

TORAH, GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS
LEVITICUS 27 - VOWS

Say - Welcome to Sabbath School class. Let's bow our head and ask God for understanding as we study chapter 27 of Leviticus.

Leviticus 27 – God told Moses about vows on Mt. Sinai and Moses, authorized by God, was to tell the people of Israel. God's people are to make God first in their lives.

With the idea of vows and marriage, we say as our part of our vows we shall forsake all others and cleave only unto each other, to that God says to us, "You shall have no other God before Me, Exodus 20:3" including whatever may become a god to us. Therefore as our vow we are to forsake all others and cleave only unto Him.

¹And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

²Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When a man shall make a singular (special) vow, the persons shall be for the LORD by thy estimation (like sweeping the floor, carrying out ashes and God would accept the offer).

Say – Verses 3-7 are of the ability of the persons.

³And thy estimation shall be of the male from twenty years old even unto sixty years old, even thy estimation shall be fifty shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary (A male between the age of 20-60 were of the greater service and were the age of men in war also.).

⁴And if it be a female, then thy estimation shall be thirty shekels.

⁵And if it be from five years old even unto twenty years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male twenty shekels, and for the female ten shekels (Not that she is worth less but it is an agrarian society; Paul said they were "teachers of good things;" Titus 2:3.).

⁶And if it be from a month old even unto five years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male five shekels of silver, and for the female thy estimation shall be three shekels of silver. (¹⁶For they are wholly given unto me from among the children of Israel; instead of such as open every womb, even instead of the firstborn of all the children of Israel, have I taken them unto me. ¹⁷For all the firstborn of the children of Israel are mine, both man and beast: on the day that I smote every firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them for myself. ¹⁸And I have taken the Levites for all the firstborn of the children of Israel. ¹⁹And I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the children of Israel, to do the service of the children of Israel in the tabernacle of the congregation, and to make an atonement for the children of Israel: that there be no plague among the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come nigh unto the sanctuary" Numbers 8:16-19).

⁷And if it be from sixty years old and above (they don't produce as much); if it be a male, then thy estimation shall be fifteen shekels, and for the female ten shekels.

⁸But if he be poorer than thy estimation, then he shall present himself before the priest, and the priest shall value him; according to his ability that vowed shall the priest value him (The poor will be "valued" according to their ability by the priest. This shows the equity of God among His people.).

Say –Verses 9-10 below are of clean beasts.

⁹And if it be a beast, whereof men bring an offering unto the LORD, all that any man giveth of such unto the LORD shall be holy (It was to be offered on the alter or if a blemish it was not to be offered.).

¹⁰He shall not alter it, nor change it, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good: and if he shall at all change beast for beast, then it and the exchange thereof shall be holy.

Say – Verses 11-13 are of unclean beasts.

¹¹And if it be any unclean beast, of which they do not offer a sacrifice unto the LORD, then he shall present the beast before the priest (can't sacrifice an unclean animal):

¹²And the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: as thou valuest it, who art the priest, so shall it be (If you change your mind there would be a price to pay see vs. 13 below.).

¹³But if he will at all redeem it, then he shall add a fifth part thereof unto thy estimation.

Say – Verses 14-15 are of houses.

¹⁴And when a man shall sanctify (set apart) his house (His own house and what was inside ¹⁵And he brought in the things which his father had dedicated, and the things which himself had dedicated, into the house of the LORD, silver, and gold, and vessels" I Kings 15:15.) to be holy unto the LORD, then the priest shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand (The priests had to know about real estate.).

¹⁵And if he that sanctified it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be his (If one dedicates his house it is given back in the year of Jubilee, see vs. 24 below.).

Say – Verses 16-25 are of fields.

¹⁶And if a man shall sanctify unto the LORD some part of a field of his possession, then thy estimation shall be according to the seed thereof: an homer of barley seed shall be valued at fifty shekels of silver (Would take a homer of barley which contained

ten ephahs “¹¹The ephah (40 gallons of dry measure) and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer (a unit of dry measure about 65 gallons), and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be after the homer” Ezekiel 45:11).

¹⁷If he sanctify his field from the year of jubilee, according to thy estimation it shall stand.

¹⁸But if he sanctify his field after the jubilee, then the priest shall reckon unto him the money according to the years that remain, even unto the year of the jubilee, and it shall be abated (deducted) from thy estimation.

¹⁹And if he that sanctified the field will in any wise redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be assured (belong) to him.

