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Leviticus Chapter 13b Tying Things Together

Welcome everyone once again to our Holy Impact Ministries Bible study night. We are honored and very humbled to have you here with us this evening as we finish up Leviticus chapters 12 and 13 here this evening.

We won't go back and re-read Leviticus chapters 12 and 13 this evening because we've already done that in our previous studies but, I would like to remind us of the context of Leviticus chapters 12 and 13 before we move forward here this evening. If we will remember correctly, Leviticus chapter 12 had to do with a woman who was giving birth and the concept of understanding that when a woman gives birth, she becomes unclean because of the discharge of blood from her body. And just like all of mankind who has been born into sin, the woman that is giving birth must then follow certain procedural steps that have been laid out by our Father in heaven to first be purified and put back in a clean state... and then lastly to move back into a state of holiness in the eyes of our Father in heaven.

What's important about Leviticus chapter 12, is that it once again reminds us of the different stages that all of mankind must go through in order to become holy in the eyes of his creator. We go from a stage of being unclean and unacceptable to Yahovah because we are in an unclean state, to moving to a purified and clean state so that we can be accepted by him, and then finally from that point we are able to achieve the final plateau which is to be holy in the eyes of our Father in heaven. (**scrn 1**)

The First Five Major Offerings:

- **The Burnt Offering (Olah)**
- **The Grain Offering (Minchah)**
- **The Peace Offering (Selem)**
- **The Sin Offering (Chattath)**
- **The Guilt Offering (Asham)**



Before we go too far here this evening, I would like us to re-examine the five major offerings that bring us from a state of being unclean, to a state of being clean, and then on to a state of being accepted as holy in the eyes of our Father in heaven.

Once again, we have five different major offerings that we find in our Father's Torah, and although all five of these offerings are directly tied to atonement... the largest majority of these sacrificial offerings are not sin offerings that atone for sin. That may sound a little redundant, but stay with me here for just a moment. The burnt offering for example simply creates a pleasing aroma to our Father in heaven that pleases him. The grain offering is an offering that shows our Father in heaven that we understand that it is he that feeds us, and that it is he that provides the harvest. The peace offering then goes on to let our Father in heaven know that we want to live in a state of peace and love and joy and long-suffering in honor of his holy name. And then, and only then, can we finally reach the sin offering that atones for our sins and puts us back into a state of holiness in the eyes of our Father in heaven, upon which time we then finally offer up the guilt offering showing that we are once again in submission to him and to his word and that we are convicted with guilt when we do transgress his spoken word.

All of these five major sacrificial offerings having to do with a step-by-step system, or process that brings us back to holiness in the eyes of our Father in heaven. And it is that holiness that we strive to hold onto. It is that state of holiness that we strive to remain in at all times.

Leviticus chapter 13 has everything to do with being unclean due to disease. We have to remember that in the beginning when our Father in heaven created the heavens and the earth there was no disease. Disease did not come upon the earth until Adam and Eve brought sin into

the world. And it was indeed sin in the of itself that creates disease. Not only physical disease, but also spiritual disease. And that spiritual disease is much more dangerous than any kind of physical disease. Spiritual disease is called “*sin*”. And the biblical definition of “*sin*” can be found in first John chapter 3 verse four where we are clearly told that “*sin*” is the transgression of the law. In other words, the very definition of “*sin*” is transgressing the word of Yahovah.

Our Father in heaven is so holy that nothing unholy or unclean can exist in his presence. And it’s important for us to realize that Yahovah did not only dwell in the wilderness Tabernacle in the holy of holies, but that he also dwelt within the actual camp of Israel. Not says I, but says our God breathed Scripture. **Deuteronomy 23:14 (scrn 2)**

Yehovah Walks In The Midst of Your Camp!

Deu 23:14 Because the LORD your God walks in the midst of your camp, to deliver you and to give up your enemies before you, therefore your camp must be holy, so that he may not see anything indecent among you and turn away from you.



Numbers 5:2-3 (scrn 3)

Yehovah Dwells Within The Camp!

Num 5:2 “Command the people of Israel that they put out of the camp everyone who is leprous or has a discharge and everyone who is unclean through contact with the dead.”

Num 5:3 You shall put out both male and female, putting them outside the camp, that they may not defile their camp, in the midst of which I dwell.”



