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שמיני Shmini

Leviticus 9:1-11:47

- וַיָּהִיֹּ בַיִּוֹם הַשַּׁמִינִי קרָא משָה לְאָהֵרן וּלְבַנַיו וּלְזִקְנֵי יִשְׁרָאֵל:
- On the eighth day Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel.
- עגל בַן־בַקר לִחַטַאת וּאַיָל לעלָה תִמִימַם וִהַקרֵב לִפְנֵי יִהוָה: ויאמר אל־אהרו קח־לר
- He said to Aaron: "Take a calf of the herd for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering, without blemish, and bring them before הוהי.
- קחוּ שעיר־עזִים לחַטָּאת ועָגל וָכֶבֵשׁ בַנֵי־שַׂנָה תִמִימִם לִעלָה: ואל־בני ישראל תדבר לאמר
- And speak to the Israelites, saying: Take a he-goat for a sin offering; a calf and a lamb, yearlings without blemish, for a burnt offering;
- לפני יהוה ומנחה בלולה בשמן כי היום יהוה נראה אַלִיכִם: ושור ואיל לשלמים לזבח
- and an ox and a ram for an offering of well-being to sacrifice before הוהי; and a meal offering with oil mixed in. For today הוהי will appear to you."
- משֶה אֶל־פְנֵי אָהֶל מוֹעֶד וְיִקְרְבוֹ כָּל־הַעֶדָה וַיִּעַמְדָוּ לִפְנֶי יְהוָה: וַיִקחוֹ אַת אַשֵר צוָה
- They brought to the front of the Tent of Meeting the things that Moses had commanded, and the community leadership*community leadership See note at 8.3. came forward and stood before הוהי.
- משה זה הַדָּבַר אַשר־צוָה יהוָה תַעשוּ ויֵרָא אַלִיכֶם כבוד יהוָה: וַיִּאמר
- Moses said: "This is what הוהי has commanded that you do, that the Presence of הוהי may appear to you."
- וּבְעָד הָעָם וַעֲשֵׂה אֶת־קּרְבָּן הָעָם וְכַפֶּר בְּעֲדָם כַאֲשֵׂר צוָה יְהוָה: קֹרָב אֶל־הַמִזְבַּה וַעֲשַוֹּה אֶת־חַטָּאתְרָ וְאֶת־עַלִּתֶּךְ וְכַפֶּר בְּעַדְךָ וַיֹּאמֵר משֵׁה אֵל־אַהֵרֹן
- Then Moses said to Aaron: "Come forward to the altar and sacrifice your sin offering and your burnt offering, making expiation for yourself and for the people; and sacrifice the people's offering and make expiation for them, as הוהי has commanded."
- וַיִּקרָב אַהַרֹן אֵל־הַמִזִבְּח וַיִשֹׁחָט אֵת־עָגֵל הַחַטַאת אֲשֵׂר־לְוֹ:
- Aaron came forward to the altar and slaughtered his calf of sin offering.
- בַּדָּם וַיִּתְן עַל־קרנות הַמִּזִבַּחַ וִאַת־הַדָּם יָצַק אַל־יִסוֹד הַמַזִבַחַ: וֹיַקרבו בנִי אַהַרן אַת־הַדַם אַלִיוֹ וַיִּטבל אַצבעוֹ
- Aaron's sons brought the blood to him; he dipped his finger in the blood and put it on the horns of the altar; and he poured out the rest of the blood at the base of the altar.
- מן־הַחַטָּאת הַקְטִיר הַמַזִבַּחָה כַאֲשֶׁר צוָה יְהוֹה אֵת־משֶׁה: ואת־הַחַלֶב וָאַת־הַכַלִּית וָאַת־הַיתַרֶת מוְ־הַכַבַּד
- The fat, the kidneys, and the protuberance of the liver from the sin offering he turned into smoke on the altar—as הוהי had commanded Moses;
- 11 ואַת־הַבָּשַר וִאַת־הַעוֹר שַרָף בָּאֵשׁ מִחוּץ לְמַחֵנָה:
 - and the flesh and the skin were consumed in fire outside the camp.
- 12 וַנִמצאו בַנֵּי אָהַרָן אַלָּיוֹ אֱת־הַדָּם וַיִּזְרַקְהוּ עַל־הַמַזְבֶּחַ סָבִיב: וַיִשַּׁחַט אַת־הַעלַה
 - Then he slaughtered the burnt offering. Aaron's sons passed the blood to him, and he dashed it against all sides of the altar.
 - ואת־הַעלַה
 - בּחָבָּח: זּבְּחָבוּ אַליו לְנַתְחֵיהָ וָאֲת־הָרָאשׁ וַיַּקְטֵר עָל־הַמַזְבַּח: 13 They passed the burnt offering to him in sections, as well as the head, and he turned it into smoke on the altar.

