

## Leviticus 19:19-37 Laws for Holy Living Pt. 2

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!

Leviticus 19 opens with YeHoVaH speaking to Moses to inform His people that they are to be Holy.

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

Lev 19:19 Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.

Statutes – **02708** חֻקִּים {khook-kaw'}

**Meaning:** 1) statute, ordinance, limit, enactment, something prescribed 1a) statute

**Usage:** AV - statute 77, ordinance 22, custom 2, appointed 1, manners 1, rites 1; 104

YeHoVaH established the Statutes for His people.

The first use of this word is connected to Abraham as Father spoke to Isaac during a famine in Genesis 26.

Ge 26:1 And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.

Ge 26:2 And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:

Ge 26:3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father;

Ge 26:4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;

Ge 26:5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

## The Commands

- No cross breeding of animals
- No mingling or mixing of seed together
- No mingling of linen and wool

Lev 19:20 And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that *is* a bondmaid, betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; she shall be **scourged**; they shall not be put to death, because she was not free.

Scourged – **01244** בִּיקוֹרֶת *bīqqoreth* {bik-ko-reth}

**Meaning:** 1) punishment (after judicial enquiry), compensation

**Usage:** AV - scourged 1; 1

There was to be no sexual relationship with a betrothed bondwoman. First, there is an investigation into the matter to determine the verdict.

The Hebrew word for scourge indicates she shall be punished or compensated. The man who sinned must bring an offering for an atonement for his sin.

Lev 19:21 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, *even* a ram for a trespass offering.

Lev 19:22 And the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering before the LORD for his sin which he hath done: and the sin which he hath done shall be forgiven him.

Lev 19:23 And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then ye shall count **the fruit** thereof as uncircumcised: three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of.

Lev 19:24 But in the fourth year **all the fruit** thereof **shall be holy to praise the LORD** *withal*.

Lev 19:25 And in **the fifth year** **shall ye eat of the fruit thereof**, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: I *am* the LORD your God.

The age of the tree does not determine when the count begins. The count begins when the tree first produces fruit.

Lev 19:26 Ye shall not eat *any thing* with the blood: neither shall ye use enchantment, nor observe times.

The blood of the animal had to be properly disposed of and not visible while eating the beast that was killed.

Dt 12:22 Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the clean shall eat *of* them alike.

Dt 12:23 Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: for the blood *is* the life; and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh.

Dt 12:24 Thou shalt not eat it; thou shalt pour it upon the earth as water.

Dt 12:25 Thou shalt not eat it; that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD.

Lev 19:27 Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard.

Lev 19:27 “ ‘Do not cut the hair at the sides of your head or clip off the edges of your beard. HNV

Lev 19:27 You shall not round the corners of the hair of your heads nor trim the corners of your beard [as some idolaters do]. AMP

LEV 19:27 ‘ You shall not round off the side-growth of your heads nor harm the edges of your beard. NASV

Lev 19:27 —Ye shall not shave the corners of your head round, neither shalt thou mutilate the corners of thy beard. Darby

Lev 19:27 “Do not trim off the hair on your temples or clip the edges of your beards. NLT

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

Lev 19:27 Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard. KJV

Round – **05362** נָקַף naqaph {naw-kaf’}

**Meaning:** 1) to strike, strike off 1a) (Piel) to strike off skin 2) to go around, compass, round 2a) (Qal) to go around 2b) (Hiphil) 2b1) to go around, surround, encompass, enclose 2b2) to make the round, complete the circuit 2b3) to make round, round off

**Usage:** AV - compass 7, go round about 3, go about 2, compass about 2, destroy 1, down 1, inclosed 1, kill 1, round 1; 19

Mar – **07843** שָׁחַח shachath {shaw-khath’}

**Meaning:** 1) to destroy, corrupt, go to ruin, decay 1a) (Niphal) to be marred, be spoiled, be corrupted, be corrupt, be injured, be ruined, be rotted 1b) (Piel) 1b1) to spoil, ruin 1b2) to pervert, corrupt, deal corruptly (morally) 1c) (Hiphil) 1c1) to spoil, ruin, destroy 1c2) to pervert, corrupt (morally) 1c3) destroyer (participle) 1d) (Hophal) spoiled, ruined (participle)

**Usage:** AV - destroy 96, corrupt 22, mar 7, destroyer 3, corrupters 2, waster 2, spoilers 2, battered 1, corruptly 1, misc 11; 147

Rounding or marring has nothing to do with cutting or shaving one’s head or beard.

