the tradition once again... there is that word... tradition... of the Pharisees and the elders to wash their hands before they ate. This commandment is found nowhere within the confines of the Torah. Nowhere is it written in the Torah, or the writings of the prophets, or the Psalms that you cannot eat with dirty hands. Nowhere is it written within the Torah, or the writings of the prophets, or the Psalms that eating with dirty hands is a sin. This once again was a made-up tradition of the Babylonian rabbinical Pharisees of our Messiah's time and this is exactly why he tells them in verse six that this people honored him with their lips but their hearts were far from him. They were worshiping him in vain and why? Because they were teaching as doctrines... the

commandments of men that are no doctrines at all. And this is exactly why our Messiah tells them in verse eight and nine that they leave the commandment of God in order to hold onto their own traditions.

When our Messiah says that there is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, he was not talking about pigs and crabs and crustaceans and animals that were not considered food. He was talking about filth from your hands. Nowhere within Mark chapter 7 is there one word mentioned about unclean animals. Nowhere within Mark chapter 7 is there one word mentioned about anything other than dirt from eating with filthy hands. And I would like to draw your attention to Mark chapter 7 verse 19 because it is here that we find another strawman argument coming from the ignorant and the unstudied.

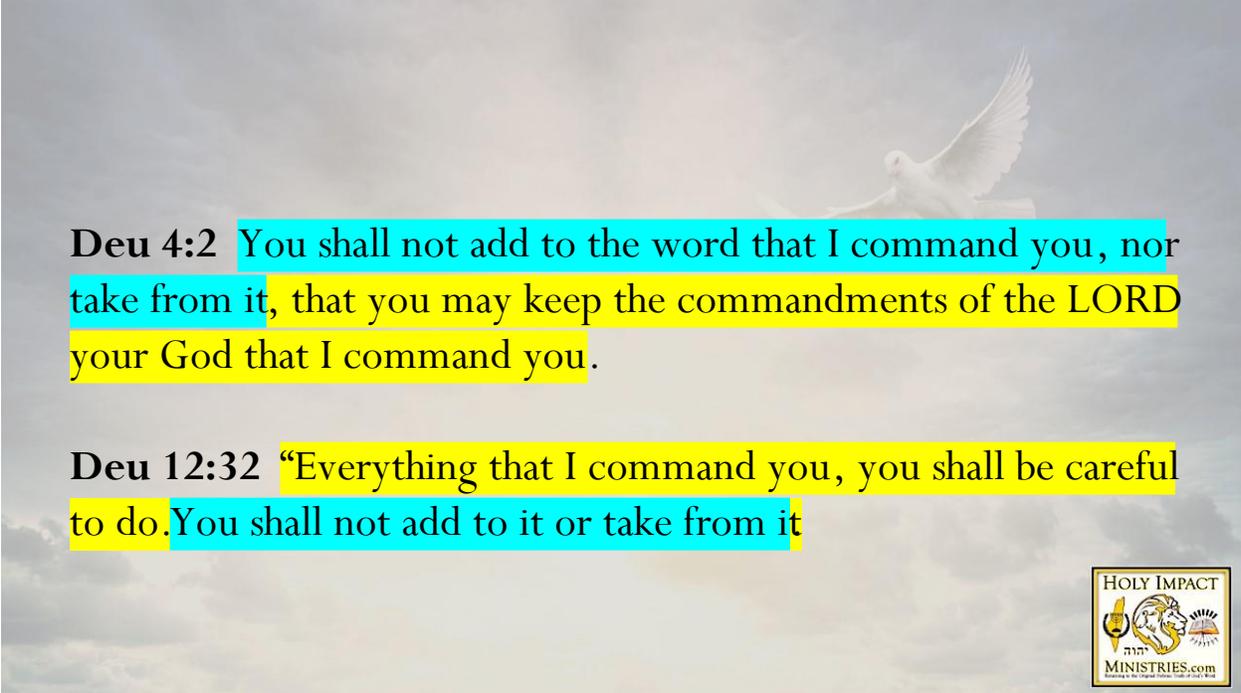
Notice here in the English standard version of Mark chapter 7 verse 19 in parentheses it says, and I quote, “thus he declared all foods clean.”

What we must understand about this statement is that it has been added to your Bible by translators who also are ignorant and unstudied. If we take a look at this exact same Scripture in the King James version of the Bible **Mark chapter 7 verse 19 E3**

**KJV:**

**Mar 7:19** Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?

We can clearly see that the words “thus he declared all foods clean” is missing! It’s not there! Why is that? Because it was never there in the first place that’s why. The translators who inserted that nonsense into the Bible are once again guilty of adding to God’s word and taking away from God’s word which according to God himself is a sin! (**scrn 1**)



**Deu 4:2** You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you.

**Deu 12:32** “Everything that I command you, you shall be careful to do. You shall not add to it or take from it



And so once again, it is imperative that we pay very close attention to anything that is bracketed or in parentheses or in capitol letters that is found within our modern-day English translated Bibles. Because once again my friends, there are many men who have translated many different English versions of the Bible into the English language who clearly had an agenda.