- בּחָה: הַמַּזְבֵּחָה: על־הָעלָה הַמַזְבֵּחָה: 14 He washed the entrails and the legs, and turned them into smoke on the altar with the burnt offering.
- וַיַּקבֶּב אָת קרבָן הָעֶם וַיִּקְּח
- אַת־שַעִיר הַחַטַאַת אַשַר לָעָם וַיִּשֹחָטָהוּ וַיִּחַטַאָהוּ כַּרָאשוֹן: אַר־שַעיר הַחַטַאת אַשר לעם וַיִּשֹחָטָהוּ וַיִּחַטַאָהוּ כַּרָאשוֹן: 15 Next he brought forward the people's offering. He took the goat for the people's sin offering, and slaughtered it, and presented it as a sin offering like the previous one.

 - 16 He brought forward the burnt offering and ויַקרב אַת־הַעלה וַיִּעשַה כַּמשׁפַט: sacrificed it according to regulation.
 - וּיְמַלָּא כַפוֹ מִמֶּנָה וַיַּקְטָר על־הַמִזְבֶח מִלְּבֶד עלְת הַבְּקָר: וַיַּקרֶבּ אֲת־הַמִּנִחָה
- He then brought forward the meal offering and, taking a handful of it, he turned it into smoke on the altar—in addition to the burnt offering of the morning.*burnt offering of the morning See Exod. 29.38-46.
- וַיַמְצָאוּ בְנֵי אַהֲרָן אֶת־הַדָּם אֵלָיו וַיִּזְרְקָהוּ עַל־הַמִּזְבֶּחַ סִבְיב: וַיִשֹׁחָט אֵת־הַשוֹר וִאֵת־הָאַיִל זֶבַח הַשַּׁלְמִים אֲשֵׁר לָעָם
- He slaughtered the ox and the ram, the people's sacrifice of well-being. Aaron's sons passed the blood to him—which he dashed against every side of the altar—
- 19 מן־הַשָּוֹר ומֹן־הָאַיִל הָאַלֹיָה והָמַכַסֵה והַכַּלָיֹת וִיתְרֵת הַכָּבֵד: ואת־הַחַלַבִים
 - and the fat parts of the ox and the ram: the broad tail, the covering [fat], the kidneys, and the protuberances of the livers.
- 20 וַיַשִׁימוּ אַת־הַחַלָבִים עַל־הַחַוּות וַיַקטַר הַחַלַבִים הַמַוְבַּחַה:
 - They laid these fat parts over the breasts; and Aaron*Aaron Moved up from v. 21 for clarity. turned the fat parts into smoke on the altar,
- 21 שוק הַיָּמִין הַנָיף אַהַרֶן תִנוּפָה לִפְנֵי יִהוָה כַאֲשֵׂר צוָה משה: ואת החזות ואת
- and elevated the breasts and the right thighs as an elevation offering before הוהי —as Moses had commanded.
 - 22 אֵל־הָעָם וַיִּבַרַכָּם וַיֵּבֶד מֵעַשִׂת הַחַטַאת והָעלָה והַשּׁלְמִים: וַיִּשַׂא אַהַרָן אֵת־יָדָו
 - Aaron lifted his hands toward the people and blessed them; and he stepped down after offering the sin offering, the burnt offering, and the offering of well-being.
- 23 מועד וַיָּצָאוֹ וַיִבָּרְכִוּ אֲת־הָעָם וַיֵּרָא כבוד־יהוָה אֱל־כַּל־הָעָם: וַיַבֹא משה ואהרן אַל־אַהֵל
 - Moses and Aaron then went inside the Tent of Meeting. When they came out, they blessed the people; and the Presence of הוהי appeared to all the people.
- אַת־הָעלָה וִאַת־הַחַלָבִים וַיַּרִא כָּל־הַעָם וַיָּרֹנוּ וַיִּפְּלוּ עַל־פּנֵיהֵם: ותצא אש מלפני יהוה ותאכל על־המזבח
 - Fire came forth from before הוהי and consumed the burnt offering and the fat parts on the altar. And all the people saw, and shouted, and fell on their faces.

