

# Leviticus 13:52

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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This verse falls within the section on **Diagnosing Skin Diseases**. Detailed procedures for priests to diagnose skin diseases (צִרְעָת, tzaraat), often translated 'leprosy' but covering various conditions.

The New Testament reveals that Christ's sacrifice accomplishes what the Levitical system could only symbolize—complete forgiveness and restoration of relationship with God.

## Historical Context

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Detailed procedures for priests to diagnose skin diseases (צִרְעָת, tzaraat), often translated 'leprosy' but covering various conditions. 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. Ancient sacrificial texts from cultures surrounding Israel demonstrate the widespread practice of animal sacrifice, but Israel's system uniquely emphasized moral atonement over magical efficacy.

## Related Passages

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**1 John 4:8** — God is love

**1 Corinthians 13:4** — Characteristics of love

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## Study Questions

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1. How can you use this verse to worship God more fully, obey Him more faithfully, or love others more sacrificially?
2. How does this verse help you understand both God's justice and His mercy in salvation?
3. In what practical ways should this verse influence your church life, family relationships, or personal integrity?

## Interlinear Text

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תִּשְׂרֹף:	אֶת	הַבְּגָד	אֹ	אֶת	הַשֵּׁת יִן	אֹ	אֶת
<b>He shall therefore burn</b>	H853	<b>that garment</b>	H176	H853	<b>whether warp</b>	H176	H853
H8313		H899			H8359		
הָעֵרֹב	בִּצְמָר	אֹ	בַפִּשְׁתָּן יִם	אֹ	אֶת	כָּל	כָּל יִ
<b>or woof</b>	<b>in woollen</b>	H176	<b>or in linen</b>	H176	H853	H3605	<b>or any thing</b>
H6154	H6785		H6593				H3627
הָעֹר	אֲשֶׁר	יְהִי הַ	בֹּ	הֵנָּה גַע	כִּי	צָרַעַת	
<b>of skin</b>	H834	H1961	H0	<b>wherein the plague</b>	H3588	<b>leprosy</b>	
H5785				H5061		H6883	
מִמָּאֲרָת	הִוא	בְּאֵשׁ	תִּשְׂרֹף:				
<b>is for it is a fretting</b>	H1931	<b>in the fire</b>	<b>He shall therefore burn</b>				
H3992		H784	H8313				

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