The idea of all foods being clean is true when you consider the definition of what “food” is. Food is what God says food is. Food is not what man says food is. Man says he can eat anything that crawls creeps or flies or swims. But God says that only certain animals are to be used as food. And the animals that God says not to used for food are literally the vacuum cleaners of the earth. Let me ask you this... would you eat food out of the vacuum cleaner that you vacuum your house with?

Pigs were created to eat the toxins of the earth. You can even give a pig arsenic and it won't even hurt him. Pigs even eat their own young, they literally eat anything... which makes them perfect vacuum cleaners of the earth. Crabs and crustacean and shrimp and shellfish eat the dung

from the bottom of the sea in order to keep the sea floor clean and free of toxins. When we introduce those unclean animals into our human bodies, we also become unclean because of the toxins and parasites that they carry.

Keeping all of this in mind, let's go back once again to **Mark chapter 7 verses 20 through 23 E4 show**

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Please notice here once again, that our Messiah says absolutely nothing about eating unclean animals here in Mark chapter 7. Our Messiah is clearly talking about what comes out of the heart of a man not what comes out of his butt hole.

And what is it that comes out of the heart of a man? Evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness, all these evil things come from within, and they are what defile a person. There is nothing here about unclean animals my friends. The context of this chapter once again is all about an argument being made by the rabbinical Pharisees concerning his disciples eating with dirty hands. Nowhere does he declare all foods clean and neither do the pharisees I might add. You simply will not find that lie anywhere within the confines of Mark chapter 7 unless you fall for what man has added to the word of God in parentheses. **(scrn 2 show)**

**Mat 5:17** “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.

**Mat 5:18** For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

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Our Messiah tells us very clearly in Matthew chapter 5 that we are not to think that he came to abolish the Law or the Prophets. He says don't even think that! He says I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. And why did he come to fulfill them? So that we would pick up our crosses and follow him and also fulfill them. We are commanded to pick up our crosses and to follow him and to walk as he walked and to do as he did. We are to keep in remembrance what he did each and every year, year after year so that we don't forget what he did. He was our great example of how to fulfill the law. And he goes on to tell us that until heaven and earth both pass away not the crossing of the T not the dotting of an eye will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. When does that happen? That does not happen my friends until the end of the age in **Revelation chapter 21 E5 (Read 1-6)**

### **The New Heaven and the New Earth**

**Rev 21:1** Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

**Rev 21:2** And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

**Rev 21:3** And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the

dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God.

Rev 21:4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

Rev 21:5 And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

Rev 21:6 And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.

This is when heaven and earth passes away and this is when he says and I quote, "it is done!" and not until. **(scrn 2 show)**

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And therefore, just as our Messiah tells us here in Matthew chapter 5, we are not to think that he has come to abolish the law of the prophets. He did not come to abolish them, has come to do them, to fulfill them and to be an example for us to also do them and to keep them. And the word fulfill does not mean abolished! **(scrn 3 show)**

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πληρόω

**Fulfill =plēroō**  
play-ro'-o

From G4134; to make replete, that is, (literally) to cram (a net), level up (a hollow), or (figuratively) to furnish (or imbue, diffuse, influence), satisfy, **execute** (an office), finish (a period or task), **verify** (or coincide with a prediction), etc.: - **accomplish**, X after, (be) complete, end, expire, fill (up), fulfil, (be, make) full (come), **fully preach**, perfect, **supply**.

Total KJV occurrences: 90



The word fulfill has been translated from the Greek word “pleroo” and pleroo does not mean abolish! Pleroo means to execute, to verify, to accomplish, to fully preach.... and to perfectly supply. It does not mean to abolish and if it did mean abolished... I want you to stop and think about what the church today is trying to say that our Messiah said; (**scrn 4 show**)

**THE CHURCH:**

**Mat 5:17** “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to **abolish** them but to **abolish** them.

**Or**

**THE TRUTH:**

**Mat 5:17** “Do not think that I have come to **abolish** the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to **fully preach** them.