²⁰And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field to another man, it shall not be redeemed any more.

²¹But the field, when it goeth out in the jubilee, shall be holy unto the LORD, as a field devoted (dedicated); the possession thereof shall be the priest's (was theirs forever).

²²And if a man sanctify unto the LORD a field which he hath bought, which is not of the fields of his possession;

²³Then the priest shall reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation, even unto the year of the jubilee: and he shall give thine estimation (valuation) in that day, as a holy thing unto the LORD.

²⁴In the year of the jubilee the field shall return unto him of whom it was bought, even to him to whom the possession of the land did belong.

²⁵And all thy estimations shall be according to the shekel (a unit of weight or measure) of the sanctuary: twenty gerahs (a 20th part of a shekel equal to the weight of 16 barley grains or 4-5 carob beans) shall be the shekel (“¹³This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel is twenty gerahs;) an half shekel shall be the offering of the LORD” Exodus 30:13. “¹²And the shekel shall be twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh” Ezekiel 45:12).

Say – Clean beasts

²⁶Only the firstling (first born) of the beasts, which should be the LORD's firstling, no man shall sanctify it; whether it be ox, or sheep: it is the LORD's. (“¹²That thou shalt set apart unto the LORD all that openeth the matrix, and every firstling that cometh of a beast which thou hast; the males shall be the LORD's.” Exodus 13:12, 34:19)

Say – Unclean beasts

²⁷And if it be of an unclean beast, then he shall redeem it according to thine estimation, and shall add a fifth part of it thereto: or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according to thy estimation (is the same as vs. 11, 12).

Say – Verses 28-29 are of devoted things. “⁴When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed. ⁵Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay” Ecclesiastes 5:4-5.

²⁸Notwithstanding no devoted thing, that a man shall devote unto the LORD of all that he hath, both of man and beast, and of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed: every devoted thing is most holy unto the LORD.

²⁹None devoted, which shall be devoted of men, shall be redeemed; but shall surely be put to death.

Say – Verses 30-33 are of tithes. “Honor the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase” Proverbs 3:9.

³⁰And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD's: it is holy unto the LORD (The tenth bushel give to God, etc.).

³¹And if a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth part thereof. (Abraham payment of tithes to God “²⁰And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all” Genesis 14:20. Jacob's promise of the tithe “²²And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee” Genesis 28:22).

Say – How to tithe animals, every 10th one given to God but if the animal only had 7, wait unto the 10th one. They should pay tithe of all their increase of grain, trees and cattle. God teaches His people to “⁹Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:” Proverbs 3:9.)

³²And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod (“Passeth under the rod” means this was a way of counting the animals through a small opening, every tenth one was taken and marked and given to God and this is referred to in Ezekiel which says “And I will cause you to pass under the rod (marking His people as belonging to God), and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: (meaning the new marriage covenant, Jeremiah 31:31) And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the Lord (just as God did to those who came out of Egypt)” Ezekiel 20:37, 38.) the tenth shall be holy unto the LORD.

³³He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be

redeemed (Don't alter, don't go to the right or to the left; do it exactly as God said to do.).

³⁴These are the commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai (This is not a Mosaic law only in that God gave it to Moses; we are not reading the words of a man but from God.).

MEMORY VERSES

These are the commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses for the children of Israel in Mount Sinai.

Leviticus 27:34

And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD's: it is holy unto the LORD.

Leviticus 27:30

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR TOTS BELOW

VOWS TO GOD

GOD WANTS HIS PEOPLE TO MAKE GOD FIRST IN THEIR LIVES;

"ALL THE TITHE OF THE LAND, OR OF FRUIT OF THE TREE, IS THE LORD'S: IT IS HOLY UNTO THE LORD". EVERY TENTH BUSHEL IS GIVEN TO GOD. *Leviticus 27:30*

EVERY TENTH ANIMAL WAS GIVEN TO GOD BUT IF THE ANIMAL ONLY HAD 7, WAIT UNTIL THE TENTH ONE; EVERYONE WAS TO PAY TITHE OF GRAIN, TREES AND CATTLE.

