

Exodus 22

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Laws About Restitution

¹ If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.

² If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die, there shall no blood be shed for him.

³ If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood shed for him; for he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.

⁴ If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep; he shall restore double.

⁵ If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall feed in another man's field; of the best of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard, shall he make restitution.

⁶ If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed therewith; he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

⁷ If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him pay double.

⁸ If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall be brought unto the judges, to see whether he have put his hand unto his neighbour's goods.

⁹ For all manner of trespass, whether it be for ox, for ass, for sheep, for raiment, or for any manner of lost thing, which another challengeth to be his, the cause of both

parties shall come before the judges; and whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto his neighbour.

10 If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing it:

11 Then shall an oath of the LORD be between them both, that he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner of it shall accept thereof, and he shall not make it good.

12 And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof.

13 If it be torn in pieces, then let him bring it for witness, and he shall not make good that which was torn.

14 And if a man borrow ought of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof being not with it, he shall surely make it good.

15 But if the owner thereof be with it, he shall not make it good: if it be an hired thing, it came for his hire.

Laws About Social Responsibility

16 And if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife.

17 If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay money according to the dowry of virgins.

18 Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live.

19 Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.

20 He that sacrificeth unto any god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed.

21 Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

22 Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child.

23 If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry;

24 And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.

25 If thou lend money to any of my people that is poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury.

26 If thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down:

27 For that is his covering only, it is his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I am gracious.

28 Thou shalt not revile the gods, nor curse the ruler of thy people.

Firstfruits and Offerings

29 Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.

30 Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, and with thy sheep: seven days it shall be with his dam; on the eighth day thou shalt give it me.

31 And ye shall be holy men unto me: neither shall ye eat any flesh that is torn of beasts in the field; ye shall cast it to the dogs.

HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

Blood — דָּם (Dam)

Blood

The Hebrew **dam** (דָּם) means blood—representing life itself. 'The life of the flesh is in the blood' (Leviticus 17:11), and blood was required for atonement, foreshadowing Christ's sacrifice.

Lord — יְהוָה / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יהוה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

God — אֱלֹהִים (Elohim)

God (plural of majesty)

The Hebrew **Elohim** (אֱלֹהִים) is a plural form denoting majesty and fullness of deity. Though grammatically plural, it takes singular verbs when referring to the one true God, suggesting the Trinity's plurality within unity.

Sacrifice — זֶבַח (Zevach)

Sacrifice, offering

The Hebrew **zevach** (זֶבַח) denotes a sacrifice or offering—an animal slaughtered for worship. Old Testament sacrifices foreshadowed Christ, 'the Lamb of God' (John 1:29).

Holy — קָדוֹשׁ (Qadosh)

Holy, set apart

The Hebrew **qadosh** (קָדוֹשׁ) means holy or set apart—separated from common use for God's purposes. God is 'the Holy One of Israel,' utterly distinct from creation in moral perfection.

Wrath — אַף (Aph)

Wrath, anger

The Hebrew **aph** (אַף) literally means 'nose' or 'nostrils,' idiomatically expressing wrath or anger—God's righteous indignation against sin. Yet God is 'slow to anger' (Exodus 34:6) and 'abundant in mercy.'

CROSS REFERENCES

Exodus 22:1 **Parallel theme:** Numbers 5:7; 2 Samuel 12:6; Proverbs 6:31; Luke 19:8

Exodus 22:2 **Parallel theme:** Matthew 24:43. **Blood:** Numbers 35:27

Exodus 22:3 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 21:2

Exodus 22:4 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 21:16; 22:1; 22:7; 22:9; Revelation 18:6

Exodus 22:6 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 22:9

Exodus 22:7 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 22:4

Exodus 22:8 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 22:28. **Judgment:** Exodus 21:6; Deuteronomy 16:18

Exodus 22:9

Judgment: Deuteronomy 25:1; 2 Chronicles 19:10. **Parallel theme:** Exodus 22:4; 22:28; 1 Kings 8:31; Matthew 18:15; 18:35

Exodus 22:11 **Parallel theme:** Hebrews 6:16

Exodus 22:12 **Parallel theme:** Genesis 31:39

Exodus 22:14 **Good:** Exodus 21:34; 22:11; Leviticus 24:18; Luke 6:35. **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 15:2

Exodus 22:17 **Parallel theme:** Genesis 34:12; Deuteronomy 22:29; 1 Samuel 18:25

Exodus 22:18 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 19:26; 19:31; 20:6; 20:27; 1 Samuel 28:3; 28:9; Isaiah 19:3; Acts 19:19; Galatians 5:20; Revelation 22:15

Exodus 22:19 **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 18:23; Deuteronomy 27:21

Exodus 22:20 **References God:** Deuteronomy 18:20

Exodus 22:21 **References Egypt:** Exodus 20:2; 23:9; Deuteronomy 10:19; 23:7. **Parallel theme:** Leviticus 19:33; 25:35; Jeremiah 7:6; Zechariah 7:10; Malachi 3:5

Exodus 22:22 **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 10:18; 24:17; 27:19; Isaiah 1:17; 1:23; 10:2; Ezekiel 22:7; Zechariah 7:10; James 1:27

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Parallel theme: Deuteronomy 15:9; Job 34:28; 35:9; Psalms 18:6; 145:19; Luke 18:7; James 5:4

Exodus 22:24 **Parallel theme:** Psalms 109:9; Jeremiah 15:8; Lamentations 5:3. **Judgment:** Psalms 69:24

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Exodus 22:26 **Parallel theme:** Deuteronomy 24:6; Proverbs 20:16; Amos 2:8

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Grace: Exodus 34:6; 2 Chronicles 30:9; Psalms 86:15. **Parallel theme:** Exodus 22:23; Psalms 34:6; 72:12

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Evil: Acts 23:5; 2 Peter 2:10; Jude 1:8. **Curse:** Exodus 21:17; Ecclesiastes 10:20. **References God:** Psalms 32:6; 138:1; Acts 23:3. **Parallel theme:** 1 Samuel 24:6; 24:10

Exodus 22:29 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 13:2; 13:12; 23:16; 23:19; Micah 7:1; Matthew 6:33; Romans 8:23; James 1:18

Exodus 22:30 **Parallel theme:** Exodus 13:12; Leviticus 12:3; 22:27; Deuteronomy 15:19

Exodus 22:31

Parallel theme: Leviticus 22:8; Ezekiel 4:14; 44:31; Acts 15:20. **Holy:** Leviticus 19:2; Deuteronomy 14:21

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