Therefore, because Yahovah did walk in the midst of the camp of the house of Israel, the house of Israel was required not to let any unclean thing including people reside within the perimeter of the camp. And I want us to stop and think about this for just a moment. It is written that the Ruach Hakodesh, the Holy Spirit of Yahovah does indeed dwell within each one of us who believes and is a true God-fearing, Messiah following, cross bearing Christian. And so, if this is indeed the case, how much more important is it for us today to stay away from any unclean thing?

I would like us to listen to how the apostle Paul explains the importance of remaining in a clean and holy state for a modern-day Christian today in our time. (scrn 4)

Touch No Unclean Thing Says “Paul”!

Eph 5:5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, **nor unclean person**, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

2Co 6:17 Therefore go out from their midst, **and be separate from them**, says the Lord, and **touch no unclean thing**; then I will welcome you,

2Co 6:18 and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty.”



Once again, we need to understand that nothing has changed from the Old Testament to the New Testament. We are still called to remain clean, spotless and without blemish, acceptable and holy in the eyes of our Father in heaven to this very day. Why? Because he does indeed walk in the midst of our camp. And I would submit to you that this is something that today's modern-day professing Christian knows little of.

And I also want us to understand that even the offspring of Aaron who were the Levitical priesthood were not allowed to remain inside the camp if they were diseased, or had any kind of bodily discharge that was seen as unclean. **Leviticus 22:4 (scrn 5)**

Even Unclean Priests!

Lev 22:4 None of the offspring of Aaron who has a leprous disease or a discharge may eat of the holy things until he is clean. Whoever touches anything that is unclean through contact with the dead or a man who has had an emission of semen,



And it is also important to understand that Yahovah himself at times did in fact use these deadly diseases to strike out against those who had sinned against him. Miriam who was the older sister of both Moses and Aaron was a prophetess who is introduced to us in the book of Exodus. And it is written in Numbers chapter 12, that both Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of a Cushite woman (who would have been an Ethiopian woman) that Moses had taken as his wife. This angered Yahovah because Yahovah had already made it clear that Moses was his servant, and it was Moses that spoke for Yahovah as the mediator between Yahovah and men. And therefore, Yahovah struck Miriam with leprosy for seven days and she was forced to live outside of the camp because of her transgression. **Numbers 12:14-15 (scrn 6)**

Yehovah Uses Leprosy To Teach

Num 12:14 But the LORD said to Moses, “If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be shamed seven days? Let her be shut outside the camp seven days, and after that she may be brought in again.”

Num 12:15 So Miriam was shut outside the camp seven days, and the people did not set out on the march till Miriam was brought in again.



And this is not the only time that Yahovah uses disease to teach his children who is in charge. Let's turn to **second Chronicles 26:14-21 E1**

2Ch 26:14 And Uzziah prepared for all the army shields, spears, helmets, coats of mail, bows, and stones for slinging.

2Ch 26:15 In Jerusalem he made machines, invented by skillful men, to be on the towers and the corners, to shoot arrows and great stones. And his fame spread far, for he was marvelously helped, till he was strong.

2Ch 26:16 But when he was strong, he grew proud, to his destruction. For he was unfaithful to the LORD his God and entered the temple of the LORD to burn incense on the altar of incense.

2Ch 26:17 But Azariah the priest went in after him, with eighty priests of the LORD who were men of valor,

2Ch 26:18 and they withstood King Uzziah and said to him, “It is not for you, Uzziah, to burn incense to the LORD, but for the priests, the sons of Aaron, who are consecrated to burn incense. Go out of the sanctuary, for you have done wrong, and it will bring you no honor from the LORD God.”

2Ch 26:19 Then Uzziah was angry. Now he had a censer in his hand to burn incense, and when he became angry with the priests, leprosy broke out on his forehead in the presence of the priests in the house of the LORD, by the altar of incense.

2Ch 26:20 And Azariah the chief priest and all the priests looked at him, and behold, he was leprous in his forehead! And they rushed him out quickly, and he himself hurried to go out, because the LORD had struck him.

2Ch 26:21 And King Uzziah was a leper to the day of his death, and being a leper lived

in a separate house, for he was excluded from the house of the LORD. And Jotham his son was over the king's household, governing the people of the land.