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- עליה קטרת וַיַקריבו לפני יהוָה אֲשׁ וָרָה אֲשַׁר לֵא צוָה אתם: בְנָי־אַהֲרוֹ נָלָב וַאֲבִיהוּא אַישׁ מַחתָתוֹ וַיִּתְנִוּ בָהֵן אֵשׁ וַיַשֵּימוּ וַיקחוּ
- Now Aaron's sons Nadab and Abihu each took his fire pan, put fire in it, and laid incense on it; and they offered before הוהי alien fire, which had not been enjoined upon them.

וַתְצֵא אֲשׁ מִלְפַנֶי יְהוָה וַתְאכַל אוֹתָם וַיָּמַתוּ לִפְנֵי יְהוָה:

And fire came forth from הוהי and consumed them; thus they died at the instance of*at the instance of Others "before." הוהי.

ו לַאמר בַקרבַי אַקדַשׁ ועַל־פַנֵי כַל־הַעָם אַכַבַד וַיִּדִם אַהַרְן: וַנֹּאמֵר משֵׂה אֵל־אַהֵרֹן הוא אֲשֶר־דִּבֶּר יְהוָה Then Moses said to Aaron, "This is what הוהי meant by saying: Through those near to Me I show Myself holy, And gain glory before all the people." And Aaron was silent.

לָרבו שאו את־אַחַיכם מאת פני־הַלְּדֵשׁ אַל־מַחוּץ לַמַחַנָה: אַל־מִישָאַל ואָל אַלצַפּן בְּנֵי עִזִּיאַל דִּד אַהַרָן וַיָאמַר אַלַהַם וַיקרָא משה Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said to them, "Come forward and carry your kinsmen away from the front of the sanctuary to a place outside the camp."

ויקרבו וישאם בכתנתם אל־מחוץ למחנה כאשר דבר משה:

They came forward and carried them out of the camp by their tunics, as Moses had ordered.

וַאֲחֵיכֶם כָּל־בָּית יִשְׂרָאֵל יִבְכוּ אֶת־הַשְּׂרֵפָּה אֲשֶׂר שִׁרְף יְהוָה: ו ובגדיכם לא־תפרמו ולא תמתו ועל כל־העדה יקצף משה אַל־אַהַרון וּלִאַלִעָזָר וּלִאִיתִמַר ו בַּנָיו רָאשוִיכֶם אַל־תִפַּרָעוּ ויאמר And Moses said to Aaron and to his sons Eleazar and Ithamar, "Do not bare your heads*bare your heads Or "dishevel your hair"; cf. Num. 5.18. and do not rend your clothes, lest you die and anger strike the whole community. But your kin,*kin Heb. aim, lit. "brothers"; NJPS "kinsmen." It goes without saying that women are in view, because they were the face of public mourning in ancient Israel (Exod. 33.4; Jer. 9.16–17, 19; 2 Chron. 35.25). all the house of Israel, shall bewail the burning that הוהי has wrought.

פורתמתו כיישמן משחת יהוה עליכם ויַעשו כדבר משה: ומפתח אהל מועד לא תצאו

And so do not go outside the entrance of the Tent of Meeting, lest you die, for הוהי's anointing oil is upon you." And they did as Moses had bidden.

