

Leviticus 15:29

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtles, or two young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

Analysis

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

The Aaronic priesthood mediated between God and Israel, offering sacrifices and maintaining the tabernacle. This prefigured Christ's superior priesthood after the order of Melchizedek.

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 texts like the Code of Hammurabi show that law codes were common in the ancient Near East, but biblical law uniquely grounded ethics in God's character rather than merely social convention.

Related Passages

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How does Christ's superior priesthood, prefigured in this verse, assure you of access to God and effective intercession?
2. What practical steps can you take this week to apply the principles taught in this verse?
3. How does this verse point to Christ, and how does that deepen your faith and gratitude?

Interlinear Text

וּבַיּוֹם	הַשְּׁמִינִי	תִּקַּח	לָהּ	שְׁנֵי	תְּרֵים	אֵל	שְׁנֵי
day	And on the eighth	she shall take	H0	or two	turtles	H176	or two
H3117	H8066	H3947		H8147	H8449		H8147
בְּנֵי	יוֹנָה	וְהָבִיֵּא	אֹתָם	אֶל	הַכֹּהֵן	אֶל	
young	pigeons	and bring	H853	H413	them unto the priest	H413	
H1121	H3123	H935			H3548		
פֶּתַח	אֶת־הַ	מוֹעֵד:					
to the door	of the tabernacle	of the congregation					
H6607	H168	H4150					

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