

Numbers 15:37

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Analysis

God commanded Israel to make fringes on their garments—visual reminders of all His commandments. This followed the Sabbath-breaker's execution, providing positive instruction after negative example. The fringes transformed everyday clothing into constant prompts for obedience, demonstrating that holiness must pervade all of life, not merely religious moments.

Historical Context

These tassels (tzitzit in Hebrew) became distinctive marks of Jewish identity, worn by faithful Israelites throughout their history. Jesus wore them (Matthew 9:20), as did Pharisees who made theirs ostentatiously large (Matthew 23:5). The practice continues in observant Judaism today.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. What visual or physical reminders help you remember God's commands throughout daily life?
2. How can you make holiness a constant awareness rather than occasional concern?

Interlinear Text

לְאַמְרָה: וְיַהְיֵה הָאֱלֹהִים מֶלֶךְ כָּל־
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