

Leviticus 19:36

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.

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. 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 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

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. How does this verse help you understand both God's justice and His mercy in salvation?

Interlinear Text

יְהִי הָאָזֶן מִזְמָנִים	balance	Just	weights	Just	ephah	Just	in	the	Just	Just	H1961
H3976	H6664	H68	H6664	H374	H374	H6664	H1969	H1969	H6664	H6664	
לֹכֶם	לֹכֶם	אָנָי	יְהִי הָ	shall ye have	I am the	LORD	your	God	אֲשֶׁר	אֱלֹהִיכָּם	
H0	H589	H3068							H834	H430	
הוֹצֵא אֶתְכֶם	which brought you out	H853	מִן הָאָרֶץ	of the land	מִמָּצְרָיִם	of Egypt					
H3318			H776	H4714							

Additional Cross-References

Proverbs 11:1 (Righteousness): A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight.

Exodus 20:2 (References God): I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

Proverbs 20:10 (References Lord): Divers weights, and divers measures, both of them are alike abomination to the LORD.