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Leviticus 19

You Shall Keep My Statutes!

Once again, I would like to begin this evening by thanking everyone for joining us for this evening's Bible study and by saying what a blessing it is to be here with you this evening.

Last week during our study into Leviticus chapter 18 we talked about unlawful sexual relations and what our Father in heaven has to say about our behavior along those lines and right alongside of this list of unlawful sexual relations that our Father calls “sexual immorality” our Father in heaven mentions something else very troubling to him that has to do with worshipping other gods.

Believe it or not, the House of Israel was well entrenched in worshipping other gods, and the practice of sacrificing children to the God Moloch was common in Phoenicia and other surrounding countries during that time. In fact, it was so prevalent during that time that even Manasseh who was a King over Israel began to lead the House of Israel into these same kinds of abominations. And so, before we get into Leviticus chapter 19, I'd like us to begin our study this evening by examining **second Chronicles 33:1-9 E1**

2Ch 33:1 Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty-five years in Jerusalem.

2Ch 33:2 And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, according to the abominations of the nations whom the LORD drove out before the people of Israel.

2Ch 33:3 For he rebuilt the high places that his father Hezekiah had broken down, and he erected altars to the Baals, and made Asheroth, and worshiped all the host of heaven and served them.

2Ch 33:4 And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD had said, “In Jerusalem shall my name be forever.”

2Ch 33:5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.

2Ch 33:6 And he burned his sons as an offering in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, and used fortune-telling and omens and sorcery, and dealt with mediums and with necromancers. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD, provoking him to anger.

2Ch 33:7 And the carved image of the idol that he had made he set in the house of God, of which God said to David and to Solomon his son, “In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, I will put my name forever,

2Ch 33:8 and I will no more remove the foot of Israel from the land that I appointed for your fathers, if only they will be careful to do all that I have commanded them, all the law, the statutes, and the rules given through Moses."

2Ch 33:9 Manasseh led Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem astray, to do more evil than the nations whom the LORD destroyed before the people of Israel.

Right here in second chronicles chapter 33 we can see a perfect example of what happens when we get caught up in the current, and the whirlwind of the world. Even in the days of the House of Israel, their leaders also led them astray in some of the most heinous and disgusting ways imaginable. And of course we know that Yehovah had the Kings of Syria capture Manasseh with hooks and bound him with chains of bronze and bring him down into Babylon, and this is when Manasseh finally begins to turn back to Yehovah and once Manasseh had finally turned back to Yehovah, Yehovah gave Manasseh his position as King over the House of Israel back to him and set him back on his throne... but not until he understood who the one true Elohim of Israel was.

Manasseh had to learn a hard lesson because he himself was once again caught up in the whirlwind and the current of the world. And I want us to stop right here for just a moment, and I want us to think about how easy it is for each and every one of us even today in our time to be caught up in the whirlwind and the current of the world. How easy is it for us to be caught up in a culture that marries one man to another man... how easy it is for us to get caught up in a culture that tries to dictate to itself what righteousness is and what righteousness is not. How easy it is for us to get caught up in thinking that it's all about us and what we want. In a culture where homosexuality abounds... in a culture where a man can say that he is a woman, and a woman can say that she is a man... in a culture where man once again attempts to dictate to himself what is right and what is wrong because of his own self-righteousness and his own vanity.

I want us to attempt to understand why Yehvoah, our Father in heaven mentions other gods alongside of His commandment concerning unlawful sexual behavior. Yehvoah mentions other gods alongside of his commandment concerning unlawful sexual behavior because they are both seen as adultery in his eyes. One always leads to the other. Both unlawful sexual behavior, and the worship of other gods are detestable to him. They are seen by him as abominations. Both unlawful sexual behavior (also known as sexual immorality) and the worship of other gods lead us away from him and back to our own vanity.

One of the strongest human deceptions of the flesh has to do with sex. More people are drawn away from Yehovah because of their sexual desires than anything else. Sex in of itself is indeed nothing more than another form of addiction when it comes to the flesh for many people. Doing what feels good in the moment, into what is righteous in our own eyes has been a major downfall of mankind from the very beginning of the history of mankind. And this in of itself is indeed what leads us into darkness in the first place. It is indeed our sexual desires... our fleshly desires that our adversary uses to lead us down the path to destruction.

