

25 Thus the land became defiled; and I called it to account for its iniquity, and the land spewed out its inhabitants.

26 But you must keep My laws and My rules, and you must not do any of those abhorrent things, which the nations who dwell in the land of Canaan did, and the nations which were before them: neither the citizen nor the stranger who resides among you;

27 For all those abhorrent things were done by the people who were in the land before you, and the land became defiled.

28 So let not the land spew you out for defiling it, as it spewed out the nation that came before you.

29 All who do any of those abhorrent things—such persons shall be cut off from their people.

30 You shall keep My charge not to engage in any of the abhorrent practices that were carried on before you, and you shall not defile yourselves through them: I am your God.

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- 10 The nakedness of your son's daughter, or of your daughter's daughter—do not uncover their nakedness; for their nakedness is yours.*their nakedness is yours Meaning uncertain.
- 11 The nakedness of your father's wife's daughter, who was born into your father's household—she is your sister; do not uncover her nakedness.
- 12 Do not uncover the nakedness of your father's sister; she is your father's flesh.
- 13 Do not uncover the nakedness of your mother's sister; for she is your mother's flesh.
- 14 Do not uncover the nakedness of your father's brother: do not approach his wife; she is your aunt.
- 15 Do not uncover the nakedness of your daughter-in-law: she is your son's wife; you shall not uncover her nakedness.
- 16 Do not uncover the nakedness of your brother's wife; it is the nakedness of your brother.*See note at 18.7–8.
- 17 Do not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter; nor shall you take [into your household as a wife] her son's daughter or her daughter's daughter and uncover her nakedness: they are kindred; it is depravity.
- 18 Do not take [into your household as a wife] a woman as a rival to her sister and uncover her nakedness in the other's lifetime.
- 19 Do not come near a woman during her menstrual period of impurity to uncover her nakedness.
- 20 Do not have carnal relations with your neighbor's wife and defile yourself with her.
- 21 Do not allow any of your offspring to be offered up to Molech, and do not profane the name of your God: I am יהוה.
- 22 Do not lie with a male as one lies with a woman; it is an abhorrence.
- 23 Do not have carnal relations with any beast and defile yourself thereby. Likewise for a woman: she shall not lend herself to a beast to mate with it; it is perversion.
- 24 Do not defile yourselves in any of those ways, for it is by such that the nations that I am casting out before you defiled themselves.
- 10 בַּת־בִּנְיָן אִי בַת־בֵּתְךָ לֹא תִגְלֶה עֲרוֹתוֹ כִּי עֲרוֹתְךָ הִנֵּה עֶרְוָת
- 11 אֲבִיךָ מוֹלְדֶת אֲבִיךָ אֲחוֹתְךָ הִוא לֹא תִגְלֶה עֲרוֹתָהּ: עֶרְוַת בַּת־אִשְׁתְּךָ
- 12 עֶרְוַת אֲחוֹת־אֲבִיךָ לֹא תִגְלֶה שְׂאֵר אֲבִיךָ הִוא:
- 13 עֶרְוַת אֲחוֹת־אִמְךָ לֹא תִגְלֶה כִּי־שְׂאֵר אִמְךָ הִוא:
- 14 אֲחִי־אֲבִיךָ לֹא תִגְלֶה אֶל־אִשְׁתּוֹ לֹא תִקְרַב יָדְתָּךְ הִוא: עֶרְוַת
- 15 עֶרְוַת כֻּלְתָּךְ לֹא תִגְלֶה אִשֶּׁת בִּנְיָן הִוא לֹא תִגְלֶה עֲרוֹתָהּ:
- 16 עֶרְוַת אִשְׁת־אֲחִיךָ לֹא תִגְלֶה עֲרוֹת אֲחִיךָ הִוא:
- 17 וְאִת־בִּתְּהָהּ לֹא תִקַּח לְגִלּוֹת עֲרוֹתָהּ שְׂאֵרָהּ הִנֵּה זִמָּה הִוא: עֲרוֹת אִשָּׁה וּבִתָּהּ לֹא תִגְלֶה אִת־בִּתְּבָהּ
- 18 וְאִשָּׁה אֶל־אֲחוֹתָהּ לֹא תִקַּח לְצִדֵּי לְגִלּוֹת עֲרוֹתָהּ עֲלֶיהָ בַּחַיָּיָהּ:
- 19 וְאֶל־אִשָּׁה בְּנֶדֶת טְמֵאָתָהּ לֹא תִקְרַב לְגִלּוֹת עֲרוֹתָהּ:
- 20 וְאֶל־אִשָּׁה עֲמִיתְךָ לֹא־תִתֵּן שִׁכְבָּתְךָ לְזָרַע לְטִמְאָה־בָּהּ:
- 21 לֹא־תִתֵּן לְהַעֲבִיר לְמַלְךְךָ וְלֹא תִחַלֵּל אֶת־שֵׁם אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֲנִי יְהוָה: וּמִזִּרְעֶךָ