Even when a decree was handed down that someone should be stoned to death for willfully and intentionally transgressing the spoken word of Yahovah, that stoning took place outside of the camp. In the book of Numbers chapter 15, we read about a man who was out collecting sticks on the Sabbath day to build a fire. This was forbidden on the Sabbath day, and because this man had willfully and intentionally transgressed the spoken word of Yahovah (in other words he had willfully and intentionally sinned) he received the death penalty by stoning. This once again had to be done outside of the camp because you could not touch the dead body of a man inside the camp without becoming unclean. **Numbers 15:35-36 (scrn 7)**

The Death Penalty Was Executed Outside The Camp

Num 15:35 And the LORD said to Moses, “The man shall be put to death; all the congregation shall stone him with stones **outside the camp.**”

Num 15:36 And all the congregation **brought him outside the camp** and stoned him to death with stones, as the LORD commanded Moses.



And so, what can we take away from all of this? What is Yahovah trying to show us here in the beginning of the book? And why is it important for us to understand what Yahovah is trying to show us in the beginning of the book?

What our Father in heaven is trying to show us in the beginning of the book is that he is God... and we are not. Yahovah is the one true Most High Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He is the one and only. He is the Most High. He is the creator of the heavens and the earth. He is the one whose image we are created in. And what he says goes, and what man says does not... unless... unless... what man says coincides with and agrees with what Yahovah says.

What we can take away from what we find in the Torah and in the book of Leviticus specifically, is that there is a process that leads up to salvation. Salvation is not a one-step process where you are called down to the front of the aisle to say a sixty second tear filled

prayer and then boom... you're once saved always saved. That my friends is according to the word of man which we have already concluded means absolutely nothing in the eyes of Yahovah.

What we are being shown here in the Torah, and in the book of Leviticus specifically are the stages that it takes for mankind to return to his creator. And I want us to understand that nothing has changed here. There is no difference between what we are reading in the Torah and the book of Leviticus and what we read in the New Testament. The steps that bring us to salvation do not change. The process in of itself has changed because we no longer sacrifice animals for the atonement of sin, but the way upon which we get to salvation remains the same. We still need a High Priest to do these things for us. We still need a High Priest to make atonement for us. We still need a High Priest who has the ability to purify us and make us clean so that... we can come before our Father in heaven and make our petitions known.

We cannot even approach our Father in heaven to ask for the forgiveness of our sin until we are in a clean state. And it is our High Priest... who is our Messiah today that has offered up his own blood that does these things for us. And this is exactly why the law of Yahovah does indeed still stand. If the law of Yahovah no longer stands, then we no longer need atonement. If the law of Yahovah no longer stands, then we no longer need a Messiah to shed his blood. If the law of Yahovah no longer stands, then we no longer need to be clean, or to be obedient, we no longer need a church, we no longer need the body, and the whole house of cards comes tumbling down upon our heads.

It is because the law of Yahovah does still stand to this very day that we do need a High Priest to make a blood atonement for our sins and to pay the ransom required for our souls that have been condemned to death because of our transgression of the law.

In order to better understand the process that it takes to get from the unclean state that we are born into... to a clean state, and then onto a state of holiness, let's turn to the New Testament and let's take a close look at the process of a Canaanite woman that went from an unclean state to a clean state, and finally to a state of holiness in the eyes of our Messiah. We can find that in **Matthew 15:21-28 E2**

Mat 15:21 And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon.

Mat 15:22 And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon."

Mat 15:23 But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us."

Mat 15:24 He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

Mat 15:25 But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me."

Mat 15:26 And he answered, “It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs.”

Mat 15:27 She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.”

Mat 15:28 Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

Before the request of this Canaanite woman was ever even considered by our Messiah... he had to know that she knew and accepted him for who he was. Once this Canaanite woman had shown and demonstrated to our Messiah that she did understand who he was... and once this Canaanite woman humbled herself before him and likened herself to a dog that eats the crumbs that fall from her masters table... then.... then and only then was her request granted. And it was no longer a matter of taking the children's bread and tossing it to the dogs... because she was at that moment elevated from the status of a dog... to the status of one of the children. What a powerful, powerful story this is!

We must remember that everything that our Messiah did in front of the apostles was done to teach them a lesson, an example. Did our Messiah know that this Canaanite woman believed in him before she ever even spoke? Of course he did. The reason that our Messiah allowed this situation to play out the way that it did, was so that his Apostles and you and I could look back on what took place here in the book of Matthew chapter 15 and better understand the process that it takes for us to go from being born in sin, in an unclean state... to a clean state... and then on through the obedience of baptism and the commitment to follow after him... we finally become holy through his blood sacrifice that he made for all who humble themselves before him and agree to do the will of his Father in heaven.

