

Leviticus 22

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Restrictions against the Unclean

1And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying: **2**Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Israel, which they hallow unto Me, and that they profane not My holy name: I am the LORD. **3**Say unto them: Whosoever he be of all your seed throughout your generations, that approacheth unto the holy things, which the children of Israel hallow unto the LORD, having his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from before Me: I am the LORD. **4**What man soever of the seed of Aaron is a leper, or hath an issue, he shall not eat of the holy things, until he be clean. And whoso toucheth any one that is unclean by the dead; or from whomsoever the flow of seed goeth out; **5**or whosoever toucheth any swarming thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or a man of whom he may take uncleanness, whatsoever uncleanness he hath;

6the soul that toucheth any such shall be unclean until the even, and shall not eat of the holy things, unless he bathe his flesh in water. **7**And when the sun is down, he shall be clean; and afterward he may eat of the holy things, because it is his bread. **8**That which dieth of itself, or is torn of beasts, he shall not eat to defile himself therewith: I am the LORD. **9**They shall therefore keep My charge, lest they bear sin for it, and die therein, if they profane it: I am the LORD who sanctify them.

10There shall no common man eat of the holy thing; a tenant of a priest, or a hired servant, shall not eat of the holy thing. **11**But if a priest buy any soul, the purchase of his money, he may eat of it; and such as are born in his house, they may eat of his bread. **12**And if a priest's daughter be married unto a common man, she shall not eat of that which is set apart from the holy things. **13**But if a priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, and have no child, and is returned unto her father's house, as in her youth, she may eat of her father's bread; but there shall no common man eat thereof. **14**And if a man eat of the holy thing through error, then he shall put the fifth part thereof unto it, and shall give unto the priest the holy thing. **15**And they shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, which they set apart unto the LORD; **16**and so cause them to bear the iniquity that bringeth guilt, when they eat their holy things; for I am the LORD who sanctify them.

Worthy Offerings

17And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying: **18**Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them: Whosoever he be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that bringeth his offering, whether it be any of their vows, or any of their free-will-offerings, which are brought unto the LORD for a burnt-offering; **19**that ye may be accepted, ye shall offer a male without blemish, of the beeves, of the sheep, or of the goats. **20**But whatsoever hath a blemish, that shall ye not bring; for it shall not be acceptable for you. **21**And whosoever bringeth a sacrifice of peace-offerings unto the LORD in fulfilment of a vow clearly uttered, or for a freewill-offering, of the herd or of the flock, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish therein. **22**Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scabbed, or scurvy, ye shall not offer these unto the LORD, nor make an offering by fire of them upon the altar unto the LORD. **23**Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing

too long or too short, that mayest thou offer for a freewill-offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted. **24**That which hath its stones bruised, or crushed, or torn, or cut, ye shall not offer unto the LORD; neither shall ye do thus in your land. **25**Neither from the hand of a foreigner shall ye offer the bread of your God of any of these, because their corruption is in them, there is a blemish in them; they shall not be accepted for you.

26And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying: **27**When a bullock, or a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days under the dam; but from the eighth day and thenceforth it may be accepted for an offering made by fire unto the LORD. **28**And whether it be cow or ewe, ye shall not kill it and its young both in one day. **29**And when ye sacrifice a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the LORD, ye shall sacrifice it that ye may be accepted. **30**On the same day it shall be eaten; ye shall leave none of it until the morning: I am the LORD. **31**And ye shall keep My commandments, and do them: I am the LORD.

32And ye shall not profane My holy name; but I will be hallowed among the children of Israel: I am the LORD who hallow you, **33**that brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the LORD.