

KINGDOM EMBASSY MINISTRIES

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- Leviticus 9:1-11:47; 20:7-26
- Ephesians 5:15-21
- Matthew 3:11-17; 26:36-39
- Jeremiah 23:1-2
- Malachi 2:7-8; Amos 6:3-7
- Acts 5:1-11; 10:9-16, 28
- Matthew 12:31-32; 5:48
- I Peter 1:13-16; 22-25
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Be holy as Yahweh is holy! Is this some quippy euphemism for the much harsher words of Y'shua Himself, "Be perfect as My Father in Heaven is perfect?" "Hey, just do your best and don't worry so much about radical obedience. There's plenty of wiggle room to do things your own way and He will still bless you anyway." I don't think Nadab and Abihu would agree. They paid the ultimate price for insulting Yahweh's holiness. What price are you paying?

THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE "For I am the LORD your God. You shall therefore consecrate yourselves, **and you shall be holy; for I am holy.** Neither shall you defile yourselves with any creeping thing that creeps on the earth. For I am the LORD who brings you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. **You shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.**" Leviticus 11:44-45 NKJV

"Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and **offered profane fire** before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. So fire went out from the LORD and devoured them, and they died before the LORD. And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke, saying: '**By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.'** " So Aaron held his peace." Leviticus 10:1-3 NKJV

OUTCOME: MAIN TAKEAWAY(S) I AM HOPING FOR PEOPLE

"Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am the LORD your God. And you shall keep My statutes, and perform them: I am the LORD who sanctifies you." Leviticus 20:7-8 NKJV

"You shall therefore distinguish between clean animals and unclean, between unclean birds and clean, and you shall not make yourselves abominable by beast or by bird, or by any kind of living thing that creeps on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean. And you shall be holy to Me, for I the LORD am holy, and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be Mine." Leviticus 20:25-26 NKJV

"Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; **as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance;** but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."" I Peter 1:13-16 NKJV

Let's Set the Scene: Portion in a blurb

 The text describes the events of the eight day after setting up the Tabernacle, a phenomenal worship service followed by a tragic incident. The reading concludes with the biblical dietary laws regarding animals fit for consumption and prohibitions regarding those that are unfit.

- 2. **The Priestly Ministry Begins:** on the eighth day Aaron and his take over their priestly duties first making a sin offering for themselves and then for the people. Then also a bull and a ram as peace offerings, and a grain offering mixed with oil; Moses tells to make these offerings as commanded and the glory of the Lord will appear to you.
- 3. They do the offerings exactly as prescribed and then Aaron lifted his hand toward the people and blessed them.
- 4. Moses and Aaron then went into the tabernacle of meeting, and came out and blessed the people and the glory of Yahweh appeared to all the people, and fire came out from before the Lord and consumed the burnt offering and the fat on the altar. When all the people saw it, they should and fell on their faces.
- 5. The Profane Fire of Nadab and Abihu: the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before the Lord, which He had not commanded them. So fire went out from the Lord and devoured them, and they died before the Lord.

- 6. Moses tells Aaron, "This is what the Lord spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.' "
- So Aaron held his peace and accepted the consequences of Yahweh, the life of his sons because they offered unauthorized fire.
- 8. Aaron's uncle's (Uzziel) sons are called to carry them by their tunics out of the camp.
- 9. Next in line to the priesthood: Aaron's sons Eleazar and Ithamar. They are essentially told not to mourn the loss of their brother, but instead let the whole house of Israel express great regret for the burning which Yahweh has kindled.
- 10. Conduct Prescribed for Priests: statutes forever
 - (a) Do not drink wine or intoxicating drink when you go into the tabernacle of meeting so you may distinguish between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean, and that you may teach the children of Israel all the statutes of the Lord.
 - (b) They are again instructed which parts of the grain offering, wave offering, and heave offering, are their due portion to eat.
- 11. Eleazar and Ithamar are then rebuked for not eating the sin offering in the holy place. But Aaron explains to Moses that they was cautious after such things had befallen him that day (the

death of Nadab and Abihu). When Moses heard that, he was content.