This Canaanite woman was unclean, and according to our Messiah he likened her unto a dog because this is the state that we are all born into because of the sin of man that occurred in the Garden of Eden when man fell through the auspices of Adam.

But when this Canaanite woman brought herself low, and showed our Messiah that she also knew that she was likened unto a dog because of her sin... and when she confessed this to him... this is when the woman became clean. And it was at this point in time when this woman had come clean, that our Messiah was able to finally elevate her to a status of holiness that was worthy to have her petition granted. This Canaanite woman had followed the three-step process that leads each one of us to the free gift of salvation that our Messiah is.

Our journey from unclean, to clean, to holy... is a step by step process just like it was back in the beginning of the book. The sacrificial offerings are still required... even though today in our time they are not physically done like they were in the book of Leviticus ... they are still done spiritually by our High Priest who is Yeshuah Hamashiach when we willfully and intentionally choose to pick up our crosses and to follow him and to acknowledge that he is our High Priest.

The burnt offering has already been lit, the grain offering, and the peace offerings, have already been made. And both the sin offering, and the guilt offering of our High Priest in the order of Melchizedek has been acknowledged and accepted through the blood of our Passover lamb who is the descendent of David, the seed of Abraham, the prophet likened unto Moses, and the offspring of a human woman who came to crush the head of the serpent. And his name is Yeshua Hamashiach, (Jesus the Christ in the Greek).

Our sacrificial offerings as a nation of priests are the sins that we sacrifice on the altar of his mercy and his grace each and every day. When we choose him over sin, and what the flesh wants... when we deny ourselves and our flesh, we are fulfilling each and every commandment found here in the book of Leviticus that leads us to his unfolding plan of salvation for us as his children. And this is exactly what the Apostle Paul was trying to tell us in the 6th chapter of the book of Romans that we're going to look at in just a few minutes.

But before we do that, it's important for us to understand why it's important for us to read the beginning of the book in order to have the ability to conceptualize... and understand the process that it takes for us to go from the unclean state that we are born into... to a clean state that is acceptable in the eyes of Yahovah... and then finally to a state of holiness?

The law is not dead as so many denominational empires so wrongfully and shamefully proclaim. The law (which is the spoken word of Yehovah) is simply obeyed, and achieved by other means. We no longer have to be concerned with separate blood offerings because our High Priest in the order of Melchizedek has already made our petition with his Father and sanctified that petition when we first opened our eyes and accepted who he was and what he had done for us. When we first believed... when we willfully and intentionally made the conscious decision to pick up our crosses and to follow him... we became spiritually clean in his eyes. When we humbled ourselves and admitted that we were sinful, when we confessed our sins to him as sinners just like the Canaanite woman... we were purified by the life-giving water that is our Messiah.

The very reason that our Messiah came to preach and to teach his Father's word, was to wash man in the truth, and to lay down his own life in order to remove man's heart of stone and replace it with a heart of flesh that would convict a man to humbled himself, and to make himself low so that our Messiah could then bring man back to his Father clean, pure, and justified.

It is this heart of the flesh that we have been given that moves us to the watery grave of baptism to follow the only begotten Son of Yehovah down into the watery grave of death and baptism in order to become one with him so that... we can be raised up a new creature, and to finally be seen as... holy once again just as man originally was in the garden of Eden in the eyes of his Father back in the very beginning.

Let's take the time to jump ahead to the New Testament and take a quick look at **Romans**

chapter 6: E3

Rom 6:1 What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?

Rom 6:2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?

Rom 6:3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

Rom 6:4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

Rom 6:5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

Rom 6:6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.

Rom 6:7 For one who has died has been set free from sin.

Rom 6:8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

Rom 6:9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

Rom 6:10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.

Rom 6:11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Rom 6:12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions.

Rom 6:13 Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

Rom 6:14 For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

Rom 6:15 What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means!

Rom 6:16 Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?

Rom 6:17 But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed,

Rom 6:18 and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

Rom 6:19 I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

Rom 6:20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

Rom 6:21 But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things **is death**.

Rom 6:22 But now that you have been set free from sin and **have become slaves of God**, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, **eternal life**.

Rom 6:23 **For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Romans chapter 6 does a very good job of encapsulating all of the different sacrificial offerings of the Torah in the beginning of the Bible, and how it is that we achieve our Father's mercy and his grace through our High Priest who is Yeshua Hamashiach is only begotten Son.

