

### HOW TO GLEAN FROM THE BIBLE

- T Then (Author, History, Geography, Customs)
- **E** Eternal (The Principle or Truth that Stands Forever)
- N Now (Application of the Truth in the Present)

Approach the text prayerfully Expect to work hard (Prov 2:1-22; Job 28) Consider why the Spirit of God placed this text for you?

# KEYWORD: Holiness

PURPOSE: To instruct the nation of Israel how she must live and worship as God's chosen people in response to his holiness and in order that He might dwell among them.

### OUTLINE

- 1. The Way to God Through Appropriate Worship (1-16)
  - i. Enjoying God's Presence (1-7)
  - ii. Entering God's Service (8-10)
  - iii. Encountering God's Design (11-15)
  - iv. Ensuring God's Forgiveness (16)
- 2. The Walk with God Through Obedient Lifestyle (17-27)
  - i. Enacting God's Word (17-26)
  - ii. Enamored by God's Grace (27)



### Context

- a. Israel at Sinai (Exod 19)
- b. Instructions with a view of the Promised Land (Lev 25:2)
- c. Nadab and Abihu (10:1-3)
- d. Role of priests Worship leaders (10:8-11)

The Lord spoke again to Moses and to Aaron, saying to them, "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, 'These are the creatures which you may eat from all the animals that are on the earth. 'Whatever divides a hoof, thus making split hoofs, and chews the cud, among the animals, that you may eat. 'Nevertheless, you are not to eat of these, among those which chew the cud, or among those which divide the hoof: the camel, for though it chews cud, it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you.

(Lev 11:1-4)

'Likewise, the shaphan, for though it chews cud, it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you; the rabbit also, for though it chews cud, it does not divide the hoof, it is unclean to you; and the pig, for though it divides the hoof, thus making a split hoof, it does not chew cud, it is unclean to you. 'You shall not eat of their flesh nor touch their carcasses; they are unclean to you. (Lev 11:5-8)

'These you may eat, whatever is in the water: all that have fins and scales, those in the water, in the seas or in the rivers, you may eat. 'But whatever is in the seas and in the rivers that does not have fins and scales among all the teeming life of the water, and among all the living creatures that are in the water, they are detestable things to you, and they shall be abhorrent to you; you may not eat of their flesh, and their carcasses you shall detest. 'Whatever in the water does not have fins and scales is abhorrent to you. (Lev 11:9-12)

# Animals - to eat or not to eat? Leviticus 11

- Mammals w/ cloven hoof & chewing cud
- Water Creatures with fins and scales
- Birds no scavengers
- Insects only grasshoppers
- Reptiles forbidden

# The Reason?

### THE REASON

Symbolic
Hygienic
Aesthetic
Theological

### THE REASON

# "Be HOLY as I am HOLY"

Leviticus 11:44-45





Innately unclean

### To Eat or Not to Eat?

- God honors those who honor His Word (Dan 1:5-17)
- ii. Enjoy your food with thankful heart (Eccl 3:13)
- iii. The heart of the problem is a problem of the heart (Mark 7:14-23)
- iv. It is not about food (Acts 10:9-17)
- v. Hold Firm to your new Identity in Christ (Gal 2:6-21)
- vi. Be Holy in your conduct (1 Pet 1:13-16)

## Holiness of GOD

"It's dangerous to assume that because a person is drawn to holiness in his study that he is a thereby a holy man. There is irony here. I am sure that the reason I have a deep hunger to learn of the holiness of God is precisely because I am not holy. I am a profane man — a man who spends more time out of the temple than in it. But I have had just enough of a taste of the majesty of God to want more. I know what it means to be forgiven man and what it means to be sent on a mission. My soul cries for more. My soul needs more." ~ R.C. Sproul

### ABC FOR WORSHIP

"Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

1 Corinthians 10:31