וַיִדַבֶּר יִהֹוָה אֵל־אַהַרוְ לֵאמִר:

And הוהי spoke to Aaron, saying:

אַלָּך בַבאַכֶם אַל־אָהֵל מועד ולָא תָמַתוּ חָקת עולָם לִדרתֵיכֶם: יָין וִשַׂכֶּר אַל־תַשֹת וּ אַתָה וּ וּבַנֵּיךָ

Drink no wine or other intoxicant, you or your sons, when you enter the Tent of Meeting, that you may not die. This is a law for all time throughout the ages,

ולהבדיל בין הקדש ובין החל ובין הטמא ובין הטהור:

for you must distinguish between the sacred and the profane, and between the impure and the pure;

ישראַל אַת כַּל־הָחָלִים אַשֵּׁר דִבָּר יִהוָה אַלֵיהֵם בִיַד־משַה: ולהורת את־בני

11 and you must teach the Israelites all the laws which הוהי has imparted to them through Moses.

מַאְשֵׂי יָהוָֹה וִאָכִלְוּהָ מַצִּוֹת אָצֵל הַמַזִבַּחַ כִּי קְדֵשׁ קַדָשִים הוא: אַלעוָר ואַל־אִיתִמָר ו בַנִיוֹ הַנְותְרִים קחוו אַת־הַמַנִחְה הַנוּוֹלֵרֵת וַיִדַבַּר משה אַל־אַהַרון ואַל

12 Moses spoke to Aaron and to his remaining sons, Eleazar and Ithamar: Take the meal offering that is left over from הוהי's offerings by fire and eat it unleavened beside the altar, for it is most holy.

וַאַכַלתם אתה

יהוֹה כִּיכֵן צַוַּיתִי: You shall eat it in the sacred precinct, inasmuch as it is your due, and that of your sons, from הוה's offerings by fire; for so I have been commanded.

- But the breast of elevation offering and the thigh ובְנתֶיךָ אִתְךְ כִי־חָקְךָ וְחָק־בְּנֶּיךְ נִתְּלוֹ מִזִּבְחְי שַׁלְמֵי בְּנֶי יִשְׂרָאְל:
 הַתְּנוּפָה וְאָת וּ שַׂוֹק הַתְּרוּמָה תְּאַכְלוֹּ בְּמַקוֹם טָהוֹר אַתְּה וּבְנֶיךָ
 ואת חוֹה
 האר הוֹה שׁלְמִי בּנֶי יִשְׂרָאִל:
 האר הוֹה מוּת חוֹה sons and daughters with you, may eat in any
 - of gift offering you [and your wife], and your sons and daughters with you, may eat in any pure place, for they have been assigned as a due to you and your sons from the Israelites' sacrifices of well-being.
- לִפְנֶי יְהֹוֶה וְהָיָּה לְךָ וּלְבָנֶיךָ אִתְךָּ לְחָק־עוֹלָם כַּאֲשֶׂר צִּוָּה יְהֹוָה: הַתְּרוּמָׂה וַחֲזֶה הַתְּנוּפָּה עַל אִשָּׁי הַחֲלָבִים יָבִיאוּ לְהָנֶיף תְנוּפְה שוֹק
- Together with the fat of fire offering, they must present the thigh of gift offering and the breast of elevation offering, which are to be elevated as an elevation offering before הוהי, and which are to be your due and that of your sons with you for all time—as הוהי has commanded.
- 16 שוֹרֶף וַּיִּקצוֹף עַל־אֶלְעָזָר וְעַל־אִיתְמָר בְּנֶי אַהֲרֹן הַנּוֹתְרָם לֵאמְר: וָאֵת וְ שַׁעִיר הַחַּטֵּאת בִּרשׁ הִרָשׁ מִשֵּׁה וְהַנָּה
 - 16 Then Moses inquired about the goat of sin offering, and it had already been burned! He was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's remaining sons, and said,
 - ו נָתָן לָכֶּם לָשֵׁאתׁ אֶת־עֲנָן הַעֵּדָה לְכַפֶּר עֲלֵיהֶם לִפְנֶי יְהֹוָה: אֶת־הַחַטָּאתֹ בִּמְקוֹם הַלְּדֶשׁ כֶּי קֹדֶשׁ קִדָשִׁים הַוּא וְאֹתְה מַדּוּע לִא־אַכַלִּתַם
- "Why did you not eat the sin offering in the sacred area? For it is most holy, and it is what was given to you to remove the guilt of the community and to make expiation for them before הוהי.
- 18 אֶל־הַקֹדֶשׁ פְגֵימָה אָכּוֹל תֹאכְלְוּ אֹתָה בַּקֹדֶשׁ כַּאֲשֶׂר צִוֵּיתִי: הַן לא־הוּבַא אַת־דִּמַה
 - 18 Since its blood was not brought inside the sanctuary,*brought inside the sanctuary As is done in the case of the most solemn offerings; see 4.3–21; 16.11–17. you should certainly have eaten it in the sanctuary, as I commanded."
- 19 וַתְקְרֶאנָה אֹתְי כָאֲלֶה וְאָכֶלְתִּי חַטָאתֹ הַיֹּוֹם הַיִּיטָב בְּעֵינָי יְהֹוְה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה הָן הַּיִּׁוֹם הִקְרִיבוּ אֶת־חַטָאתַם וְאֶת־עְלָתַם לִפְנֵי יְהֹוָה וַיְדַבֵּר אַהְרֹן
 - 19 And Aaron spoke to Moses, "See, this day they brought their sin offering and their burnt offering before הוהי, and such things have befallen me! Had I eaten sin offering today, would הוהי have approved?"
 - נִישְׁמְע מֹשֶׁה וַיִּיטָב בְּעֵינְיו: 20 And when Moses heard this, he approved.

