

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

כָּל	כָּמֶשֶׁבַּ בַּ	אֲשֶׁר	תִּשְׁכַּב בַּ	עָלָיו	כָּל	יָמָיו
H3605	Every bed	H834	whereon she lieth	H5921	H3605	all the days
	H4904		H7901			H3117
זוֹבָהּ	כָּמֶשֶׁבַּ בַּ	נִדְתָּהּ:	יְהִיָּה	לָהּ	וְכָל	הַכֹּלִי
of her issue	Every bed	of her separation	H1961	H0	H3605	and whatsoever
H2101	H4904	H5079				H3627
אֲשֶׁר	יֹשֵׁב בַּ	עָלָיו	טֵמֵא	יְהִיָּה	כְּטִמְאַת	
H834	she sitteth	H5921	upon shall be unclean	H1961	as the uncleanness	
	H3427		H2931		H2932	
		נִדְתָּהּ:				
		of her separation				
		H5079				