Lev 19:28 Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I *am* the LORD.

Marks – **07085** חָקַח qa`aqa` {kah-ak-ah’}

**Meaning:** 1) incision, imprintment, tattoo, mark

**Usage:** AV - marks 1; 1

Lev 19:29 Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness.

Don't prostitute a daughter for whatever reason.

Lev 19:30 Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.

The Sabbath was and is to be kept Holy.

The Sanctuary was the Tabernacle/Temple where the Priests did their service unto YeHoVaH, not the inner sanctum of where congregations gather for their services.

Lev 19:31 Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I *am* the LORD your God.

Familiar spirits – **0178** אוב'ואב {obe}

**Meaning:** 1) water skin bottle 2) necromancer 1b) necromancer, one who evokes the dead 1c) **ghost, spirit of a dead one** 1d) practice of necromancy 3) one that has a familiar spirit

**Usage:** AV - familiar spirit(s) 16, bottles 1; 17

Don't seek counsel from the dead, from the ancient ones, or spiritual guidance from ancestors. Don't go to witches, palm readers, tarot card readers, or anyone to tell you your future.

Lev 19:32 Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.

Hoary head – **07872** שֵׁבַח {say-baw'}

**Meaning:** 1) age, gray hair, hoary head, old age 1a) gray hair, hoary head 1b) old age

**Usage:** AV - old age 6, gray hairs 6, hoar head 3, hoary head 2, grayheaded 1, hoary 1; 19

Rising for the hoary head is showing respect for our aged ones.

Lev 19:33 And if a stranger **sojourn** with thee in your land, ye shall not vex him.

Sojourn – **01481** גֹּוֹר {goor}

**Meaning:** 1) **to sojourn, abide, dwell in, dwell with, remain, inhabit**, be a stranger, be continuing, surely 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to sojourn, dwell for a time 1a2) to abide, stay, temporarily dwell 1b) (Hithpolel) 1b1) to seek hospitality with 1b2) to assemble oneself

**Usage:** AV - sojourn 58, dwell 12, afraid 6, stranger 6, gather together 4, fear 3, abide 2, assemble 1, stand in awe 1, gathered 1, inhabitant 1, remain 1, sojourners 1, surely 1; 98

Lev 19:34 *But* the stranger that **dwelleth** with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and **thou shalt love him as thyself**; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

Dwelleth – **01481** גֹּוֹר {goor}

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**Usage:** AV - sojourn 58, dwell 12, afraid 6, stranger 6, gather together 4, fear 3, abide 2, assemble

Lev 19:35 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.

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

Lev 19:37 Therefore shall ye observe all my **statutes**, and all my **judgments**, and do them: I *am* the LORD.

Statutes – **02708** חֻקֵּי חֻקֵּי {khook-kaw'}

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Judgments – **04941** מִשְׁפָּטִים {mish-pawt'}

**Meaning:** 1) judgment, justice, ordinance 1a) judgment 1a1) act of deciding a case 1a2) place, court, seat of judgment 1a3) process, procedure, litigation (before judges) 1a4) case, cause (presented for judgment) 1a5) sentence, decision (of judgment) 1a6) execution (of judgment) 1a7) time (of judgment) 1b) justice, right, rectitude (attributes of God or man) 1c) ordinance 1d) decision (in law) 1e) right, privilege, due (legal) 1f) proper, fitting, measure, fitness, custom, manner, plan

**Usage:** AV - judgment 296, manner 38, right 18, cause 12, ordinance 11, lawful 7, order 5, worthy 3, fashion 3, custom 2, discretion 2, law 2, measure 2, sentence 2, misc 18; 421

YeHoVaH presented these somewhat random Commandments for Israel to conduct themselves in a Holy manner, in community, in His Presence.