

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 Israelite dietary laws in Leviticus 11 have no exact parallel in surrounding cultures, though some ancient cultures had food taboos, suggesting unique revelation rather than borrowed customs.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Study Questions

1. How can you develop greater spiritual discernment in distinguishing what honors God from what defiles?
2. How does this verse help you understand both God's justice and His mercy in salvation?
3. How can you use this verse to worship God more fully, obey Him more faithfully, or love others more sacrificially?

Interlinear Text

וְבָמָה יְמִינְךָ וּבְצָפְנְךָ אַתָּה יְחִיטָה				
And he shall cleanse	H853	the house	with the blood	bird
H2398		H1004	H1818	H6833
				H4325
בְּאֵזֶן וּבְעֵץ וּבְתְּמִימִינְךָ וּבְצָפְנְךָ הַצְּבָתְךָ				
and with the living		bird	and with the living	wood
H2416		H6833	H2416	H6086
				H730
וּבְאֹזֶן וּבְשָׁנִים וּבְתְּלִקְעָתָה				
and with the hyssop		and with the scarlet		H8438
H231		H8144		

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