- 22 וְאִת־זָכָר לֹא תִשְׁכַּב מִשְׁכַּבִּי אִשָּׁה תוֹעֵבָה הִוא:
- 23 לְטִמְאָה־בָּהּ וְאִשָּׁה לֹא־תַעֲמֹד לִפְנֵי בְהֵמָה לְרִבְעָההּ תִּגַּל הִוא: וּבְכָל־בְּהֵמָה לֹא־תִתֵּן שִׁכְבָּתְךָ
- 24 כִּי בְכָל־אֱלֹה נִטְמָאוּ הַגּוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר־אֲנִי מִשְׁלָח מִפְּנֵיכֶם: אֶל־טְמֵאֵי בְכָל־אֱלֹה
- 1 אַחֲרָי מוֹת שִׁנִּי בָנִי אֶהְרֹן בְּקִרְבָּתָם לִפְנֵי־יְהוָה וַיָּמָתוּ: וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוָה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה
- 2 הַכֹּפֶרֶת אֲשֶׁר עָלֶיהָ אֹרֹן וְלֹא יָמוּת כִּי בַעֲלֹן אִרְאֶה עָלֶיהָ כֹּפֶרֶת: אֲחִיךָ וְאֶל־יֵבֶה בְּכָל־עֵת אֶל־הַקֹּדֶשׁ מִבֵּית לִפְרָת אֶל־פְּנֵי וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה דַּבֵּר אֶל־אַהֲרֹן
- 3 בְּזֹאת יָבֹא אֶהְרֹן אֶל־הַקֹּדֶשׁ בִּפְרָ בְּרִבְקָה לְחַטָּאת וְאֵל לַעֲלֹה:
- 4 בִּד יִצְנַף בְּנִדְיָקֶשׁ הֵם וְרָחֵץ בַּמִּים אֶת־בִּשְׁרוֹ וּלְבָשֵׁם: יִלְבָּשׁ וּמִכְנֵסִי־בֹדֶד יִהְיֶה עַל־בִּשְׁרוֹ וּבִאֲבָנֶט בֹּדֶד יַחְזֵר וּבִמְצַנְפֶּת כִּתְנִית־בֹּדֶד קֹדֶשׁ
- 5 וּבְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל יִקַּח שְׁנֵי־שְׂעִירִי עִזִּים לְחַטָּאת וְאֵיל אֶחָד לַעֲלֹה: וּמֵאֵת עֲדָה
- 6 וְהִקְרִיב אֶהְרֹן אֶת־פֶּר חַטָּאת אֲשֶׁר־לֹו נִכְפַּר בְּעֶדֶן וּבְעֶד בֵּיתוֹ:
- 7 אֶת־שְׁנֵי הַשְּׂעִירִים וְהַעֲמִיד אֹתָם לִפְנֵי יְהוָה פֶּתַח אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד: וְלִקַּח
- 8 עַל־שְׁנֵי הַשְּׂעִירִים גִּרְלוֹת גֹּזֶל אֶחָד לִיהוָה וְגֹזֶל אֶחָד לְעֹזָאזֶל: וְנָתַן אֶהְרֹן
- 9 אֶהְרֹן אֶת־הַשְּׂעִיר אֲשֶׁר עָלָה עָלָיו הַגֹּזֶל לִיהוָה וַעֲשֶׂהוּ חַטָּאת: וְהִקְרִיב
- 10 וְעַמֲּוֹדֵי לִפְנֵי יְהוָה לְכַפֵּר עָלָיו לְשַׁלֵּחַ אוֹתוֹ לְעֹזָאזֶל הַמִּדְבָּרָה: וְהַשְּׂעִיר אֲשֶׁר עָלָה עָלָיו הַגֹּזֶל לְעֹזָאזֶל
- 11 נִכְפַּר בְּעֶדֶן וּבְעֶד בֵּיתוֹ וְשִׁחַט אֶת־פֶּר חַטָּאת אֲשֶׁר־לֹו: וְהִקְרִיב אֶהְרֹן אֶת־פֶּר חַטָּאת אֲשֶׁר־לֹו
- 12 יְהוָה וּמֵלֵא חֲפָלָיו קִטְרֶת סָמִים וְהָבִיא מִבֵּית לִפְרָתָהּ: וְלִקַּח מִלֵּא־חֲמֹתָהּ גִּחְלִי־אֵשׁ מִעַל הַמִּזְבֵּחַ מִלִּפְנֵי
- 1 spoke to Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron who died when they drew too close to the presence of יהוה.
- 2 יהוה said to Moses: Tell your brother Aaron that he is not to come at will*at will Lit. “at any time.” into the Shrine behind the curtain, in front of the cover that is upon the ark, lest he die; for I appear in the cloud over the cover.
- 3 Thus only shall Aaron enter the Shrine: with a bull of the herd for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering.—
- 4 He shall be dressed in a sacral linen tunic, with linen breeches next to his flesh, and be girt with a linen sash, and he shall wear a linen turban. They are sacral vestments; he shall bathe his body in water and then put them on.—
- 5 And from the Israelite community he shall take two he-goats for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering.
- 6 Aaron is to offer his own bull of sin offering, to make expiation for himself and for his household.
- 7 Aaron*Aaron Moved up from v. 8 for clarity. shall take the two he-goats and let them stand before יהוה at the entrance of the Tent of Meeting;
- 8 and he shall place lots upon the two goats, one marked for יהוה and the other marked for Azazel.
- 9 Aaron shall bring forward the goat designated by lot for יהוה, which he is to offer as a sin offering;
- 10 while the goat designated by lot for Azazel shall be left standing alive before יהוה, to make expiation with it and to send it off to the wilderness for Azazel.
- 11 Aaron shall then offer his bull of sin offering, to make expiation for himself and his household. He shall slaughter his bull of sin offering,
- 12 and he shall take a panful of glowing coals scooped from the altar before יהוה, and two handfuls of finely ground aromatic incense, and bring this behind the curtain.