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- נִידַבֶּר יִהוָה אֵל־משָה וִאֵל־אַהַרן לַאמִר אַלַהָם:
- הוהי spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying to them:
- לֵאמֶר זְאת הְחַיָּה אֲשֶׂר תֹאכְלוּ מִכְּל־הַבְּהֵמְה אֲשֶׂר עַל־הָאָרֶץ: הַבְּרָוּ אֶל־בְּנֶי יִשִׂרָאֶל
- 2 Speak to the Israelite people thus: These are the creatures that you may eat from among all the land animals:
- פַרְטָה וְשֹסְעָת שֶּׁסַעָּ פְּרָטֹת מַעֲלָת גֵּרָה בַּבְּהַמֵּה אֹתָה תֹאכֵלוּ: כִּל ו מַפַּרָסֵת
- any animal that has true hoofs, with clefts through the hoofs, and that chews*chews Lit. "brings up." the cud—such you may eat.
- כִּי־מַעֲלֵה גֵּרָה הֿוּא וּפַּרְסָהֹ אֵינֶנּוּ מַפְּרִיס טָמָא הְוּא לָכֶם: אֶת־זֶה לָא תְאכְלוּ מִמַעֲלֵיּ הַגֵּרָה וּמִמַפְרָסֵי הַפַּרְסָה אֶת־הַּגָּמָׁל אָךָ
- 4 The following, however, of those that either chew the cud or have true hoofs, you shall not eat: the camel—although it chews the cud, it has no true hoofs: it is impure for you;