Think for just a moment what happened to David when he saw Bathsheba bathing on the rooftop. Think about how Samson was destroyed by Delilah, think of the woman of Timnah, the harlot of Gaza, and Delilah of Sorek, and how these foreign women were used by our adversary to lead some of the greatest biblical patriarchs down into the pit. Think about why king Solomon himself fell from the lofty place that he fell from. Let's turn for just a moment to **1st Kings 11:1-8 E2**

1Ki 11:1 Now King Solomon loved many foreign women, along with the daughter of Pharaoh: Moabite, Ammonite, Edomite, Sidonian, and Hittite women,

1Ki 11:2 from the nations concerning which the LORD had said to the people of Israel, "You shall not enter into marriage with them, neither shall they with you, for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods." Solomon clung to these in love.

1Ki 11:3 He had 700 wives, who were princesses, and 300 concubines. And his wives turned away his heart.

1Ki 11:4 For when Solomon was old his wives turned away his heart after other gods, and his heart was not wholly true to the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his father.

1Ki 11:5 For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites.

1Ki 11:6 So Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and did not wholly follow the LORD, as David his father had done.

1Ki 11:7 Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, and for Molech the abomination of the Ammonites, on the mountain east of Jerusalem.

1Ki 11:8 And so he did for all his foreign wives, who made offerings and sacrificed to their gods.

Is it so difficult to understand why our Father in heaven relates unlawful sexual behavior with the worshiping of other gods? Is it so difficult to understand why he equates unlawful sexual behavior with adultery? Anything... and I repeat "anything"... that leads us away from our Father in heaven and his precepts and his commandments is indeed seen as another god in his eyes. It is adultery in the worst possible capacity imaginable!

Please my friends do not think that sexual depravity is not one of the most powerful tools of our adversary. Great men and even kings have been sifted by our adversary through the pull and the enticement of sexual depravity since the beginning of mankind. Even from the days of Adam and Eve... the low hanging fruit of sexual depravity has been a major tool that has been used by our adversary to bring mankind to its knees before him over and over again, and it's important that we know and understand just how powerful this kind of depravity can be, and why it is that we must defend ourselves and our children and our children's children from it. Whole nations have been brought down into the pit because of sexual depravity, and sexual depravity is the first sign of a nation that is about to fall. Our Father in heaven will not have it, nor will we turn his face from it, or wink in the eye of ignorance when it comes to sexual immorality, and the wickedness that men do. It is an abomination and is just as wicked as the

worship of other gods because sexual immorality is... the worship of another god. Know it... understand it... and heed this warning. The evidence of such things are found written all throughout our God breathed scripture, and they're there for a reason!

The delusion of sexual immorality is a strong potion, it is a strong delusion that our adversary uses like a hook in the jaws of mankind to lead him down into the pit of depravity and condemnation, and we must guard ourselves from this kind of perversion, and the worship of these kinds of other gods that our flesh loves to worship. Man often times confuses love... with sexual immorality. Man often times confuses what true love is... with sex, and what the flesh yearns for. The truth is my friends that true love has little if anything to do with sex. Sex was created for the purpose of creation so that man would once again multiply and take dominion of the earth just as our Father in heaven told him to do... but it was never intended to lead man away from our Father in heaven. It was never meant to be used against our children, or against each other, or against our Father in heaven and those who use it in this way will indeed be thrown to the ground.

Keeping these things in mind... I'd like us to make note of what our Messiah wrote to the assembly at Thyatira in the book of Revelation. **Revelation 2:18-29: E3**

Rev 2:18 "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: 'The words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze.

Rev 2:19 "I know your works, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your latter works exceed the first.

Rev 2:20 But I have this against you, that you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess and is teaching and seducing my servants to practice sexual immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols.

Rev 2:21 I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her sexual immorality.

Rev 2:22 Behold, I will throw her onto a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her I will throw into great tribulation, unless they repent of her works,

Rev 2:23 and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches will know that I am he who searches mind and heart, and I will give to each of you according to your works.

