

Leviticus 19:1-18 Laws for Holy Living

In Leviticus 19, YeHoVaH gave Moses several Instructions, on a variety of topics, to speak to the Children of Israel concerning how they were to conduct themselves in the Land of Israel and wherever they were. The Laws they were given were for His Holy, set apart people to live Holy unto YeHoVaH!

Lev 19:1 And **the LORD spake** unto Moses, saying,

Lev 19:2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, **Ye shall be holy**: for I the LORD your God *am* holy.

Spake – **01696** דַּבַּר {daw-bar'} **Meaning:** 1) to speak, declare, converse, command, promise, warn, threaten, sing 1a) (Qal) to speak 1b) (Niphal) to speak with one another, talk 1c) (Piel) 1c1) to speak 1c2) to promise 1d) (Pual) to be spoken 1e) (Hithpael) to speak 1f) (Hiphil) to lead away, put to flight

Usage: AV - speak 840, say 118, talk 46, promise 31, tell 25, commune 20, pronounce 14, utter 7, command 4 misc 38; 1143

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Holy – **06918** קָדוֹשׁ {kaw-doshe'} or קָדוֹשׁ {kaw-doshe'}

Meaning: 1) sacred, holy, Holy One, saint, set apart

Usage: AV - holy 65, Holy One 39, saint 12; 116

Ex 31:13 Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it *is* a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the LORD that doth **sanctify** you.

Sanctify – **06942** קָדַשׁ {kaw-dash'} **Meaning:** 1) to consecrate, sanctify, prepare, dedicate, be hallowed, **be holy**, be sanctified, be separate 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to be set apart, be consecrated 1a2) to be hallowed 1a3) consecrated, tabooed 1b) (Niphal) 1b1) to show oneself sacred or majestic 1b2) to be honoured, be treated as sacred 1b3) to be holy 1c) (Piel) 1c1) to set apart as sacred, consecrate, dedicate 1c2) to observe as holy, keep sacred 1c3) to honour as sacred, hallow 1c4) to consecrate 1d) (Pual) 1d1) to be consecrated 1d2) consecrated, dedicated 1e) (Hiphil) 1e1) to set apart, devote, consecrate 1e2) to regard or treat as sacred or hallow 1e3) to consecrate 1f) (Hithpael) 1f1) to keep oneself apart or separate 1f2) to cause Himself to be hallowed (of God) 1f3) to be observed as holy 1f4) to consecrate oneself

Usage: AV - sanctify 108, hallow 25, dedicate 10, holy 7, prepare 7, consecrate 5, appointed 1, bid 1, purified 1, misc 7; 172

YeHoVaH sanctifies, or makes us Holy, by His Holy Commandments.

Dt 4:1 Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do *them*, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

Dt 4:2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish *ought* from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Dt 4:3 Your eyes have seen what the LORD did because of Baal-peor: for all the men that followed Baal-peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them from among you.

Dt 4:4 But ye that did cleave unto the LORD your God *are* alive every one of you this day.

Dt 4:5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the LORD my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.

Dt 4:6 Keep therefore and do *them*; for this *is* your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation *is* a wise and understanding people.

Dt 4:7 For what nation *is there* so great, who *hath* God so nigh unto them, as the LORD our God *is* in all *things that we call upon him for*?

Dt 4:8 And what nation *is there* so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

Paul wrote:

Ro 7:12 Wherefore the law *is* holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

1Th 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and *I pray God* your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Yeshua Messiah.

Lev 20:8 And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I *am* the LORD which sanctify you.

Lev 21:8 Thou shalt sanctify him therefore; for he offereth the bread of thy God: he shall be holy unto thee: for I the LORD, which sanctify you, *am* holy.

The Body (Church/Ekklesia/Called out ones) of Messiah is to be Holy.

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it (Church/Ekklesia/Called out ones);

Eph 5:26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it (Church/Ekklesia/Called out ones) with the washing of water by the word,

Eph 5:27 That he might present it (Church/Ekklesia/Called out ones) to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it (Church/Ekklesia/Called out ones) should be holy and without blemish.

Individuals in the Body of Messiah are to be Holy.

1Pe 1:14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

1Pe 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

1Pe 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

Lev 19:3 Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my sabbaths: I *am* the LORD your God.

Fear – **03372** יָרָא 'yare' {yaw-ray'} **Meaning:** 1) to fear, revere, be afraid 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to fear, be afraid 1a2) to stand in awe of, be awed 1a3) to fear, reverence, honour, respect 1b) (Niphal) 1b1) to be fearful, be dreadful, be feared 1b2) to cause astonishment and awe, be held in awe 1b3) to inspire reverence or godly fear or awe 1c) (Piel) to make afraid, terrify 2) (TWOT) to shoot, pour

Usage: AV - fear 188, afraid 78, terrible 23, terrible thing 6, dreadful 5, reverence 3, fearful 2, terrible acts 1, misc 8; 314

The word for fear, of our mother and father, is the same word for the fear of YeHoVaH as we shall see in verse 14.

No Idolatry Allowed

Lev 19:4 Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I *am* the LORD your God.

Freewill Peace Offerings (**Vow**)

Lev 19:5 And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, ye shall offer it at your own will.

Lev 19:6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if aught remain until the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire.

Lev 7:16 But if the sacrifice of his offering **be a vow**, or a **voluntary offering**, it shall be eaten the same day that he offereth his sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten:

Lev 7:17 But the remainder of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire.

Lev 7:18 And if *any* of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third day, **it shall not be accepted**, neither shall it be imputed unto him that offereth it: it shall be an abomination, and the soul that eateth of it shall bear his iniquity.

YeHoVaH elaborates further on this subject that goes beyond what was said in Leviticus 7.

Lev 19:7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, **it *is* abominable**; it shall not be accepted.

Lev 19:8 Therefore *every one* that eateth it shall bear his iniquity, because he hath profaned the hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

Paul made a vow as a believer in Messiah.

Ac 18:18 And Paul *after this* tarried *there* yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn *his* head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.

Paul joined with four believers in a vow, proving that He kept the Law.

Ac 21:23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them;

Ac 21:24 They take, and purify thyself with them, and be at charges with them, that they may shave *their* heads: **and all may know** that those things, whereof they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but that thou thyself also walkest orderly, and keepest the law.

Gleanings for the Poor and Strangers

Lev 19:9 And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest.

Lev 19:10 And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather every grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.

Stealing, Deceiving, and Lying

Lev 19:11 Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another.

Making Oaths and Bearing False Witness

Lev 19:12 And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.

Defrauding or Robbing Neighbors and Withholding Wages.

Lev 19:13 Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob *him*: the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.

Lev 19:14 Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt **fear** thy God: I *am* the LORD.

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Lev 19:15 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: *but* in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour.

Jas 2:1 My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, *the Lord* of glory, with respect of persons.

Jas 2:2 For if there come unto your assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;

Jas 2:3 And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:

Jas 2:4 Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?

Jas 2:5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

Jas 2:6 But ye have despised the poor. Do not rich men oppress you, and draw you before the judgment seats?

Jas 2:7 Do not they blaspheme that worthy name by the which ye are called?

Jas 2:8 If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:

Jas 2:9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

Lev 19:16 Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I *am* the LORD.

Lev 19:17 Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.

1Jn 2:10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

1Jn 2:11 But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.

Messiah taught:

Mt 18:15 Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.

Mt 18:16 But if he will not hear *thee*, *then* take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.

Mt 18:17 And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.

Lk 17:3 Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

Lk 17:4 And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

Lev 19:18 Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I *am* the LORD.