What we need to understand is that it is not the word for word instruction of the Torah that saves us. It is understanding the spiritual implications of the Torah that shows us how to properly love the one who first spoke the Torah (which is the first five books of the Bible by the way).

Yehovah has given us the writings of Moses which are the words that Yehovah spoke, to study and to understand spiritually. What do these 5 main offerings tell us about our Creator? What do these 5 main offerings give to us spiritually? They give us an earthly mechanical conceptual insight as to what it takes to come back to our Father in heaven and be restored to our originally intended state, and to be what we were originally designed, and created for, and that is to fear God and to keep his commandments because his will, his righteousness, his mercy, and his saving grace is written across our fleshly hearts and embedded in our minds just as he prophesied that they would be.

Each one of us comes from Yehovah God. We have his breath, we are created in his image, we live on his earth, we eat his food, and we were created to be one with him just like our Messiah was one with him. Just as our Messiah became the word of Yehovah made flesh... so too are we called to pick up our crosses and to follow our Messiah and walk as he walked so that... we too can become the word of Yehovah made flesh. You see that's the goal, that's the crown, that's the whole idea behind his removing our hearts of stone and replacing them with a heart of flesh that can once again be capable of not only feeling his love for us... but reciprocating that love back to him. It is that unbroken circle that our Father seeks.

The spoken word of Yehovah was never meant to be taken word for word and letter for letter. He was showing us spiritual things in an earthly way that we as little children could understand. The problem is that the majority of the house of Israel did not understand the bigger picture of what these things meant and what they pointed to. **Romans 9:30-33 (scrn 8)**

Why Israel Could Not Attain The Law

Rom 9:30 What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, **a righteousness that is by faith;**

Rom 9:31 but that Israel who pursued **a law that would lead to righteousness** did not succeed in reaching that law.

Rom 9:32 Why? **Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works.** They have stumbled over the stumbling stone,

Rom 9:33 as it is written, “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and **a rock of offense;** and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”



Here in Romans chapter 9 the apostle Paul is comparing Gentiles with Jews. And he is making the point that Israel who pursued the law that would indeed lead to righteousness according to the apostle Paul... did not succeed in reaching the law.

And so, it's important for us to understand that Israel was pursuing **a law that would indeed lead to righteousness** says Paul... and I want us to catch that... Paul says and I quote, “*a law that would lead to righteousness*”. Once again, we see Paul expounding upon the fact that the law does indeed lead to righteousness and this once again is something that today's modern day Christian denominational Empire has long ago forgotten and become completely ignorant of today in our time.

The problem is that Israel did not succeed in reaching the law or righteousness because they pursued the law incorrectly. If they would have pursued the law correctly... by seeing the bigger picture like David did who knew full well that it was not the blood of bulls and goats that saved someone but that it was a contrite heart... if they would have pursued the law correctly the way that David did with a contrite heart... they would have attained righteousness through the law. But because they did not pursue the law by faith through the love of Yahovah... they stumbled over the stumbling stone who is our Messiah. Those who taught the law were so lost that they couldn't even recognize their own Messiah that was written about, and prophesied about in the law. Why? Simply put... because their heart was not in it.

And it's important for us to make the point that Paul was not teaching and preaching against the law here in Romans chapter 9, he was simply comparing the proper way to follow the law with the improper way to follow the law.

Everything that our Father in heaven ever did pointed directly to how much he loved us, and to what he was willing to give up to save us from ourselves. We wanted to know good from evil. We just had to open that box by listening to our Father's adversary and taking what did not belong to us back in the Garden of Eden and I tell you the truth my friends... we're still taking things that only belong to our Father in heaven. Look at what we have done to his creation.

GMO food that's been re-engineered by men. Cloning animals, re-engineering the human reproductive system in crisper machines, putting drugs in the water supply that was meant to heal us and purify us. And now... as we stand in the midst of a global pandemic... we're now about to mix our DNA with the DNA of dead human children that were willfully and intentionally murdered by wicked men and women so that man can once again attempt to take the place of God in trying to prolong his days.

Man, just keeps taking, and taking, and taking, and never giving. All man wants is what our Father's adversary wants... and that is to be.... God. Who is it that we have become one with? Have we become one with our Father in heaven... or have we become the sons of Satan himself? To this very day it's all about money and power and prestige, and greed and vengeance. It's all about looking younger, and living longer and defying death for as long as possible. Man shakes his fist in the face of his Creator each and every day by taking and desecrating what does not belong to him in his feeble attempt to play God for just another day.