Rev 2:24 But to the rest of you in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not learned what some call the deep things of Satan, to you I say, I do not lay on you any other burden.

Rev 2:25 Only hold fast what you have until I come.

Rev 2:26 The one who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations,

Rev 2:27 and he will rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received authority from my Father.

Rev 2:28 And I will give him the morning star.

Rev 2:29 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

All throughout the bible we see man being led astray through the agency of sexual

immorality and depravity. And it is through such things that otherwise good men are brought down into the pit. I want us to listen closely to the letter that the Apostle Paul wrote to the assemblies in Rome, and exactly what the Apostle Paul warned the assembly in Rome about in **Romans 1:18-32 E4**

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.

In nations around the world where men are being married to men and women are being married to women, and where transgenderism and the wicked, and demonic practice of pedopheleism is now being practiced by those who sit in high places... let me sound the trumpet of warning in your ears here today... let me kick over the tables in your temples... let me blast the sirens and set off the alarms in your hearts... you will in no wise escape the due penalty for what you have done and are still doing to this very day. You will in no way escape

the penalty for over-writing the laws of the one true Most High Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob with your own man-made laws.

You who lead nations... you who sit atop of your ivory towers... you who sit in lofty places of power and authority here on this earth will indeed be devoured by vultures, and your bodies will indeed be food for birds of prey because you... have preyed on the very people that you rule over, and you... and your authority will indeed be cast into the pit because of what you have willfully and intentionally done against the Most High Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob! For you... there will be no escape... and for you... the end is near. And the end that is coming for you is indeed an everlasting end also known as... the second death.

Stand in your own glory, stand in our own pride, stand in the iniquity of your sexual immorality, and return like a dog to its vomit and like a pig to its mire, and continue in your abominations because the angel of death already has your name in his hand, and the eye of the creator of the heavens and the earth is about to blot your name out of the book of life because of the very laws that you write, and the iniquity that you have established by your own authority. The chains of darkness, and shame, and defilement are coming for you and those like you who have made your bed a bed of pleasure in all of its pomp and pageantry. You who trouble our children with your sexual perversions and defile the land upon which you tread will indeed pay the price for your wickedness, and the world will indeed look upon you and see just how poor, wretched and naked that you truly are without the glory of Yehovah. Your day is soon coming... and so to is the same angel of death who came for Egypt.

And with that being said... let us always remember the power that our adversary holds, and let us always remember to put on the full armor of Yehovah, and always be awake and at the ready.

Keeping these things in mind... let us now turn our attention to Leviticus chapter 19 and let us read it for ourselves so that we can not only know what it says but just as importantly... what it does not say. **Leviticus chapter 19; E5**

The Lord Is Holy

Lev 19:1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

Lev 19:2 "Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

Lev 19:3 Every one of you shall revere his mother and his father, and you shall keep my Sabbaths: I am the LORD your God.

Lev 19:4 Do not turn to idols or make for yourselves any gods of cast metal: I am the LORD your God.

Lev 19:5 "When you offer a sacrifice of peace offerings to the LORD, you shall offer it so that you may be accepted.

Lev 19:6 It shall be eaten the same day you offer it or on the day after, and anything left over until the third day shall be burned up with fire.

Lev 19:7 If it is eaten at all on the third day, it is tainted; it will not be accepted,
Lev 19:8 and everyone who eats it shall bear his iniquity, because he has profaned what is holy to the LORD, and that person shall be cut off from his people.

Love Your Neighbor as Yourself

Lev 19:9 "When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, **neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest.**

Lev 19:10 And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. **You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner:** I am the LORD your God.

Lev 19:11 "You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another.

Lev 19:12 You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

Lev 19:13 "You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired worker shall not remain with you all night until the morning.

Lev 19:14 You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

Lev 19:15 "**You shall do no injustice in court.** You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but **in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor.**

Lev 19:16 **You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people,** and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

Lev 19:17 "**You shall not hate your brother in your heart,** but **you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him.**

Lev 19:18 **You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people,** but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

You Shall Keep My Statutes

Lev 19:19 "**You shall keep my statutes.** You shall not let your cattle breed with a different kind. You shall not sow your field with two kinds of seed, nor shall you wear a garment of cloth made of two kinds of material.