And if any Israelite or any stranger who resides among them hunts down an animal or a bird that may be eaten, that person shall pour out its blood and cover it with earth.

For the life of all flesh—its blood is its life. Therefore I say to the Israelite people: You shall not partake of the blood of any flesh, for the life of all flesh is its blood. Anyone who partakes of it shall be cut off.

Any person, whether citizen or stranger, who eats what has died or has been torn by beasts shall wash those clothes, bathe in water, remain impure until evening—and shall then be pure. But if the clothes are not washed and the body is not bathed, that person shall bear the guilt.

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1 You shall not copy the practices of the land of Egypt where you dwell, or of the land of Canaan to which I am taking you; nor shall you follow their laws.

2 My rules alone shall you observe, and faithfully follow My laws: I am your God.

3 You shall keep My laws and My rules, by the pursuit of which human beings shall live: I am your God.

4 None of you men shall come near anyone of his own flesh to uncover nakedness: I am your God.

5 *I.e., a husband and wife are one flesh (Gen. 2.24), even if he should die or divorce her. Your father's nakedness, that is, the nakedness of your mother, you shall not uncover; she is your mother—you shall not uncover her nakedness.

6 Do not uncover the nakedness of your father's wife; it is the nakedness of your father.

7 The nakedness of your sister—you father's daughter or your mother's, whether born into the household or outside—do not uncover their nakedness.

13 He shall put the incense on the fire before you, so that the cloud from the incense screens the cover that is over [the Ark of] the Pact, lest he die.

14 He shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle it with his finger over the cover on the east side; and in front of the cover he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times.