כִי־מַעַלָה גַרָה הוא וּפַרסָה לָא יַפּרַיס טַמֵא הוא לָכֶם: the daman—although it chews the cud, it has no true hoofs: it is impure for you; the hare—although it chews the cud, it has no כִי־מַעֵלָת גֵּרָה הוא וּפַרסָה לָא הפַרַיסָה טִמֵאָה הוא לָכֶם: ואת־הארנבת true hoofs: it is impure for you; הוא ושסע שַמעל פַרסָה והוא גַרָה לֹא־יִגַר טָמֵא הוּא לָכֶם: and the swine—although it has true hoofs, with ואת־הַחוֹיר כי־מפריס פרסה the hoofs cleft through, it does not chew the cud: it is impure for you. מבשרם לא תאכלו ובנבלתם לא תגעו טמאים הם לכם: You shall not eat of their flesh or touch their carcasses; they are impure for you. אַשֵּׁר־לוֹ סִנַפִּיר וִקשֹּקשַת בַּמַיִם בַּיַמֵים וּבַנְחָלִים אתם תאכֵלו: These you may eat of all that live in water: את זה תאכלו מכל אשר במים כל anything in water, whether in the seas or in the streams, that has fins and scales—these you may eat. מכל שָרֶץ הַמַּיִם וּמִכֶּל נֶפֶש הַחַיָּה אֲשֶר בַּמַיִם שָׂקָץ הֶם לָכֶם: 10 But anything in the seas or in the streams that וכל אַשֵּׂר אֵין־לו סנפיר וקשקשת בַיַּמִים ובַנַּחָלִים has no fins and scales, among all the swarming things of the water and among all the other living creatures that are in the water—they are an abomination for you 11 ושקץ יהיו לכם מבשרם לא תאכלו ואת־נבלתם תשקצו: and an abomination for you they shall remain: you shall not eat of their flesh and you shall abominate their carcasses. בל אשר אין־לו סנפיר וקשקשת במים שקץ הוא לכם: 12 Everything in water that has no fins and scales shall be an abomination for you. The following*The following A number of these ַלָא יֵאָכְלָוּ שָׂקִץ הָם אֶת־הַנֶּּשֶׂר וְאֶת־הַפֶּׁרֶס וְאֶת הָעָזְנִיָה: וֹאַת־אַלה תשקצו מן־העוף cannot be identified with certainty, you shall abominate among the birds—they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, the vulture, and the black vulture; יוֹאֵת־הָאָיָה לְמִינָה: 14 the kite, falcons of every variety; את כל ערב למינו: 15 all varieties of raven; וְאֵת בַּת הַיִּעֲלָה וְאֶת־הַתַּחְמָס וְאֶת־הַשַּׂחַף וְאֶת־הַנֵּץ לְמִינֵהוּ: 16 the ostrich, the nighthawk, the sea gull; hawks of every variety; ד ואַת־הַשַּלְךְ וָאַת־הַיָּנשוּף: 17 the little owl, the cormorant, and the great owl; ואת־הַתנשמת ואת־הַקאת ואת־הַרַחם: the white owl, the pelican, and the bustard; ואת הַחַסִידָה הַאַנַפָּה לִמִינָה וָאַת־הַדּוּכִיפַת וָאַת־הַעַטַלְּף: the stork; herons of every variety; the hoopoe, and the bat. 20 כַל שָׂרֶץ הָעוֹף הַהֹלֵךְ עַל־אַרבַע שֵׂקָץ הוּא לַכֵם: All winged swarming things that walk on fours shall be an abomination for you.

But these you may eat among all the winged

swarming things that walk on fours: all that have, above their feet, jointed legs to leap with

on the ground—

21 אַשַר־]לִוּ[)לא(כַרָעַיִם מִמַעַל לִרַגַלָּיו לְנַתֵּר בָּהַן עַל־הָאָרֵץ:

אָך אַת־זֵה תאכלו מכל שבץ העוף ההלך על־אַרבע

22 of these you may eat the following:*the את־אַלָה מַהָם תאכלו את־האַרבה למינו following A number of these cannot be identified with certainty. locusts of every variety; all varieties of bald locust; crickets of every variety; and all varieties of grasshopper. בם: מַלְיָם שֶׁקְץ הְוֹא לָכֶם: 23 But all other winged swarming things that have four legs shall be an abomination for you. 24 ולאלה תטמאו כל־הַנגע בנבלתם יטמא עד־הערב: And the following shall make you impure—whoever touches their carcasses shall be impure until evening, 25 וכָל־הַנַּשֵׂא מִנָּבַלָּתָם יִכַבֶּס בַּגָדִיו וִטָמֵא עַד־הָעָרֵב: and whoever carries the carcasses of any of them shall wash those clothes and be impure until evening— 26 וגַרָה אֵינֶנָה מַעֵלָה טִמַאִים הֵם לָכָם כָל־הַנַגֶע בָהֵם יִטִמָא: every animal that has true hoofs but without לְכַל־הַבַּהַמָה אֲשֶר הוּא מַפַּרְּסֵת פַּרְסָה וִשָּׂסַע וּ אֵינֶנָה שֹׁסַעת clefts through the hoofs, or that does not chew the cud. They are impure for you; whoever touches them shall be impure. 27 על־אַרבַע טמאים הם לכם כל־הַנגַע בּנבלָתָם יטמא עד־הַערֵב: Also all animals that walk on paws, among those וכל ו הולך על־כַפִּיו בַכַל־הַחַיָה הַהּלָכֵת that walk on fours, are impure for you; whoever touches their carcasses shall be impure until evening. יִכַבֶּס בַּגָדָיו וִטָמָא עָד־הָעָרֵב טִמֵאָים הַמָּה לָכֶם: 28 And anyone who carries their carcasses shall wash those clothes and remain impure until והנשא את־נבלתם evening. They are impure for you. 29 הַטָּמֵא בַשַּׂרֵץ הַשּׁרֶץ עַל־הָאָרֵץ הַחְלֵד והָעַכבַר וִהַצָּב לִמִינָהוּ: The following*The following A number of these ווַה לַכֵּם cannot be identified with certainty, shall be impure for you from among the things that swarm on the earth: the mole, the mouse, and great lizards of every variety; 30 והָאַנָקה והַכַּח והַלְּטָאָה והַחמֵט והַתּנשְמֵת: the gecko, the land crocodile, the lizard, the sand lizard, and the chameleon. לָכֶם בִכָּל־הַשַּׁרֵץ כָּל־הַנֹּגֶע בָהֶם במתם יטמא עד־הָעָרֵב: Those are for you the impure among all the אלה הטמאים swarming things; whoever touches them when they are dead shall be impure until evening. אַשֵר־יֵעשָה מלָאכָה בָהָם בַמַיִם יוּבָא וּטָמֵא עַד־הַעָרֵב וּטָהַר: And anything on which one of them falls when ו במתם יטמא מכל־כלי־על או בגד או־עור או שק כל־כלי dead shall be impure: be it any article of wood, וכל אַשר־יפּל־עַלִיוֹ מַהָּם or a cloth, or a skin, or a sack—any such article that can be put to use shall be dipped in water, and it shall remain impure until evening; then it shall be pure.

And if any of those falls into an earthen vessel, everything inside it shall be impure and [the

vessel] itself you shall break.

אָשֶׂר־יִפְּל מֵהֶם אֶל־תוֹכֵוֹ כִּל אֲשֶׂר בְּתוֹכֵוֹ יִטִמָא וִאֹתוֹ תִשֹבֵּרוּ:

בכל־כַלִּי יִטְמַא: 34 As to any food that may be eaten, it shall become מכל־הַאֹכל אַשר יַאְכל אַשׂר impure if it came in contact with water;*if it came in contact with water That is, if the food then came in contact with the carcass of any animal named in vv. 29–30. as to any liquid that may be drunk, it shall become impure if it was inside any vessel.*any vessel That is, one contaminated via contact with a carcass as in vv. 32-33. ּן עָלָיוֹ יִטְמָאָ תַנְּוּר וְכִירָיִם יֻתָּץ טְמֵאַים הֶם וּטְמֵאִים יִהְיִוּ לָכֶם: 35 Everything on which the carcass of any of them וֹכُל אשר־יפל מנבלתם falls shall be impure: an oven or stove shall be smashed. They are impure—and impure they shall remain for you. 36 אַךְ מַעִיָן וּבֶוֹר מִקוַה־מִים יִהְיָה טָהֻוֹר וְנֹגֶעַ בְּנִבְלָתִם יִטְמָא: However, a spring or cistern in which water is collected shall be pure, but whoever touches such a carcass in it shall be impure. יבי יִפּל מַנְבַלְּחָם עַל־כַּל־זַרַע זַרְוּעָ אַשַּׂר יַזָּרַע טַהוּר הוּא: 37 If such a carcass falls upon seed grain that is to be sown, it is pure; 38 וַכִי יֻתַּן־מַיִם עַל־זֵרַע וַנָפָּל מִנָּבַלָּתָם עָלָיו טָמֵא הְוּא לָכֵם: but if water is put on the seed and any part of a carcass falls upon it, it shall be impure for you. אַשר־הַיא לָכָם לאָכִלָה הַנֹגֶע בִּנְבַלָּתָה יִטִמָא עַד־הָעָרֵב: If an animal that you may eat has died, anyone וָכַי יַמוּת מוְ־הַבַּהֵמַה who touches its carcass shall be impure until evening; ַעָד־הָעָרֶב וְהַנַּשֵׁאַ אֶת־נִבְלָתָה יְכַבֶּס בְּנָדָיו וְטָמֶא עַד־הָעָרֶב: anyone who eats of its carcass shall wash those והאכל מנבלתה יכבס בגדיו וטמא clothes and remain impure until evening; and anyone who carries its carcass shall wash those clothes and remain impure until evening. וִכָל־הַשַּׂבֵץ הַשֹּׁבַץ עַל־הַאָבֵץ שַׂקַץ הוּא לְא יֵאַכֵל: All the things that swarm upon the earth are an abomination; they shall not be eaten. ַרַגְלַיִם לְכָל־הַשָּׂבֶץ הַשֹּרֶץ עַל־הָאָבֶץ לָא תֹאכְלְוּם כִּי־שָׂקָץ הַם: You shall not eat, among all things that swarm בל הולך על גַחוון וכל ו הולך על ארבע עד כל מרבה upon the earth, anything that crawls on its belly, or anything that walks on fours, or anything that has many legs; for they are an abomination. בְּכָל־הַשֶּׂבֶץ הַשֹּׁרֵץ וְלָא תְטַמְאוֹ בָהֶם וְנִטְמֵתֶם בָּם: You shall not draw abomination upon אַל־תִשַקצוּ אֵת־נַפִּשְׁתִיכֵם yourselves through anything that swarms; you shall not make yourselves impure therewith and thus become impure. ּ אָנִי וְלָא תְטַמִאוּ אֶת־נַפְּשָתִיכֶם בְּכָל־הַשֶּׂרֶץ הָרֹמָשׁ עַל־הָאָרֶץ: For I הוהי am your God: you shall sanctify כִי אַנִי יִהוָהֿ אֵלְהֵיכֵם וִהתקדשׁתֵם וִהִייתֶם קדשׁים כִי קדוש yourselves and be holy, for I am holy. You shall not make yourselves impure through any

מִצְלַיִם לִהְיָת לָכֶם לֵאלֹהֻים וִהְיִיתֶם קדשִׁים כֶּי קדְושׁ אָנִי:

כֵי ו אַנִי יִהֹוָה הַמַעַלָה אַתִכֶם מַאָרֵץ

swarming thing that moves upon the earth.

For I הוהי am the One who brought you up from

the land of Egypt to be your God: you shall be

holy, for I am holy.

- אָרֶץ: אַרְיקּבֶּשׁ הַשֹּרֶצֶת עַל־הָאָרֶץ: 46 These are the instructions concerning animals, אור וויל היא מוויעון ליינים אויקליי ווילים אור מוויעון ליינים אוילים אויע מוויעון ליינים אויע מוויעון שליינים אויע מוויען אויען אויע מוויען אויע מוויען אויען אויען
 - birds, all living creatures that move in water, and all creatures that swarm on earth,

 - לא תַאָּכְל: הַנְין הַחָיָה הְנָאֱכֶּלֶת וּבֵין הְחַיָּה אֲשֶׂר לְא תַאָּכְל: for distinguishing between the impure and the pure, between the living things that may be eaten and the living things that may not be eaten.