

# Leviticus 7:25

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth it shall be cut off from his people.

## Analysis

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**For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth it shall be cut off from his people.**

This verse falls within the section on **Further Offering Regulations**. Additional laws concerning offerings, including prohibitions on eating fat and blood, establishing boundaries for holy things.

The five main offerings (burnt, grain, peace, sin, and guilt) addressed different aspects of relationship with God, all fulfilled in Christ's comprehensive sacrifice. 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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Additional laws concerning offerings, including prohibitions on eating fat and blood, establishing boundaries for holy 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. The tabernacle's design parallels ancient Near Eastern temple architecture, yet its portable nature and absence of divine images distinguished it from pagan temples.

## Related Passages

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

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

## Study Questions

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1. What does this verse teach about the costliness of true worship and dedication to God?
2. How does this verse help you understand both God's justice and His mercy in salvation?
3. How does this verse point to Christ, and how does that deepen your faith and gratitude?

## Interlinear Text

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כָּל	כֹּאֲכֹלֶת	הַלֵּב	מִן	הַבְּהֵמָה	אֲשֶׁר
H3588	H3605	H2459	H4480	H929	H834
	For whosoever eateth	the fat		of the beast	
	H398				
יִקְרֹב	מִמֶּנָּה	אֲשֶׁר	לִיהוָה		
H7126	H4480	H801	H3068		
of which men offer	an offering made by fire	unto the LORD			
וְנִכְרְתָהּ	הַנֶּפֶשׁ	כֹּאֲכֹלֶת	מֵעַמֻּיהָ:		
H3772	H5315	H398	H5971		
it shall be cut off	even the soul	For whosoever eateth	from his people		