- 12. Foods Permitted and Forbidden: These *are* the animals which you may eat among all the animals that *are* on the earth: Among the animals, whatever divides the hoof, having cloven hooves *and* chewing the cud—that you may eat. Nevertheless these you shall not eat among those that chew the cud or those that have cloven hooves: the camel, because it chews the cud but does not have cloven hooves, the rock hyrax, because it chews the cud but does not have cloven hooves, the hare, because it chews the cud but does not have cloven hooves, *is* unclean to you; and the swine, though it has cloven hooves, yet does not chew the cud. Don't eat their flesh nor touch their carcasses.
- 13. These you may eat of all that *are* in the water: whatever in the water has fins and scales, whether in the seas or in the rivers. that you may eat. Any sea creatures that do not have fins and scales, all that move in the water or any living thing which *is* in the water, they *are* an abomination to you. You shall regard their carcasses as an abomination.
- 14. And these you shall regard as an abomination among the birds: the eagle, the vulture, the buzzard, the kite, and the falcon, every raven, the ostrich, the short-eared owl, the sea gull, and

the hawk, the little owl, the fisher owl, and the screech owl, the white owl, the jackdaw, and the carrion vulture, the stork, the heron after its kind, the hoopoe, and the bat.

- 15. All flying insects that creep on *all* fours *shall be* an abomination to you. Yet these you may eat of every flying insect that creeps on *all* fours: those which have jointed legs above their feet with which to leap on the earth. These you may eat: the locust, the cricket, and the grasshopper. All other flying insects which have four feet shall be an abomination to you.
- 16. Unclean Animals: By these you shall become unclean; whoever touches the carcass of any unclean animal shall be unclean until evening.
- 17. These also *shall be* unclean to you among the creeping things that creep on the earth: the mole, the mouse, and the large lizard after its kind; the gecko, the monitor lizard, the sand reptile, the sand lizard, and the chameleon. Whoever touches them when they are dead shall be unclean until evening.
- 18. Anything on which any of them falls, when they are dead shall be unclean. It must be put in water. And it shall be unclean until evening; then it shall be clean.
- 19. Any earthen vessel into which *any* of them falls you shall break; and whatever *is* in it shall be unclean:

- 20. Nevertheless a spring or a cistern, *in which there is* plenty of water, shall be clean.
- 21. And if a part of *any such* carcass falls on any planting seed which is to be sown, it *remains* clean.
- 22. Even clean animals that die become unclean to touch and you will be unclean until evening. He who eats of its carcass shall wash his clothes and be unclean until evening.
- 23. And every creeping thing that creeps on the earth shall be an abomination. It shall not be eaten. Whatever crawls on its belly, whatever goes on all fours, or whatever has many feet among all creeping things that creep on the earth—these you shall not eat, for they *are* an abomination.
- 24. You shall therefore consecrate yourselves, and you shall be holy; for I *am* holy. For I *am* the Lord who brings you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. You shall therefore be holy, for I *am* holy.
- 25. This is the law to distinguish between the unclean and the clean, and between the animal that may be eaten and the animal that may not be eaten. (Leviticus 11:46-47)

YAHWEH'S ALL-CONSUMING FIRE

1. Authorized or Unauthorized Fire, That is the Question.

A. <u>Mutual Submission of the Prophet and Priest Brings Fiery</u> <u>Power</u>

- (1) Look here on what happens when the prophets and priest work together!
 - (a) "Then Moses said, "This is the thing which the LORD commanded you to do, and the glory of the LORD will appear to you."" Leviticus 9:6 NKJV
- (2) The PROPHET and the PRIEST acting TOGETHER! Fire comes! [Let's call this authorized fire, as opposed to what happens next!]
 - (a) "And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of meeting, and came out and blessed the people. Then the glory of the LORD appeared to all the people, and fire came out from before the LORD and consumed the burnt offering and the fat on the altar. When all the people saw it, they shouted and fell on their faces." Leviticus 9:23-24 NKJV
 - (b) *Could it be that authorized fire requires the prophet and priest (in a sense) to be working together or minimally, in agreement (mutually submitted)?
- (3) Submitting to one another certainly appears to be very powerfully according to the Apostle Paul!

- (a) "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another in the fear of God." Ephesians 5:15-21 NKJV
- (4) Picture this mutual submission now between Moses and Aaron! (In this case the prophet to the priest)
 - (a) "Then Moses made careful inquiry about the goat of the sin offering, and there it was—burned up. And he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron who were left, saying, "Why have you not eaten the sin offering in a holy place, since it is most holy, and God has given it to you to bear the guilt of the congregation, to make atonement for them before the LORD? See! <u>Its</u> <u>blood was not brought inside the holy place; indeed</u> <u>you should have eaten it in a holy place, as I</u> <u>commanded."</u> And Aaron said to Moses, "Look, this

day they have offered their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD, and such things have befallen me! If I had eaten the sin offering today, would it have been accepted in the sight of the LORD?" So when Moses heard that, he was content." Leviticus 10:16-20 NKJV