I ask you plainly, which makes more sense? That our Messiah has not come to abolish them but to abolish them? Or... that our Messiah has not come to abolish them but to fully preach them? I implore you to use your own God-given common sense and take a look at these two sentences and tell me which one makes more sense. **(scrn 5 show)**

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And our Messiah even repeats himself a second time in Luke chapter 16 verse 17 when he says and I quote, “But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one dot of the law to become void.” How many times do we have to hear it? How many times does he have to say it before the church today will wake up and have the eyes to see and the ears to hear? (**scrn 6 show**)

**Rom 7:25** Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, **I myself serve the law of God with my mind**, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

**Act 21:23** Do therefore what we tell you (Paul). We have four men who are under a vow; (Nazerite Vow Num. 6)

**Act 21:24** take these men and purify yourself along with them and pay their expenses, so that they may shave their heads. Thus all will know that there is nothing in what they have been told about you, **but that you yourself also live in observance of the law.**



Even the apostle Paul tells us in Romans chapter 7 verse 25 that he served the law of God with his mind but that it was his flesh that continuously got in the way. And in Acts chapter 21 verse 24 the apostle James who was the head of the Jerusalem Council clearly tells Paul to take four men who were under a Nazirite vow to the temple and to purify himself along with them and to pay their expenses so that they can shave their heads. Why did James tell Paul to do this? James told Paul to do this because the Jews in Jerusalem had heard that Paul was preaching against the law. They had misunderstood Paul's teachings just like the church today has misunderstood Paul's teachings and so James tells Paul to take these four men who were under a Nazirite vow to the temple and to purify himself along with them and to pay their expenses so that they can shave their heads, and if you want to know what that entailed you can simply turn to numbers chapter 6 and read about what a Nazirite vow is and why they needed to shave their heads and the sacrifices that needed to be done before they could shave their heads. And this is exactly where the Jews found Paul... at the temple purifying himself and making sure that these men could make the proper sacrifices in order to shave their heads in order to complete their Nazirite vow.

And why was Paul commanded by James and the elders at Jerusalem to do this? So that the Jews would know that there was nothing in what they had been told about Paul but that Paul himself always lived in observance of the law says James and the elders in Jerusalem. And so right here in Acts chapter 21 verse 24 we have confirmation that the Apostle Paul always lived in observance of the law of Yehvoah God.

And my friends, if you have not read that story for yourself, I implore you, I beg you to turn to Acts chapter 21 and read it for yourself in its entirety. Paul never taught against the law. Paul simply taught that the penalty of the law which was death had been moved out of the way and nailed to the cross so that the sinner could return to God. The law itself was not nailed to the cross my friends, the penalty of the law was what was nailed to the cross. And the penalty of the law was known as the curse of the law. This is what was moved out of the way so that the sinner could return to his creator.

And once again I just want to mention the fact that we have many teachings concerning these Bible truths at our website at [HolyImpactMinistries.com](http://HolyImpactMinistries.com) and you can also search our holy impact ministries YouTube channel for literally hundreds of studies on all kinds of topics just like these for absolutely free. All it will cost you is the time that it takes to sit down and view them and to then... to test them to your God breathed Scripture.

And so once again, the idea that Mark chapter 7 allows man to eat any animal that he chooses has once again been found weighed and wanting. The context of Mark chapter 7 is about filthy hands not about filthy animals. And nowhere within the confines of Mark chapter 7 are we ever told that it is okay with God for us to have... a pig sandwich.

Keeping all of this in mind, another chapter of the New Testament that many unstudied Christians love to turn to in order to attempt to prove that all animals are now food for mankind is Acts chapter 10 when Peter

fell into a trance and saw a sheet descending from heaven that had in it all kinds of animals and reptiles and birds of the air. But this particular chapter we will leave for next week's study because there is much to be said about this chapter as well that also does not say anything about making all animals food for mankind.

And so, next week will pick up our study in Acts chapter 10 and we will define the proper context of Acts chapter 10 and exactly what the meaning of the sheet full of animals meant. And we will also define Peter's understanding of the sheet full of animals. And therefore, I would like to invite you back next week as we continue... to test everything.

But I also want to offer you a challenge before you go. I want you to go read Acts chapter 10 for yourself. And I want you to find in your bible who it was that changed the law of God and made all food clean. I want you to find the name of that person within the confines of Acts chapter 10 or the rest of the Bible for that matter... and I want you to present that name of that person to me next Wednesday evening at 7 PM Eastern standard Time. That's your challenge. And I will not confine you to just the book of Acts either. I will extend that challenge to the whole New Testament. Bring me the name of the God, of the high priest, of the prophet, of the apostle, of the angel who tells us in the New Testament that it's okay to eat all animals and to break the commandment of Yehovah the Elohim of Israel. Bring me that name... that's the challenge.

But let me say this... If you're going to take me up on this challenge, you better make a fresh pot of coffee because you're in for a long, long week.

And with that... we will continue our study into Deuteronomy chapter 14 and what God says is food and what God says is not food next Wednesday at 7pm Eastern Standard time. And we will continue to prove through the New Testament itself, that the law of God is indeed not dead.

But until that time, I will do as I always do, and I will ask everyone within the sound of my voice to please take what you have heard here this evening to your own prayer closet. Bow your head and bend your knee and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem and ask in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach of what you have heard here today be true or not.

Ask, seek, and knock on his door and on his door alone so that the proper door can be opened to you. And if you will do that, and if you will stay the course, you and I will surely walk through the gates of his soon coming kingdom together.