

Leviticus 7:22-27 **Blood and Fat, forbidden to be eaten**

Fat Forbidden

22 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 23 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'You shall not eat any fat, of ox or sheep or goat. 24 And the fat of an animal that dies naturally, and the fat of what is torn by wild animals, may be used in any other way; but you shall by no means eat it. 25 For whoever eats the fat of the animal of which men offer an offering made by fire to the LORD, the person who eats it shall be cut off from his people.

Blood Forbidden

26 Moreover you shall not eat any blood in any of your dwellings, whether of bird or beast. 27 Whoever eats any blood, that person shall be cut off from his people.' " NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Fat of clean animals approved for sacrifice to God is forbidden as food for the Children of Israel.
- ✧ No fat is to be eaten nor blood. **Fat** represents “**increase or prosperity**” which belongs to the Lord along with the **blood**, which is “**life**” – reserved by God for the covering of sin. [Hebrews 9:22, 1 Peter 1:19, Leviticus 17:11]
- ✧ The fat which represents the abundance of God’s mercy through Messiah Jesus belongs to God alone and is burned on the Altar signifying that the mercy extended to the obedient believer is the work of God alone. [Numbers 14:18, Psalm 86:5, 86:15, 130:7, Isaiah 55:7, 1 Peter 1:3-5]
- ✧ However the “BLOOD was forbidden for food” at the time flesh was allowed to be eaten when Noah came out of the Ark, with the explanation of the fact that “in the blood is the life.” [Genesis 9:3-4]
- ✧ This is consistent with the forbidding of blood in the law and passed on to the Gentile Church. “**For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.**” [Leviticus 17:11] also [Genesis 9:3-4, Leviticus 3:17, 7:26-27, 17:10-14, 19:26, Deuteronomy 12:16, 23-25, 26-27, 15:23, Acts 15:20, 29, 21:25, Hebrews 9:22]
- ✧ Blood restriction still applies to the Church of the Gentiles. [see Acts 15:20, 29, 21:25]
- ✧ Blood is sanctified by God Himself from the beginning to the end to emphasize the value of the sacrifice God had prepared for the cleansing of sin in the blood of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Therefore, God put a high value and worth on the blood of both animal and man at the time He allowed blood to be shed, namely when they came out of the Ark.