- (b) After all that just happened with Aaron's other two sons Nadab and Abihu (see below), who made an "error" by doing their own thing, Eleazar and Ithamar are a little apprehensive and nervous about doing it "wrong" so they mess up. Aaron intercedes for them as they were not being deliberately rebellious and the Prophet is content (gracious) with the heart of the matter.
- (5) To fulfill all Righteousness (the Prophet and the High Priest)
 - (a) "I [John] indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." Then Jesus came from Galilee to

John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" **But Jesus answered** and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."" Matthew 3:11-17 NKJV

- (b) The son is pleasing as He is willing to be fully submitted (in this case to the Prophet) and next to His Father!
- (6) Not My will...
 - (a) "Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and said to the disciples, "Sit here while I go and pray over there." And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed. Then He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me." He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it

is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will. "" Matthew 26:36-39 NKJV

B. Doing Your Own Thing Brings Fiery Judgment

- (1) Profane Fire
 - (a) "Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane [NOT SACRED/SET-APART, THE OPPOSITE OF HOLY!] fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. So fire went out from the LORD and devoured them, and they died before the LORD. And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.' " So Aaron held his peace." Leviticus 10:1-3 NKJV
 - (b) Called to holiness and acting in a way that is not holy is never a good choice, especially those called to leadership. Yes, Yahweh is gracious, but it would appear there was no room here as it would set a precedent for the priests of Yahweh (pastor) to go do their own thing, unauthorized things! Has the church built its own kingdom?

- ""Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of My pasture!" says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD God of Israel against the shepherds who feed My people: "You have scattered My flock, driven them away, and not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for the evil of your doings," says the LORD." Jeremiah 23:1-2 NKJV
- 2. ""Who is there even among you who would shut the doors, So that you would not kindle fire on My altar in vain? I have no pleasure in you," Says the LORD of hosts, "Nor will I accept an offering from your hands." Malachi 1:10 NKJV
- 3. ""For the lips of a priest should keep knowledge, And people should seek the law from his mouth; For he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts. But you have departed from the way; You have caused many to stumble at the law. You have corrupted the covenant of Levi," Says the LORD of hosts." Malachi 2:7-8 NKJV
- "Woe to you who put far off the day of doom, Who cause the seat of violence to come near; Who lie on beds of ivory, Stretch out on your couches, Eat lambs from the flock And calves from the midst of the stall;

Who sing idly to the sound of stringed instruments, And invent for yourselves musical instruments like David; Who drink wine from bowls, And anoint yourselves with the best ointments, But are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph. Therefore they shall now go captive as the first of the captives, And those who recline at banquets shall be removed."Amos 6:3-7 NKJV

- (2) We see another very dire account of a similar severe and decisive judgment of unauthorized activity in the book of Acts.
 - (a) "But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession. And he kept back part of the proceeds, his wife also being aware of it, and brought a certain part and laid it at the apostles' feet. But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself? While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God." Then Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and breathed his last. So great fear came upon all those who heard

these things. And the young men arose and wrapped him up, carried him out, and buried him. Now it was about three hours later when his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. And Peter answered her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much?" She said, "Yes, for so much." Then Peter said to her, "**How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord?** Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out." **Then immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last.** And the young men came in and found her dead, and carrying her out, buried her by her husband. So great fear came upon all the church and upon all who heard these things." Acts 5:1-11 NKJV

- (b) This wealthy couple devised a scheme to deceive the Holy Spirit, as if that is even possible. The consequences appear overly harsh, would you say? Yet, Yahweh is setting a precedent for all those who wish to blasphemy the Holy Spirit. They were trying to APPEAR HOLY yet they were just doing their own thing. We are called to be holy!
 - (a) ""Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the

Spirit will not be forgiven men. Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; **but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come**." Matthew 12:31-32 NKJV

BE HOLY

2. Holiness is not a Recommendation

A. Holiness and all its Glory

- (1) A **Priest (Pastor)** must be able to distinguish between holy and common, clean and unclean.
 - (a) "Then the LORD spoke to Aaron, saying: "Do not drink wine or intoxicating drink, you, nor your sons with you, when you go into the tabernacle of meeting, lest you die. It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations, that you may distinguish between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean, and that you may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD has spoken to them by the hand of Moses."" Leviticus 10:8-11 NKJV
 - (b) Leaders of the priesthood are called to distinguish between clean and unclean, holy and unholy. Are the leaders of the church today doing this? Do they even

know the full meaning of the command to be holy? Can you define Holy?