Lev 19:20 "If a man lies sexually with a woman who is a slave, assigned to another man and not yet ransomed or given her freedom, a distinction shall be made. They shall not be put to death, because she was not free;

Lev 19:21 but he shall bring his compensation to the LORD, to the entrance of the tent of meeting, a ram for a guilt offering.

Lev 19:22 And the priest shall make atonement for him with the ram of the guilt offering before the LORD for his sin that he has committed, and he shall be forgiven **for the sin that he has committed.**

Lev 19:23 "When you come into the land and plant any kind of tree for food, then you shall regard its fruit as forbidden. Three years it shall be forbidden to you; it must not be eaten.

Lev 19:24 And in the fourth year all its fruit shall be holy, an offering of praise to the LORD.

Lev 19:25 But in the fifth year you may eat of its fruit, to increase its yield for you: I

am the LORD your God.

Lev 19:26 "You shall not eat any flesh with the blood in it. You shall not interpret omens or tell fortunes.

Lev 19:27 You shall not round off the hair on your temples or mar the edges of your beard.

Lev 19:28 You shall not make any cuts on your body for the dead or tattoo yourselves: I am the LORD.

Lev 19:29 "Do not profane your daughter by making her a prostitute, lest the land fall into prostitution and the land become full of depravity.

Lev 19:30 You shall keep my Sabbaths and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD.

Lev 19:31 "Do not turn to mediums or necromancers; do not seek them out, and so make yourselves unclean by them: I am the LORD your God.

Lev 19:32 "You shall stand up before the gray head and honor the face of an old man, and you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

Lev 19:33 "When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong.

Lev 19:34 You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

Lev 19:35 "You shall do no wrong in judgment, in measures of length or weight or quantity.

Lev 19:36 You shall have just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.

Lev 19:37 And you shall observe all my statutes and all my rules, and do them: I am the LORD."

One of the first things that we see in Leviticus chapter 19 is that the house of Israel was commanded to be holy just as Yehovah is holy. And I would like to once again reference exactly what our Messiah commands us to do as modern-day Christians today. Let's take a close look at exactly what is being said here in the first couple of verses of Leviticus and what our Messiah commands us to do today. (**scrn 1**)

Be Holy (Perfect) Even As Your Father In Heaven!

OLD TESTAMENT (Moses):

Lev 19:1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

Lev 19:2 “Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, **You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.**

NEW TESTAMENT (Yehshua):

Mat 5:48 **You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.**



Once again, it should be evident to everyone who picks up their Bible and reads it for themselves that there really is no difference between what we see in what we know as the “Old Testament” and what we see in the “New Testament”. Our Messiah did not come to destroy, or nullify, or do away with, or abolish his Father’s word, he came to re-establish and confirm his Father’s word. Just as we see here in Leviticus chapter 19 in the beginning of the book... we are to be “holy” and why? Because our Father in heaven is “holy”. When our Messiah commands us to pick up our crosses and to follow him, who is he really telling us to follow? Who does he follow? He follows his Father in heaven. Therefore... when we pick up our crosses and follow our Messiah, we are doing as he did in following his Father which is why he came in the first place... to bring us back to his Father in heaven. Not to establish his own birthday, his own sabbath and his own rule of law. And this is important for us to grasp as we read the text for ourselves while asking for his discernment and not the discernment of today’s denominational empires of men.

If we jump down to Leviticus chapter 19 verse 19, we once again see how important it is that we keep HIS statutes. The actual Hebrew word for “statutes” is the Hebrew word “khook-kaw” (chuqqah) and it literally means “custom, manner” or “ordinance”... in other words... we are to keep what he says is to be our custom, or manner. It is his ordinances that we live by not our own. And it’s important for us to understand the social statutes of our Father in heaven, so I’d like us to once again slow down and take a close look at exactly what these social statutes are. (scrn 2)

Major Social Concerns in the Covenant

1. Personhood

Everyone's person is to be secure (Ex 20:13; Dt 5:17; Ex 21:16-21, 26-31; Lev 19:14; Dt 24:7; 27:18).

