

Leviticus 22:1-16 **Eating Holy Things - Who May - Who may Not**

¹ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

² "Speak to Aaron and his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Israel, and that they do not profane My holy name by what they dedicate to Me: I am the LORD.

Prohibited from the Unclean person

³ Say to them: 'Whoever of all your descendants throughout your generations, who goes near the holy things which the children of Israel dedicate to the LORD, while he has uncleanness upon him, that person shall be cut off from My presence: I am the LORD.

⁴ Whatever man of the descendants of Aaron, who is a leper or has a discharge, shall not eat the holy offerings until he is clean.

And whoever touches anything made unclean by a corpse, or a man who has had an emission of semen, ⁵ or whoever touches any creeping thing by which he would be made unclean, or any person by whom he would become unclean, whatever his uncleanness may be-- ⁶ the person who has touched any such thing shall be unclean until evening, and shall not eat the holy offerings unless he washes his body with water.

⁷ And when the sun goes down he shall be clean; and afterward he may eat the holy offerings, because it is his food.

⁸ Whatever dies naturally or is torn by beasts he shall not eat, to defile himself with it: I am the LORD.

⁹ They shall therefore keep My ordinance, lest they bear sin for it and die thereby, if they profane it: I the LORD sanctify them.

Outsiders

¹⁰ 'No outsider shall eat the holy offering; one who dwells with the priest, or a hired servant, shall not eat the holy thing.

¹¹ But if the priest buys a person with his money, he may eat it; and one who is born in his house may eat his food.

Priest's Daughters

¹² If the priest's daughter is married to an outsider, she may not eat of the holy offerings. ¹³ But if the priest's daughter is a widow or divorced, and has no child, and has returned to her father's house as in her youth, she may eat her father's food; but no outsider shall eat it.

Unintentional Eating of Holy Things

¹⁴ 'And if a man eats the holy offering unintentionally, then he shall restore a holy offering to the priest, and add one-fifth to it.

Do Not Profane Holy Things – or – Allow them to bear the Guilt of Trespass

¹⁵ They shall not profane the holy offerings of the children of Israel, which they offer to the LORD, ¹⁶ or allow them to bear the guilt of trespass when they eat their holy offerings; for I the LORD sanctify them.' " NKJV

Facts Revealed:

Unclean [Leviticus 22:1-7]

- ✧ Preserve the holy things from being defiled by anyone who is unclean.
- ✧ The commandment is directly from Yehowah Himself with all His authority. [Leviticus 22:1-2]
- ✧ The purpose is to prevent them from profaning the Holy Name of Yehowah by what is dedicated to Him of the Children of Israel. [Leviticus 22:2]
- ✧ No person among the descendants of Aaron or a stranger among them who is unclean may eat of the Holy Offerings or Sacrifices of the Children of Israel. Uncleanness includes the following:
 - ◇ Leprosy [Leviticus 13:1-49, 14:33-57]
 - ◇ Has a discharge [Leviticus 15:1-12, 16-18, 19-27]
 - ◇ If he has Touched any thing by which he may be made unclean [Leviticus 5:2-3, 7:21, 11:4-43, 15:1-33]
 - ◇ Touched any unclean creeping thing [Leviticus 11:29-31]
 - ◇ Touched any person by which he may be made unclean
 - He may not eat of the holy things, Until after he washes his body with water and the sun goes down, after which he may eat of the holy things because it is his food.
 - ◇ Whatever dies naturally or is torn by beasts, he may not eat, it would defile himself with it. [Leviticus 17:15]
- ✧ The commandment is directly from Yehowah Himself with all His authority.
- ✧ They shall therefore, keep My Ordinance;
 - ◇ Lest they bear sin for it and die because of it, because they profane it.
- ✧ I Yehowah sanctify them.

Outsiders [Leviticus 22:10-11]

- ✧ No outsider or hired servant shall eat the holy things.
- ✧ Only the outsider the Priest buys with his own money and the person born in his house may eat of the holy things.

Priest's Daughters [Leviticus 22:12-13]

- ✧ If the Priest's daughter marries an outsider, she **may not** eat of the Holy Things.
- ✧ If the Priest's daughter is widowed, or divorced, has no children, and has returned to her father's house as in her youth, she may eat her father's food.
- ✧ No outsider may eat of it.

Unintentional Eating of Holy Things [Leviticus 22:14]

- ✧ If an unauthorized person eats unintentionally of the Holy Thing, he shall restore it to the Priest and add one fifth to it.

Do Not Profane Holy Things – or – Allow them to bear the Guilt of Trespass [Leviticus 22:15-16]

- ✧ God holds the Holy Things given by the Children of Israel as sacred and will not allow them to be profaned.
- ✧ Do not allow them to bear the guilt of Trespass when they eat the Holy Offerings.
- ✧ I am Yehowah Who sanctify them.
- ✧ The commandment is directly from Yehowah Himself with all His authority.