- (2) The **people** are accountable and must be able to distinguish between holy and common, clean and unclean.
 - (a) "'And every creeping thing that creeps on the earth shall be an abomination. It shall not be eaten. Whatever crawls on its belly, whatever goes on all fours, or whatever has many feet among all creeping things that creep on the earth—these you shall not eat, for they are an abomination. You shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creeps; nor shall you make yourselves unclean with them, lest you be defiled by them. For I am the LORD your God. You shall therefore consecrate yourselves, and you shall be holy; for I am holy. Neither shall you defile yourselves with any creeping thing that creeps on the earth. For I am the LORD who brings you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. You shall therefore be holy, for I am holy. 'This is the law of the animals and the birds and every living creature that moves in the waters, and of every creature that creeps on the earth, to distinguish between the unclean and the clean, and between the

animal that may be eaten and the animal that may not be eaten.' "" Leviticus 11:41-47 NKJV

- (b) Can members of the Church distinguish between the animal that may be eaten and the animal that may not be eaten? Does it apply today; do they care?
- (c) "Therefore you shall be **perfect**, just as your Father in heaven is **perfect**." Matthew 5:48 NKJV
- (3) What foods are clean and unclean? [See also I Timothy 4:1-5]
 - (a) Among land animals, whatever divides the hoof, havingcloven hooves and chewing the cud—that you may eat.
 - (b) Among sea creatures: whatever in the water **has fins and scales.**
 - (c) And these you shall regard as an **abomination** among the birds: the eagle, the vulture, the buzzard, the kite, and the falcon, every raven, the ostrich, the short-eared owl, the sea gull, and the hawk, the little owl, the fisher owl, and the screech owl, the white owl, the jackdaw, and the carrion vulture, the stork, the heron after its kind, the hoopoe, and the bat.
 - (d) All flying insects that creep on all fours shall be an abomination to you except: those which have jointed legs above their feet with which to leap on the earth.

These you may eat: the locust, the cricket, and the grasshopper.

- (e) These also shall *be* unclean to you among the creeping things that creep on the earth: the mole, the mouse, and the large lizard after its kind; the gecko, the monitor lizard, the sand reptile, the sand lizard, and the chameleon.
- (4) Be Holy as I am Holy (the call to be set-part)
 - (a) ""Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: 'You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy." Leviticus 19:2 NKJV
 - (b) "Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am the LORD your God. And you shall keep My statutes, and perform them: I am the LORD who sanctifies you." Leviticus 20:7-8 NKJV
 - (c) "You shall therefore distinguish between clean animals and unclean, between unclean birds and clean, and you shall not make yourselves abominable by beast or by bird, or by any kind of living thing that creeps on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean. And you shall be holy to Me, for I the LORD am holy, and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be Mine." Leviticus 20:25-26 NKJV

- (5) Peter on Holiness
 - (a) "Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."" I Peter 1:13-16 NKJV
 - Be obedient to the NEW YOU (set-apart), not conforming yourself to the OLD YOU (part of the world). "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And **do not be conformed to this world**, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." Romans 12:1-2 NKJV
 - (b) "Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart, having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides

forever, because "All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away, **But the word of the LORD endures forever." Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.**" I Peter 1:22-25 NKJV

- You were born again from incorruptible stock thorough the Word of Yahweh that endures forever, so why would you then choose to violate that word?
- (6) Peter's Dream (It's not about the food!)
 - (a) "The next day, as they went on their journey and drew near the city, Peter went up on the housetop to pray, about the sixth hour. Then he became very hungry and wanted to eat; but while they made ready, he fell into a trance and saw heaven opened and an object like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth. In it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air. And a voice came to him, "Rise, Peter; kill and eat." But Peter said, "Not so, Lord! For I have never eaten anything common or unclean." And a voice spoke to him again the second time, "What God has cleansed you must not call common." This was

done three times. And the object was taken up into heaven again." Acts 10:9-16 NKJV

- Was Yahweh now calling food that was formally unclean clean? Has He changed His Word that endures forever?
- 2. "Then he said to them, "You know how unlawful it is for a Jewish man to keep company with or go to one of another nation. But God has shown me that I should not call any <u>man</u> common or unclean." Acts 10:28 NKJV
- (b) What about Paul? Was he preaching that food laws had changed? Was he saying it is a doctrine of demons to still restrict foods according to the laws of clean and unclean in Leviticus 11?
 - 1. "Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron, forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth. For every creature of God is good, and nothing is to be refused if it is

received with thanksgiving; for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer." I Timothy 4:1-5 NKJV

- 2. KEY REVELATION: "foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth."
- 3. Had Yahweh ever created unclean foods to be received with thanksgiving, or is there some other doctrine, or is he referring to some other restriction, like those imposed by man? How could Paul ever refer to the Laws in Leviticus, which he strictly adhered to, as "doctrines of demons."?