The Pharisees of our Messiah's time who brought their own religion up out of the throws of Babylon were called the sons of the Devil because they had rejected the word of God in order to hold onto their own traditions. They claimed to be teaching and preaching the law of Moses, and they ignorantly thought in their wicked minds that it was the letter of the law that Moses had given them that would ultimately save them. They actually believed that it was the act of circumcision that saved them. How ridiculous! That's like saying that the act of baptism saves someone. It is not the act that saves anyone... if that act is not done through faith and the love of Yehovah then the act is nothing but an act. God is not looking for actors my friends... he is looking for those who would worship him in both spirit and in truth because they love him the way that he loves them. Listen closely to how our Messiah tries to explain why the Pharisees and Scribes do not believe in him. **John 5:37-47 E4**

Joh 5:37 And the Father who sent me has himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen,

Joh 5:38 and you do not have his word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom he has sent.

Joh 5:39 You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me,

Joh 5:40 yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.

Joh 5:41 I do not receive glory from people.

Joh 5:42 But I know that you do not have the love of God within you.

Joh 5:43 I have come in my Father's name, and you do not receive me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive him.

Joh 5:44 How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?

Joh 5:45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope.

Joh 5:46 For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me.

Joh 5:47 But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

Notice here in John 5:42, our Messiah says that he knows that they do not have the love of God within them. This is what it's all about... the love of Yehovah God his Father. How many of us today refuse to receive our Messiah... and yet choose to receive some pastor, priest, bishop or pope? How many today refuse to accept the teaching of the word of Yehovah, and the one that he sent... but would rather choose someone else that comes in their own name or from a denominational Empire that they themselves have built?

They held up their twisted image of Moses as their god, and began to worship the words that Moses wrote on parchment instead of opening their hearts and their eyes to understand the words that Moses wrote. And the whole time they did not believe what Moses wrote. Because if they would have believed what Moses wrote... they would have been able to immediately recognized their Messiah who was standing right there in front of their faces.

Man, to this day loves to receive glory from one another rather than receiving glory from his creator. It's all about what some so-called early church father said, or what some pope said or what some Babylonian rabbi or sage said. Man loves to receive glory from man rather than Yehovah and this in of itself is indeed thievery, and theft. Man has once again taken the authority that belongs to Yahovah God... and made a mockery out of it, and used it for his own wicked purpose. How many times will man steal from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? How many times does man need to fall before he wakes up and smells the coffee?

Man worships his denominational empires, he worships his monolithic structures and basilicas, he worships his charters of men, and his councils of men, he worships his brick and mortar institutions and philosophical houses of higher learning. Man worships his sports stars, and Hollywood court jesters, he worships his music idols, and his money, and his career and prestige... but he to this day refuses to worship his own Father whose breath fills his lungs, and who's heart beats within his very chest.

What we have just read in the 12th and 13th chapters of the book of Leviticus should cause us to stop and think about why what is clean and what is unclean is so important to our Father in heaven. Why does he put so much emphasis on the separation of what is clean from what is unclean? Why is the whole of his word built around the concept of his selecting, electing, and dividing? Why does he want a set apart people? Why does he not want his children to become friends of the world? Are we so blind that we cannot see these things? Are we so dumbfounded

that we have no answers to these questions?

All of this selecting, electing, and dividing between the clean and the unclean has a much, much larger meaning than what we will ever see by simply reading the text word for word, or keeping the law by the letter and not understanding what the text meant, what the text pointed to, and what the text was meant to lead us out of and to from the very beginning. We have to stand back from the text to see the bigger picture. If we're standing three inches away from a painting that is 100 feet by 100 feet in size... we will never be able to see or to enjoy the bigger picture in all of its glory without stepping back far enough to see the whole of the picture.

The point that I'm trying to make here is that even our Messiah tells us that if we don't believe the writings of Moses... we're not going to believe in our Messiah. Why? Because if we don't read, and believe the writings of Moses who wrote about our Messiah... we're not going to believe in the true Messiah at all, because that is where he is first proclaimed! We're going to be easily led to believe in another Jesus, another messiah, another man-made version of a messiah if we don't believe the writings of Moses and... and... understand them properly.

