Week 27-28: May 3, 2025

Shabbat Message

Tazria-Metzora / *Conceived-Leper* / תַזְרִיעַ־מְצֹרָע

Tazria Lev 12:1-13:59; 2 Ki 4:42-5:19; Lk 7:18-35

Metzora Lev 14:1-15:33; 2 Ki 7:3-20; Mt 23:16-24:2, 30-31

My Way or Yah's Way

A Pure Encampment

Introduction

We come to a double portion of the Torah today in which we are going to look at the individual

purification commands in order to be considered clean before Yehovah. Yehovah is just and set apart Elohim and therefore demanded that His encampment kept clean and pure and that His people continue to keep themselves clean and pure so that they can fully have a relationship with Yehovah without any kinds of separations. Yehovah was not a mean God by putting people away He was a Just and good God because of the separation of the people of Israel outside the camp. It eventually came be said that the outside of the camp was a place of reproach and also like a hospital where the people went to heal and wait on themselves to be made clean. Yeshua went outside the camp to die for us and to take away our sins.

Leviticus 12:1-4

- If a woman conceives an and bears a male child then she will be unclean for for seven days of her Niddah.
- 2. On the eighth day the flesh of the foreskin is to be circumcised (Luke 2:21;22).
- She must wait 33 days in separation without touching any set apart thing. Why 33? Again it is because of blood that she is made unclean.

Leviticus 12:5-8

- If the woman bears a daughter then she is unclean for 14 days and a period of separation for 66 days.
- 2. There are some that speculate the reason why the woman is unclean for that long is

because she is in separation for her and for her daughter which would be a future woman with a future Niddah cycle of her own.

3. The proper sacrifice for her purification is a year old lamb for a burnt offering and young pigeon or a turtledove for a sin offering. He is to present it before Yehovah and make atonement for her. If she can't afford all of that she can give two turtle doves or two pigeons. (Luke 2:22-24).

Leviticus 13:1-8

- 1. In the first section of Leviticus 13 Elohim gives specific meticulous instructions to Moses and Aaron regarding the detection and treatment of skin disease.
- These Scriptures show our Elohim as an Elohim of precision and order (1 Corinthians 14:33).
- 3. It also shows that He is concerned about the smallest details of our lives and that He is not a distant God somewhere out in the universe. (Matthew 10:30).

Leviticus 13:9-17

- 1. The presence of contagious disease necessitated separation from the community this is a clear metaphor for the isolation impact of sin. (Isaiah 59:2).
- 2. This section shows the gravity of sin and the need for spiritual cleansing. (1 John 1:9).

3. It also shows Elohim's merciful opportunity of restoration (Jeremiah 30:17).

Leviticus 13:18-27

- Just as the priests were called to examine skin disease so to are we called to examine our lives and hearts (2 Corinthians 13:5).
- This Scripture underscores the importance of self inflection, confession and repentance. (Acts 3:19).
- This also shows the promise of Yehovah's forgiveness and cleansing of our hearts. (1 John 1:9).

Take Away

- Yehovah made a way for Israel to be clean and He also has made a way for us to be clean.
- 2. Skin disease and other abnormalities are symbols of sin.
- If we go confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Application

1. Today I will continue to examine my heart and take personal accountability for my actions.

- 2. I will thank Yehovah for giving me a way to be clean before Him.
- 3. I will continue to thank Yehovah for His giving us His Son our or substitutionary atonement.

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