B. Abominations and all their Ugliness

- (1) What the scriptures call an abomination! The EXACT OPPOSITE OF HOLINESS!
 - (a) "But all in the seas or in the rivers that do not have fins and scales, all that move in the water or any living thing which is in the water, they are an **abomination** to you. They shall be an **abomination** to you; you shall not eat their flesh, but you shall regard their carcasses as an abomination. Whatever in the water does not have fins or scales—that shall be an abomination to you. 'And these you shall regard as an abomination among the

birds; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, the vulture, the buzzard, Leviticus 11:10-13

- (b) 'All flying insects that creep on all fours shall be an **abomination** to you. Leviticus 11:20
- (c) But all other flying insects which have four feet shall be an **abomination** to you. Leviticus 11:23
- (d) You shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creeps; nor shall you make yourselves unclean with them, lest you be defiled by them." Leviticus 11:43 NKJV
- (2) Seven Abominable Things (PROVERBS)
 - (a) "These six things the LORD hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him: A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood, A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil, A false witness who speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren." Proverbs 6:16-19 NKJV
 - 1. Pride
 - 2. A Lying tongue
 - 3. To shed innocent blood
 - 4. A heart that devises wicked plans
 - 5. Feet that are swift in running to evil
 - 6. A false witness who speaks lies

- 7. One who sows discord among brethren
- (3) All the ugly things called an abomination!
 - (a) "You shall not lie with a male as with a woman. It is an abomination." Leviticus 18:22 NKJV
 - (b) "And He said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God." Luke 16:15 NKJV
 - (c) "And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily sacrifices, and place there the abomination of desolation." Daniel 11:31 NKJV
 - (d) ""Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand)," Matthew 24:15 NKJV
 - (e) "But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light. And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it. Its gates shall not be shut at all by day (there shall be no night

there). And they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it. **But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie**, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life." Revelation 21:22-27 NKJV

- (f) "**Dishonest scales** are an abomination to the LORD, But a just weight is His delight." Proverbs 11:1 NKJV
- (g) "The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, But the prayer of the upright is His delight." Proverbs 15:8 NKJV
- (h) ""You shall not have in your bag differing weights, a heavy and a light. You shall not have in your house differing measures, a large and a small. You shall have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure, that your days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD your God is giving you. For all who do such things, all who behave unrighteously, are an abomination to the LORD your God." Deuteronomy 25:13-16 NKJV
- (i) "Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous,

nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will

inherit the kingdom of God." I Corinthians 6:9-10 NKJV

- (4) Come out from the abominable!
 - (a) "Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty."" II Corinthians 6:14-18 NKJV
 - (b) "Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." II Corinthians 7:1 NKJV
 - (c) "When He had called all the multitude to Himself, He said to them, "Hear Me, everyone, and understand:There is nothing that enters a man from outside which

can defile him; but the things which come out of him, those are the things that defile a man. If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear!"" Mark 7:14-16 NKJV

QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

- 1. Discuss the idea of mutual submission between the prophet and the priest.
 - A. How is does the power (fire) of Yahweh show up when they are in alignment?
 - B. What should this look like in the church today?
 - C. What should this look like in the home today?

2. Discuss the idea of profane fire?

- A. How does this relate lack of holiness?
- 3. Leaders of the priesthood are called to distinguish between clean and unclean, holy and unholy.
 - A. Are the leaders of the church today doing this?
 - B. Do they even know the full meaning of the command to be holy?
 - C. Can you define Holy?

4. Can members of the Church distinguish between clean and unclean, holy and unholy?

- A. Can they distinguish between what may be eaten and may not be eaten?
- B. Does idea of clean and unclean foods apply today; do they care?
- 5. You were born again from incorruptible stock thorough the Word of Yahweh that endures forever; would you then choose to violate that Word?
- 6. What about Paul? Was he preaching that food laws had changed?
 - A. Was he saying it is a doctrine of demons to still restrict foods according to the laws of clean and unclean in Leviticus 11?
 - B. Had Yahweh ever created unclean foods to be received with thanksgiving, or is there some other doctrine, or is he referring to some other restriction, like those imposed by man?
 - C. How could Paul ever refer to the Laws in Leviticus, which he strictly adhered to, as "doctrines of demons."?