Why do people get diseases in the first place? When we sleep around and commit adultery, we receive in ourselves the due penalty of our sin. Socially contracted diseases are the result. When we eat things that are unclean, we receive in ourselves the due penalty of our sin. When we secretly defy our Father in heaven and his commandment, we receive in ourselves the due penalty for our sin. When a community, or a nation re-engineer it's food, and its water, and its livestock, and its vegetation... that community or nation will indeed receive in themselves the due penalty for their sin. You cannot make perfect what is already perfect. The human body is a machine that was designed by a craftsman to work as the craftsman designed it to work. You don't put kerosene in a gasoline engine. It wasn't designed for that kind of fuel. And the same goes for man. The body that was given to man was designed to function at it's peak by eating and drinking what our Creator designed for us to eat and drink. And when we do things with this body that our Creator designed... that it was not designed to do... we both individually and often times corporately receive in ourselves the due penalty of our sin. Lets turn to **Romans 1:18-32 E5**

Rom 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.

Rom 1:19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them.

Rom 1:20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

Rom 1:21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Rom 1:22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools,

Rom 1:23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

Rom 1:24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves,

Rom 1:25 because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

Rom 1:26 For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature;

Rom 1:27 and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error.

Rom 1:28 And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done.

Rom 1:29 They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips,

Rom 1:30 slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents,

Rom 1:31 foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless.

Rom 1:32 Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

No matter what sin that we commit... we will indeed receive in ourselves the due penalty for what we have done if we do not repent, and turn and seek his face. And even then... at times, the debt for our sin must be paid here on earth because we have also broken the laws of man. And man does not so easily forgive. And by the way... there does indeed come a time when our Father in heaven has had enough, and he does indeed give us over to our own dishonorable passions, and I tell you the truth my friends... many today in our time have already been turned over to their own dishonorable passions. Though they know God's righteous decree, that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them... but they give approval to those who practice them.

The point is, that nothing good comes from sin. Nothing good comes from transgressing the commandment of our Creator. A good way to be rejected by our Father is for us to continue to return to our sin, and to continue to transgress his spoken word over and over again like a dog that returns to its vomit. **Hebrews 10:26-30 E6**

Heb 10:26 For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

Heb 10:27 but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume

the adversaries.

Heb 10:28 Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses.

Heb 10:29 How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace?

Heb 10:30 For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people."

Heb 10:31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Once saved always saved??? Maybe according to some denominational empire or some council of men, or some so called early church father... but not according to the word of Yehovah God. **Hebrews 6:4-6 E7**

Heb 6:4 For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit,

Heb 6:5 and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come,

Heb 6:6 and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding him up to contempt.

Romans 11:17-22 E8

Rom 11:17 But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root of the olive tree,

Rom 11:18 do not be arrogant toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root, but the root that supports you.

Rom 11:19 Then you will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in."

Rom 11:20 That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand fast through faith. So do not become proud, but fear.

Rom 11:21 For if God did not spare the natural branches, neither will he spare you.

Rom 11:22 Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you continue in his kindness. Otherwise you too will be cut off.

Do not be so presumptuous as to think that just because you have been grafted into the olive tree... that you cannot be cut out of the olive tree just like the unbelieving Jews were cut out of the olive tree. Once saved always saved is for those who worship the advisory, not for those who worship the Father. It is a doctrine of demons and has been from its introduction into the

church generations ago.

There is indeed much more that could be said concerning what we are reading here in the book of Leviticus and how it ties into the salvation that we are promised and what we know as the New Testament. But we will continue on in the study of these things next week as we continue on into Leviticus chapters 14 and 15 and learn even more about the concept of the clean and the unclean. And we invite you back next Wednesday evening at 7 PM Eastern standard Time for that most important study.

In the meantime, as we close the books this evening, I would like to invite you to our study this coming seventh day Sabbath when we will be discussing the importance of Hanukkah and the feast of dedication and why it is so important for a modern-day Christian to understand why the second Temple was still standing when our Messiah arrived on the world stage when he came the first time. And why our Messiah defended that temple calling it the house of his Father. That particular study begins on our Father's seventh day Sabbath, this coming Saturday morning at 11 AM Eastern standard Time.

With that being said I would like to once again ask everyone within the sound of my voice to please take what you have heard here today to your own prayer closet. Bow your head, bend your knee, and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem, and ask in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach if what you have heard here today be true or not. Ask, seek, and knock on his door and on his door alone, and the door will 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.