2. False Accusation

Everyone is to be secure against slander and false accusation (Ex 20:16; Dt 5:20; Ex 23:1-3; Lev 19:16; Dt 19:15-21).

3. Woman

No woman is to be taken advantage of within her subordinate status in society (Ex 21:7-11, 20, 26-32; 22:16-17; Dt 21:10-14; 22:13-30; 24:1-5).

4. Punishment

Punishment for wrongdoing shall not be excessive so that the culprit is dehumanized (Dt 25:1-5).

5. Dignity

Every Israelite's dignity and right to be God's freedman and servant are to be honored and safeguarded (Ex 21:2, 5-6; Lev 25; Dt 15:12-18).

6. Inheritance

Every Israelite's inheritance in the promised land is to be secure (Lev 25; Nu 27:5-7; 36:1-9; Dt 25:5-10).

7. Property

Everyone's property is to be secure (Ex 20:15; Dt 5:19; Ex 21:33-36; 22:1-15; 23:4-5; Lev 19:35-36; Dt 22:1-4; 25:13-15).

8. Fruit of Labor

Everyone is to receive the fruit of his labors (Lev 19:13; Dt 24:14; 25:4).

9. Fruit of the Ground

Everyone is to share the fruit of the ground (Ex 23:10-11; Lev 19:9-10; 23:22; 25:3-5; Dt 14:28-29; 24:19-21).

10. Rest on Sabbath

Everyone, down to the humblest servant and the resident alien, is to share in the weekly rest of God's Sabbath (Ex 20:8-11; Dt 5:12-15; Ex 23:12).

11. Marriage

The marriage relationship is to be kept inviolate (Ex 20:14; Dt 5:18; see also Lev 18:6-23; 20:10-21; Dt 22:13-30).

12. Exploitation

No one, however disabled, impoverished or powerless, is to be oppressed or exploited (Ex 22:21-27; Lev 19:14, 33-34; 25:35-36; Dt 23:19; 24:6, 12-15, 17; 27:18).

13. Fair Trial

Everyone is to have free access to the courts and is to be afforded a fair trial (Ex 23:6, 8; Lev 19:15; Dt 1:17; 10:17-18; 16:18-20; 17:8-13; 19:15-21).

14. Social Order

Every person's God-given place in the social order is to be honored (Ex 20:12; Dt 5:16; Ex 21:15, 17; 22:28; Lev 19:3, 32; 20:9; Dt 17:8-13; 21:15-21; 27:16).

15. Law

No one shall be above the law, not even the king (Dt 17:18-20).

16. Animals

Concern for the welfare of other creatures is to be extended to the animal world (Ex 23:5, 11; Lev 25:7; Dt 22:4, 6-7; 25:4).



I took this snapshot from one of my Bible study references and I wanted to present this to us this evening because it directly pertains to what we're looking at here in the 19th chapter for the book of Leviticus. These are just some... the statutes of Yehovah that he commands us to keep concerning his social statutes. One of his statutes is that every person is to be secure, and we see that all throughout the scripture in places like Exodus 20:13 and Deuteronomy 5:17, and again here in Leviticus 19:14. Another statute is that everyone is to be secure against slander and false accusations, and another statute is that no woman is to be taken advantage of within her subordinate status in society. Another statute is that punishment for wrongdoing shall not be excessive. Another statute is that every Israelites dignity and right to be Yehovah's freedman and servant are to be honored and safeguarded. Another statute is that every Israelites inheritance in the promised land is to be secure. Another statute is that everyone's property is to be secure. Another statute is that everyone is to receive the fruit of their labor. Another statute is that everyone is to share the fruit of the ground. Another statute is that everyone including the alien that travel with the house of Israel are to keep his seventh day Sabbath. Another statute is marriage between one man and one woman is to be kept safe from violation, once again one man and one woman are to become one flesh. Another Statute is that no one no matter how disabled or impoverished or powerless is to be oppressed or exploited. Another statute is that everyone is to be afforded a fair trial. Another statute is that every persons God given place in the social order is to be honored. Another statute is that no one shall be above the law, not even kings and queens. And another statute is that concern for the welfare of other creatures is to be extended to the animals of the earth as well.

