

# Leviticus 24:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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**And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes thereof: two tenth deals shall be in one cake.**

This verse falls within the section on **Oil, Bread, and Blasphemy**. Instructions for tabernacle maintenance and the account of a blasphemer's punishment, showing reverence for God's name.

The holiness demanded in Leviticus becomes possible through Christ, who both satisfies God's righteous requirements and transforms believers by His Spirit.

## Historical Context

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Instructions for tabernacle maintenance and the account of a blasphemer's punishment, showing reverence for God's name. 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.

Archaeological discoveries at sites like Ugarit reveal Canaanite religious practices Israel's laws explicitly rejected, confirming the Bible's historical reliability and the distinctiveness of Israelite worship.

## Related Passages

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**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

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1. What practical steps can you take this week to apply the principles taught in this verse?
2. In what ways does this verse challenge contemporary cultural values or your personal attitudes?
3. How does this verse point to Christ, and how does that deepen your faith and gratitude?

## Interlinear Text

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וְלָקַחְתָּ	סֵלֶת	וְאָפִיתָ	אֶת־הַ	שְׁנֵי	עֶשְׂרֵה
And thou shalt take	fine flour	and bake	H854	thereof two	twelve
H3947	H5560	H644		H8147	H6240
הַחֶלֶל	שְׁנֵי	עֶשְׂרֵה יָם	יְהוָה הַ	הַחֶלֶל	הָאֶחָד:
cake	thereof two	tenth deals	H1961	cake	shall be in one
H2471	H8147	H6241		H2471	H259

## Additional Cross-References

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**Exodus 25:30** (Parallel theme): And thou shalt set upon the table shewbread before me alway.

**Exodus 40:23** (Parallel theme): And he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD; as the LORD had commanded Moses.

**1 Kings 18:31** (Parallel theme): And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the LORD came, saying, Israel shall be thy name:

**Acts 26:7** (Parallel theme): Unto which promise our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.

**Matthew 12:4** (Parallel theme): How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests?

**James 1:1** (Parallel theme): James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.