

Leviticus 19:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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This verse falls within the section on **Various Laws of Holiness**. Wide-ranging ethical and ceremonial laws, including the command to 'love your neighbor as yourself' (19:18).

Every sacrifice and ritual in Leviticus points forward to Jesus Christ, who fulfills the entire sacrificial system as both perfect sacrifice and eternal high priest.

Historical Context

Wide-ranging ethical and ceremonial laws, including the command to 'love your neighbor as yourself' (19:18). Chapters 17-27, often called the 'Holiness Code,' expand covenant obligations beyond ritual to encompass all of life—sexuality, economics, justice, and relationships. The repeated refrain 'I am the LORD' grounds these laws in God's character and covenant relationship with Israel. 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

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. How does this verse reveal God's character, and how should that revelation shape your relationship with Him?
2. In what practical ways should this verse influence your church life, family relationships, or personal integrity?
3. What does this verse teach about the seriousness of sin, the cost of redemption, or the beauty of holiness?

Interlinear Text

לֹא	כָּרְמֶבֶן	לְתַעֲזֵל	לְתַלְקֵט	לְלַעֲנֵן	לְזַלְגֵּד	לְתַעֲזֵב	אַתָּה
of thy vineyard	H3808	And thou shalt not glean	H5953	every grape	H6528	of thy vineyard	H3808
H3754			H1616		H3754		
neither shalt thou gather	H3950	them for the poor	H6041	and stranger	H1616	thou shalt leave	H853
אַתָּה	תַּלְקֵט	לַעֲנֵן	לְזַלְגֵּד	תַּעֲזֵב	תַּעֲזֵל	כָּרְמֶבֶן	לֹא
I am the LORD	H589	your God	H430				
H3068							

Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 17:6 (References God): Yet gleaning grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an olive tree, two or three berries in the top of the uppermost bough, four or five in the outmost fruitful branches thereof, saith the LORD God of Israel.

Isaiah 24:13 (Parallel theme): When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people, there shall be as the shaking of an olive tree, and as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done.

Leviticus 25:6 (Parallel theme): And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you; for thee, and for thy servant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee,

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