And so, we should be able to see exactly what all of our Father's statutes do for us not only

as individuals... but as a community and a body. His statutes are a blessing upon us if... if we are obedient to them. Keeping this in mind... let me ask you... is your government keeping these statutes? Are those who rule and reign above you doing what our Creator says to do and are they governing the way that he commands us to be governed? I'll let you answer that question depending on where you live on this blue marble. But I would submit to you that this is not what our leaders here in the United States are doing. And I would submit to you that I do not know of a nation on the planet today that is doing and keeping these statutes today in our time. But that should not surprise us because even the house of Israel in Moses time were not keeping these statutes. And how hard is it to keep these statutes by the way? Are they really that difficult?

We have a President today in the United States that just signed a presidential order to allow little boys to enter into the bathrooms of little girls and vice versa. Any pedophile, any homosexual, any perverted person who is mentally challenged who wants to clam that he is a she, or that she is a he... can now invade the most private places of our children where no one else can see and intimidate them and ridicule them and yes even molest them in our public bathrooms because of the wicked proclamation of one single man who has decided for himself... that the safety and privacy of our children means nothing, and neither do the statutes of Yehovah our Father in heaven. Once again my friends... this man who claims to be a devout Catholic is just that... he is a Catholic... not a Christian. There is a difference. And just as we have said so many times before... Catholicism is not Christianity. Catholicism is Catholicism. It is a mixing and mingling of Paganism and is not Christian. And once again we see todays human law makers willfully and intentionally disregarding the sanctity of life, and the very statutes put forth by our Father in heaven who directly forbids us to see the nakedness of those we are not married to.

The proclamation of man who usurps the power and the glory and the authority of God himself and creates a law for himself to marry one man to another and one woman to another will not stand. And the land that has been perverted by those who live in it will vomit out it's inhabitation, and we are about to see the vomiting out of the inhabitation of the land before our very eyes and I tell you the truth my friends... we will be our Father's witnesses to this event because it is indeed coming. In order for our Father in heaven to be a just God... it must happen.

The Bible speaks of other gods like Moloch the god of the Amorites, and Ashtoreth the goddess of Easter, and the fact that even the house of Israel was involved in sacrificing their children to these gods... but I ask you plainly... what are we doing today in our time through things like abortion? Are we not sacrificing our children in the name of the self-serving god of convenience? Are we not sacrificing our children to the god of government who now claims to usurp the authority of God himself by instituting such godless laws? Are we so full of our own vanity... and have we become so apathetic that we will willfully and intentionally allow these evils to be done in the land that we live? And if so... then who are we truly. What do we stand for? If we do not stand now... then when? We must remember that we also live in this land, and

if this land vomits out it's inhabitants... we too will be vomited out. Are we standing for... or against what is happening in our land? Are we part of the solution... or part of the problem? Is it to inconvenient for us to stand for what is right, right here where we live? And if so... how then can we expect to live in our Father's coming kingdom? If we cannot stand here... what makes us think that we will stand there?

I tell you the truth my friends... we are living in the day of decision. This is a test that we must not fail. Those who use the excuse that they are in this world but are not part of this world will soon see the error of their ways for taking this scripture out of context if they haven't already. They too will suffer the consequences of not speaking, and not standing for what is right and what is just in the eyes of our Father in heaven. They too will suffer the cost of not being the salt of the earth and not being the light of the world. They too will suffer for hiding under their beds and winking in the eye of ignorance and wickedness. Our Messiah did not wink in the eye of wickedness... he called it out for what it was, and our Messiah would not have stood for what we have stood for in our God given land today.

We must remember that it was the government of Rome... that murdered our Messiah. It was by the hands of the Romans that he was crucified. Not because he stood silent... but because he stood for what was right. The majority had the opportunity to set our Messiah free when they were asked who Pilot should crucify. And it was the majority that cried out for a known murderer to be set free... while an innocent man was put to death. And I tell you the truth my friends... so too will it happen to many of us. A servant is not greater than his master. The very reason that our Messiah was crucified was because... not enough good men stood. Not enough people stood for what was right. To many remained silent... even Peter himself not only remained silent... but flat out rejected our Messiah out of fear for his own life.

