

Leviticus 11:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which is in the waters, they shall be an abomination unto you:

Analysis

And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which is in the waters, they shall be an abomination unto you:

This verse falls within the section on **Clean and Unclean Animals**. Dietary laws distinguishing clean from unclean animals, teaching Israel holiness and separation from pagan practices.

What Leviticus portrayed through types and shadows, Christ fulfilled in reality through His incarnation, perfect life, atoning death, and resurrection.

Historical Context

Dietary laws distinguishing clean from unclean animals, teaching Israel holiness and separation from pagan practices. Chapters 11-15 address ritual purity, teaching Israel to distinguish clean from unclean. These laws served multiple purposes: promoting health, teaching spiritual lessons about sin's defilement, and separating Israel from pagan practices. Archaeological evidence shows Canaanite worship involved practices Israel's laws explicitly prohibited. Israel received these laws while encamped at Sinai, before entering Canaan. The laws prepared them for life in the promised land, distinguishing them from Canaanite practices and

establishing their identity as God's holy nation. The portable tabernacle, central to Levitical worship, accompanied them through wilderness wanderings and eventually found permanent form in Solomon's temple. The tabernacle's design parallels ancient Near Eastern temple architecture, yet its portable nature and absence of divine images distinguished it from pagan temples.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does this verse point to Christ, and how does that deepen your faith and gratitude?
2. In what practical ways should this verse influence your church life, family relationships, or personal integrity?
3. What practical steps can you take this week to apply the principles taught in this verse?

Interlinear Text

וְכָל	אֲשֶׁר	אֵין	לֹא	סֹפֵף	וְקִשְׁקֵשׁ	בַּיָּמִים
H3605	H834	H369	H0	H5579	H7193	H3220
And all that have not fins				and scales	in the seas	

וּבְנָחַל	יָם	מִכָּל	שֶׁ יָרֵץ	בַּיָּם	וּמִכָּל	לֵבַיִשׁ
H5158		H3605	H8318	H4325	H3605	H5315
and in the rivers		of all that move	in the waters		thing	

הַחַיִּים	אֲשֶׁר	בַּיָּם	שֶׁ יִקְיָצוּ	הֵם	לָכֵם:
H2416	H834	H4325	H8263	H1992	H0
and of any living		in the waters	they shall be an abomination		

Additional Cross-References

Proverbs 29:27 (Parallel theme): An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.

Leviticus 7:18 (Parallel theme): 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.

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