

Leviticus 15:26

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her separation.

Analysis

Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her separation.

This verse falls within the section on **Bodily Discharges**. Laws concerning various bodily discharges, emphasizing that approaching God's holy presence requires ritual purity.

Ritual purity laws taught Israel to distinguish between clean and unclean, holy and common, training them in discernment and reverence for God's presence.

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

Historical Context

Laws concerning various bodily discharges, emphasizing that approaching God's holy presence requires ritual purity. 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

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

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. In what ways does this verse challenge contemporary cultural values or your personal attitudes?

Interlinear Text

וְמִן־יְמִינֵי כָל־עַלְיוֹן כָּל־עַלְיוֹן כָּל־עַלְיוֹן
H3605 Every bed H834 whereon she lieth H5921 H3605 all the days
H4904 H7901 H3117

וְכָל־לְהָיוֹת כָּל־לְהָיוֹת כָּל־לְהָיוֹת כָּל־לְהָיוֹת
of her issue Every bed of her separation H1961 H0 H3605 and whatsoever
H2101 H4904 H5079 H3627

כָּל־מִן־אֲשֶׁר עַל־יְמִינֵי תִּשְׁבַּח
H834 she sitteth H5921 upon shall be unclean H1961 H2932
H3427 H2931

כָּל־מִן־אֲשֶׁר עַל־יְמִינֵי תִּשְׁבַּח
of her separation
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