15 He shall then slaughter the people's goat of sin offering, bring its blood behind the curtain, and do with its blood as he has done with the blood of the bull: he shall sprinkle it over the cover.

16 Thus he shall purge the shrine of the impurity and transgression of the Israelites, whatever their sins; and he shall do the same for the Tent of Meeting, which abides with them in the midst of their impurity.

17 When he goes in to make expiation in the Shrine, nobody else shall be in the Tent of Meeting until he comes out. When he has made expiation for himself and his household, and for the whole congregation of Israel,

18 he shall go out to the altar that is before you and purge it: it he shall take some of the blood of the bull and of the goat and apply it to each of the horns of the altar.

19 and the rest of the blood he shall sprinkle on it with his finger seven times. Thus he shall purify it of the defilement of the Israelites and consecrate it.

20 When he has finished purging the Shrine, the Tent of Meeting, and the altar, the live goat shall be brought forward.

21 Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat and confess over it all the iniquities and transgressions of the Israelites, whatever their sins, putting them on the head of the goat; and it shall be sent off to the wilderness through a designated* meaning of Heb. titi uncertain, agent* agent i.e., another participant—aside from the high priest, who must remain in the sanctuary. Trad. "man." See the Dictionary under Ish; Agent.

22 Thus the goat shall carry on it all their iniquities to an inaccessible region; and the goat shall be set free in the wilderness.