These my friends are lessons that can be learned from and should be learned from. Let us not make the same mistakes that Peter made, or that Judas made, or even that David himself made. Let us learn from their mistakes. Let us see what their mistakes are urning to teach us. Let us understand why it is that we have these God breathed scriptures to teach us. And let us understand that these God breathed scripture are indeed God breathed for a reason. And that reason is so that we will learn. There is nothing to be learned by going with the flow or standing with the wicked other than the wrath of God. And so, as we walk out our lives upon this earth today let us always remember the statutes of Yehovah our Father in heaven and let us always remember who we are and what we have been called out of and what we have been called to. Let us always remember that we are no different from the house of Israel back in Moses day. What they have done, we have done, and where they have fallen short, we too today have fallen short.

What we see in the beginning of the book in our Father's Torah is but a mirror of who mankind is today. Every mistake, every blunder, every sin, that has been made in the Old Testament is being made on the earth this very day around the world. And this is exactly why... there is such a thing as the second death. It is because we do not heed the warning of Leviticus

chapter 19 verse 19... that we will indeed witness the wrath of Yehovah upon this earth, and it is because we do not heed the warning of Leviticus chapter 19 verse 19 that the land will vomit out its inhabitance. And let there be no mistake when it happens... why it happened. Yehovah will once again show the world that he is Yehovah and that there is no other, and that man is not his own god, nor are there any other gods before him.

This is not the day to stand with the cowardly. This is the day to stand with Yehovah. This is not the day to run and hide... this is the day to stand and fight for what is right in our Father's eyes. This is not the day to be silent... but the day to speak truth. This is not the day to stop sowing... but to sow. Not to bend and assimilate... but to stand firm and reject what we know is evil. This is not the day to give in... but to endure. It is not the day to bow down... but to conquer! Learn... know... and understand the statutes and the holiness of Yehovah and stand in them. Know and understand that he is our strength and our length of days. And fear not what man can do to the body... but fear what Yehovah can do to both body and spirit by casting them into the pit. Man cannot cast us into the pit... unless... unless we allow him to do so. The choice is ours to make, and it is our choice to live... or to die by. **Deuteronomy 30:11-20 E6**

Deu 30:11 "For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off.

Deu 30:12 It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?'

Deu 30:13 Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?'

Deu 30:14 But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.

Deu 30:15 "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil.

Deu 30:16 If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it.

Deu 30:17 But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them,

Deu 30:18 I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess.

Deu 30:19 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live,

Deu 30:20 loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

There is no real difference between what we know as the "Old Testament" and the "New". It is all built around, and on the foundation of the spoken word of Yehovah our Father in heaven. Leviticus chapter 19 verses 9 through 18 have everything to do with loving your neighbor as

yourself. It talks about not harvesting your whole field but allowing some part of it for the poor and the traveler. It talks about not stealing or lying to one another. It talks about not oppressing your neighbor or robbing him. It talks about not slandering each other, and not hating your brother in your heart. It talks about not taking vengeance on your neighbor. All of these things have to do with loving your neighbor. And where else do we hear of this concept of loving your neighbor? (scrn 3)

Love Your Neighbor As Yourself!

Mat 22:37 And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

Mat 22:38 This is the great and first commandment.

Mat 22:39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Mat 22:40 On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”



Once again, I ask you plainly... where is the difference between the old and the new? Does our Father in heaven not proclaim the end from the beginning? Did our Messiah not come to preach his Father's word? And did he not become the law of God made flesh as an example to us to also strive to follow him and become the law of God made flesh? And make no mistake about it my friends... the law is the word of God, and the word of God is the law of God. Therefore... what we are reading here today in the 19th chapter of the book of Leviticus is nothing new, but rather what was established as a foundation from the beginning, and still indeed does stand to this very day.

Moving forward, I'd like to also bring our attention to **Leviticus chapter 19 verses 26 through 28 (scrn 4)**

Sorcery And The Dead

Lev 19:26 “You shall not eat any flesh with the blood in it You shall not interpret omens or tell fortunes.

Lev 19:27 You shall not round off the hair on your temples or mar the edges of your beard.

Lev 19:28 You shall not make any cuts on your body for the dead or tattoo yourselves: I am the LORD.



Once again, the drinking of blood, and omens and fortune tellers all have to do with Paganism and sorcery, and praying to the dead. None of these things have anything to do with a true God fearing, Messiah following cross bearing Christian. And this is why it was commanded not to mar the edges of your beard. Marring or cutting the edges of the beard and tattooing were things that were done in the worship and honoring of the dead. These were pagan things that they were involved in and so we must once again understand why our Father in heaven commands them not to mar or cut the edges of their beards or to tattoo themselves. He told them not to do these things because these were practices of the Pagans who worshiped other gods and had turned to other spirits.

Today people do not cut the edges of their beards or tattoo themselves for the dead, or because they are worshiping omens and fortunetellers... at least not by and large. But this was a practice back in the times of Moses, and so we need to understand why it was forbidden at that time, which should once again remind us not to dabble in omens and fortune tellers and praying to the dead and necromancy and all of those kinds of things that the Catholic community is involved in. It is clearly written that the dead know nothing and do not share in anything that is done under the sun. **Ecc 9:5-6 (scrn 5)**

The Dead Know Nothing!

Ecc 9:5 For the living know that they will die, but the dead know nothing, and they have no more reward, for the memory of them is forgotten.

Ecc 9:6 Their love and their hate and their envy have already perished, and forever they have no more share in all that is done under the sun.



These television program that have to do with ghost hunters who lie to people and tell them that their houses are haunted by dead people are nothing but fraudulent actors that have nothing to do with reality. If your relative is dead... they are dead and they know nothing, and they have no more share in all that is done under the sun because they are asleep awaiting the resurrection just like everyone else. And this is exactly why we are commanded not to pray or to speak to the dead. This is another one of our Father's statutes that we see in Leviticus chapter 19. Lets turn our attention very quickly to **Deutoronomy 18:9-14 E7**

Deu 18:9 "When you come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the abominable practices of those nations.

Deu 18:10 There shall not be found among you anyone who burns his son or his daughter as an offering, anyone who practices divination or tells fortunes or interprets omens, or a sorcerer

Deu 18:11 or a charmer or a medium or a necromancer or one who inquires of the dead,

Deu 18:12 for whoever does these things is an abomination to the LORD. And because of these abominations the LORD your God is driving them out before you.

Deu 18:13 You shall be blameless before the LORD your God,

Deu 18:14 for these nations, which you are about to dispossess, listen to fortune-tellers and to diviners. But as for you, the LORD your God has not allowed you to do this.

If you are talking to the dead, praying to the dead, or listening to someone who is a medium or necromancer or someone who inquires of the dead you are being led astray and away from

the spoken word of Yehovah who commands us not to be ensnared in such things. In other words... if you're watching ghost hunting programs on TV who proclaim that they are talking with dead human beings... SHUT IT OFF! Yehovah your God has not allowed you to do this. And that is a very clear cut, and direct commandment from your Father in heaven. There are no ifs, ands, or buts about it. Cut it off, and do not be ensnared by these kinds of wicked things that our Father says is an abomination to him.

And that word "sorcerer" in verse 10 comes from the Hebrew word "kaw-shaf" (kashaph) which means "witchcraft" in the Hebrew. In other words your fortune tellers and mediums, and people who inquire of the dead on tv are also known as "witches" in the eyes of Yehovah, and these things are indeed forbidden according to the spoken word of Yehovah the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. And this once again is part and parcel of the Roman Catholic faith, and this is exactly where our American "Halloween" comes from. Once again... Catholicism has filled the earth with wickedness and is indeed a perversion of Christianity and is not Christianity itself. There is a difference between Catholicism and Christianity.

With all of that information under our belts... we will close the books for now until we pick up where we left off in Leviticus chapter 19 next Wednesday evening at 7pm Eastern standard time.

Until then... I will ask as I always do... that you would please take what you have heard here today to your own prayer closet, and bow your head, and bend your knee, and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem and ask in the name of Yehshua 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 to the end... you and I will surly walk through the gates of his soon coming kingdom.