

# Leviticus 14:37

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And he shall look on the plague, and, behold, if the plague be in the walls of the house with hollow strakes, greenish or reddish, which in sight are lower than the wall;

## Analysis

**And he shall look on the plague, and, behold, if the plague be in the walls of the house with hollow strakes, greenish or reddish, which in sight are lower than the wall;**

This verse falls within the section on **Cleansing from Skin Diseases**. Elaborate cleansing ritual for healed lepers, involving birds, blood, and multiple offerings, symbolizing restoration.

The access to God's presence that Leviticus carefully regulated is now freely available through Christ's blood, tearing the veil and opening the way to God.

## Historical Context

Elaborate cleansing ritual for healed lepers, involving birds, blood, and multiple offerings, symbolizing restoration. 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

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**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

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1. What does this verse teach about the seriousness of sin, the cost of redemption, or the beauty of holiness?
2. How does this verse point to Christ, and how does that deepen your faith and gratitude?
3. What practical steps can you take this week to apply the principles taught in this verse?

## Interlinear Text

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| וְיַחַזֵּק               | אַתָּה      | בְּנֵי                          | גָּעֵן      | וְיַחַזֵּק                      | אַתָּה    | בְּנֵי                 | גָּעֵן            |
| <b>And he shall look</b> | H853        | <b>and behold if the plague</b> | H2009       | <b>and behold if the plague</b> | H5061     |                        |                   |
| H7200                    |             | H5061                           |             | H5061                           |           |                        |                   |
| בְּקָרִים                | תִּתְּבִּיא | בְּבָבֶן                        | שְׁקָעָרוֹת | תִּתְּבִּיא                     | בְּקָרִים | תִּתְּבִּיא            | בְּבָבֶן          |
| <b>be in the walls</b>   | H7023       | <b>of the house</b>             | H1004       | <b>with hollow stakes</b>       | H8258     | <b>greenish</b>        | H176              |
|                          |             |                                 |             |                                 |           | H3422                  | <b>or reddish</b> |
|                          |             |                                 |             |                                 |           | H125                   |                   |
| בְּקָרִים                | תִּתְּבִּיא | בְּבָבֶן                        | שְׁקָעָרוֹת | תִּתְּבִּיא                     | בְּקָרִים | תִּתְּבִּיא            | בְּבָבֶן          |
| <b>which in sight</b>    | H4758       | <b>are lower</b>                | H8217       | <b>than</b>                     | H4480     | <b>be in the walls</b> | H7023             |
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