1	וַיֹּדֶבֶר יְהוָה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה לֵאמֹר:	23	And Aaron shall go into the Tent of Meeting, take off the linen vestments that he put on when he entered the Shrine, and leave them there.	23	וּפָשַׁט אֶת־בְּגָדֵי הַבָּד אֲשֶׁר לָבַשׁ בְּבֹאוֹ אֶל־הַקֹּדֶשׁ וַחֲנִיתָם שָׁם: וּבָא אֶהְרֹן אֶל־אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד
2	Speak to Aaron and his sons and to all the Israelite people and say to them: This is what יהוה has commanded:	24	He shall bathe his body in water in the holy precinct and put on his vestments; then he shall come out and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, making expiation for himself and for the people.	24	וַיָּצֵא וַיַּעֲשֶׂה אֶת־עֲלֹתוֹ וְאֶת־עֲלֹת הָעֹלָם וַכֹּפֶר בָּעֵדוּ וּבְעֵד הָעָם: וַיֵּרָחֵץ אֶת־בִּשְׁרוֹ בַּמַּיִם בַּמָּקוֹם קֹדֶשׁ וְלָבַשׁ אֶת־בְּגָדָיו
3	if anyone of the house of Israel slaughters an ox or sheep or goat in the camp, or does so outside the camp,	25	The fat of the sin offering he shall turn into smoke on the altar.	25	וְאֵת חֵלֶב הַחֻטָּאת יִקְטִיר הַמִּזְבֵּחַ:
4	and does not bring it to the entrance of the Tent of Meeting to present it as an offering to יהוה, before יהוה's Tabernacle, bloodguilt shall be imputed to that party: having shed blood, that person shall be cut off from among this people.	26	The one who set the Azazel-goat free shall wash those clothes and bathe the body in water—and after that may reenter the camp.	26	יָכֹס בְּגָדָיו וַיֵּרָחֵץ אֶת־בִּשְׁרוֹ בַּמַּיִם וְאֶחָדֵיהֶם יָבֹוא אֶל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: וְהִמְשַׁלַּח אֶת־הַשְּׂעִיר לְעֹזָאֵל
5	This is in order that the Israelites may bring the sacrifices which they have been making in the open—that they may bring them before יהוה, to the priest, at the entrance of the Tent of Meeting, and offer them as sacrifices of well-being to יהוה;	27	The bull of sin offering and the goat of sin offering whose blood was brought in to purge the Shrine shall be taken outside the camp; and their hides, flesh, and dung shall be consumed in fire.	27	לַמִּזְבֵּחַ וּשְׂרָפוּ בָאֵשׁ אֶת־עֲרֹתָם וְאֶת־בִּשְׂרָם וְאֶת־פָּרָשָׁם: הַחֻטָּאת אֲשֶׁר הֻבֵּא אֶת־דָּמָם לַכֹּפֶר בַּקֹּדֶשׁ יוֹצֵא אֶל־מִחוּץ וְאֵת פֶּרֶ הַחֻטָּאת וְאֵת ׀ שְׂעִיר
6	that the priest may dash the blood against the altar of יהוה at the entrance of the Tent of Meeting, and turn the fat into smoke as a pleasing odor to יהוה;	28	The one who burned them shall wash those clothes and bathe the body in water—and after that may re-enter the camp.	28	יָכֹס בְּגָדָיו וַיֵּרָחֵץ אֶת־בִּשְׁרוֹ בַּמַּיִם וְאֶחָדֵיהֶם יָבֹוא אֶל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: וְהִשְׂרָף אֹתָם
7	and that they may offer their sacrifices no more to the goat-demons after whom they stray. This shall be to them a law for all time, throughout the ages.	29	And this shall be to you a law for all time: In the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, you shall practice self-denial; and you shall do no manner of work, neither the citizen nor the alien who resides among you.	29	וְכָל־מִלָּאכָה לֹא תַעֲשׂוּ הָאָוֶלֶת וְהַגֵּר הַגֵּר בְּתוֹכְכֶם: עוֹלָם בַּחֹדֶשׁ הַשְּׁבִיעִי בַּעֲשׂוֹר לַחֹדֶשׁ תַּעֲנִי אֶת־נַפְשֹׁתֵיכֶם וְהִיָּתָה לָכֶם לְחֻקַּת
8	Say to them further: If anyone of the house of Israel or of the strangers who reside among them offers a burnt offering or a sacrifice,	30	For on this day atonement shall be made for you to purify you of all your sins; you shall be pure before יהוה.	30	יָכֹפֶר עֲלֵיכֶם לְטָהֵר אֶתְכֶם מִכָּל חַטָּאתֵיכֶם לִפְנֵי יְהוָה תִּטְהָרוּ: כִּי־יָבוֹיִם הַזֶּה
9	and does not bring it to the entrance of the Tent of Meeting to offer it to יהוה, that person shall be cut off from this people.	31	It shall be a sabbath of complete rest for you, and you shall practice self-denial; it is a law for all time.	31	שִׁבְתִּי שְׁבֻתוֹן הִיא לָכֶם וְעַתָּה אֶת־נַפְשֹׁתֵיכֶם חֻקַּת עוֹלָם:
10	And if anyone of the house of Israel or of the strangers who reside among them partakes of any blood, I will set My face against the person who partakes of the blood; I will cut that person off from among kin.	32	The priest who has been anointed and ordained to serve as priest in place of his father shall make expiation. He shall put on the linen vestments, the sacral vestments.	32	אֶת־יָדוֹ לְכַהֵן תַּחַת אָבִיו וְלָבַשׁ אֶת־בְּגָדֵי הַבָּד בְּגָדֵי הַקֹּדֶשׁ: וַכֹּפֶר הַכֹּהֵן אֲשֶׁר־יִמְשַׁח אֹתוֹ וְאֲשֶׁר יִמְלֹא
11	For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have assigned it to you for making expiation for your lives upon the altar; it is the blood, as life, that effects expiation.	33	He shall purge the innermost Shrine; he shall purge the Tent of Meeting and the altar; and he shall make expiation for the priests and for all the people of the congregation.	33	מוֹעֵד וְאֶת־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ יָכֹפֶר וְעַל הַכֹּהֲנִים וְעַל־כָּל־עָם הַקָּהֵל יָכֹפֶר: וַכֹּפֶר אֶת־מִקְדָּשׁ הַקֹּדֶשׁ וְאֶת־אֹהֶל
12	Therefore I say to the Israelite people: No person among you shall partake of blood, nor shall the stranger who resides among you partake of blood.	34	This shall be to you a law for all time: to make atonement for the Israelites for all their sins once a year. And יהוה did as יהוה had commanded him.	34	מִכָּל־חַטָּאתָם אֶתָּה בִּשְׁנָה וְעַשׂ כַּאֲשֶׁר צֻוֶּה יְהוָה אֶת־מֹשֶׁה: וְהִיָּתָה־זֹאת לָכֶם לְחֻקַּת עוֹלָם לַכֹּפֶר עַל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל