

# Leviticus 6:28

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden shall be broken:  
and if it be sodden in a brasen pot, it shall be both scoured,  
and rinsed in water.

## Analysis

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**But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden shall be broken: and if it be sodden in a brasen pot, it shall be both scoured, and rinsed in water.**

This verse falls within the section on **Priestly Instructions for Offerings**. Detailed regulations for priests administering the sacrificial system, emphasizing holiness and proper handling of sacred things.

The access to God's presence that Leviticus carefully regulated is now freely available through Christ's blood, tearing the veil and opening the way to God.

## Historical Context

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Detailed regulations for priests administering the sacrificial system, emphasizing holiness and proper handling of sacred things. Leviticus was given to Israel at Mount Sinai, shortly after the tabernacle's construction described in Exodus. The name 'Leviticus' (from Latin Leviticus, referring to the Levites) reflects its focus on priestly duties, though the Hebrew title Wayyiqra ('And He called') emphasizes God's initiative in revealing these laws. The first seven chapters detail the five main offerings, providing both worshiper instructions and priestly procedures. Ancient Near Eastern cultures had various sacrificial systems, but Israel's sacrificial worship was unique in its ethical foundation, monotheistic framework,

and emphasis on atonement rather than appeasement. Unlike pagan rituals focused on manipulating deities, Israel's sacrifices acknowledged God's sovereignty and sought reconciliation based on His gracious provision. 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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**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**James 2:17** — Faith and works

## Study Questions

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1. How does this verse help you understand both God's justice and His mercy in salvation?
2. In what practical ways should this verse influence your church life, family relationships, or personal integrity?
3. How does this verse point to Christ, and how does that deepen your faith and gratitude?

## Interlinear Text

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בְּכֵל י	חֶרֶשׁ	אֲשֶׁר	בִּשָּׂה לָהּ	בּוֹ	יִשָּׁבֶר	וְאֵם
pot	But the earthen	H834	and if it be sodden	H0	shall be broken	H518
H3627	H2789		H1310		H7665	
בְּכֵל י	נַחֲשֶׁת	בִּשָּׂה לָהּ	וּמִכָּל	וְשִׁטָּה		
pot	in a brasen	and if it be sodden	it shall be both scoured	and rinsed		
H3627	H5178	H1310	H4838	H7857		
בַּמַּיִם:						
in water						
H4325						

## Additional Cross-References

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**Leviticus 11:33** (Parallel theme): And every earthen vessel, whereinto any of them falleth, whatsoever is in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.

**Leviticus 15:12** (Parallel theme): And the vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue, shall be broken: and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.

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