GOD TEACHES HIS PEOPLE TO "HONOUR THE LORD WITH THY SUBSTANCE AND WITH THE FIRSTFRUITS OF ALL THINE INCREASE" *Proverbs 3:9*

CONCERNING THE TITHE OF THE HERD OR FLOCK "WHATEVER PASSETH UNDER THE ROD THE TENTH BELONGS TO GOD" BECAUSE ALL THINGS COME FROM GOD. *Leviticus 27:32*

"PASSETH UNDER THE ROD" MEANS THIS WAS A WAY OF COUNTING THE ANIMALS THROUGH A SMALL OPENING AND EVERY TENTH ONE WAS TAKEN AND MARKED AND GIVEN TO GOD; GOD WILL CAUSE HIS PEOPLE TO "PASS UNDER THE ROD" AND HE WILL BRING THEM INTO THE NEW MARRIAGE COVENANT. *Ezekiel 20:36-38*

WITH THE IDEA OF VOWS AND MARRIAGE WE SAY AS OUR PART OF OUR VOW WE SHALL FORSAKE ALL OTHERS AND CLEAVE ONLY UNTO EACH OTHER, TO THAT GOD SAYS TO US "YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME, EXODUS 20:3", INCLUDING WHATEVER MAY BECOME A GOD TO US. THEREFORE AS OUR VOW WE ARE TO FORSAKE ALL OTHERS AND CLEAVE ONLY UNTO HIM.

THE "NEW MARRIAGE COVENANT" IS HAPPENING TO THOSE GOD HAS CALLED NOW.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THE NEW MARRIAGE COVENANT
EVEN AT A YOUNG AGE AND REMEMBER WHERE IT IS IN THE YOUR
BIBLE, JEREMIAH 31: 31-34

THE NEW MARRIAGE COVENANT - JEREMIAH 31:31-34

31BEHOLD, THE DAYS COME SAITH THE LORD, THAT I WILL MAKE A
NEW (marriage) COVENANT WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND WITH
THE HOUSE OF JUDAH: (This is what Christ talked about at the last Passover with
His disciples; Christ said, "Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, this cup is the new
testament (covenant) in my blood, which is shed for you" Luke 22:20, I Corinthians 11:25.

One more item to consider what Christ will do in the future, "³³As I live, saith the Lord
GOD (Jesus), surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury
poured out, will I rule over you: (Why? Because you rejected My law.) ³⁴And I will
bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are
scattered (in the future, after the 1000 year reign on this earth, for God
knows where everyone is), with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and
with fury poured out (This is what the tribulation is all about because they
changed His teachings and did away with His Law.). ³⁵And I will bring you
(The leaders and the people.) into the wilderness of the people, and there will I
plead with you face to face (Christ will be on this earth "face to face" just like
on Mt. Sinai.). ³⁶Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of
Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD. ³⁷And I will cause you to pass
under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant (God will bring the
12 tribes of Israel into the new marriage covenant, Jeremiah 31:31-34):
³⁸And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me
(break My Law): I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and
they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the LORD
Ezekiel 20:33-38.

32NOT ACCORDING TO THE COVENANT THAT I MADE WITH THEIR
FATHERS IN THE DAY THAT I TOOK THEM BY THE HAND TO BRING
THEM OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT; WHICH MY COVENANT THEY
BRAKE, ALTHOUGH I WAS AN HUSBAND UNTO THEM, SAITH THE
LORD:

33BUT THIS SHALL BE THE (marriage) COVENANT THAT I WILL MAKE
WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL (God is talking about the 12 tribes of Israel after
they are united.); AFTER THOSE DAYS, SAITH THE LORD, I WILL PUT MY
LAW IN THEIR INWARD PARTS, AND WRITE IT IN THEIR HEARTS;

AND WILL BE THEIR GOD (husband), AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE (wife).

(The Law God is talking about is His Torah, Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy which is God's teaching, His doctrine. How will God put it in their "hearts" and the word "heart" God is meaning their "mind" for understanding. After each one has repented of their sin and been baptized then God will give them His holy spirit and a new creation will begin to grow. By God teaching them and them living it, as you are doing today, they will begin to hunger and thirst after His teachings and they will grow to become like Him. Now the majority of the world does not know God; they think they do but they only know bits and pieces but there is no intimacy because they have not received God's spirit. This all happens after the 1000 year reign of Christ on this earth. Remember the Last Great Day pictures the 2nd resurrection; go to Leviticus 23 and the Last Great Day lesson and look up Ezekiel 37 and have someone read it and explain it to you for understanding.)

34AND THEY SHALL TEACH NO MORE EVERY MAN HIS NEIGHBOR, AND EVERY MAN HIS BROTHER, SAYING, KNOW THE LORD: FOR THEY SHALL ALL KNOW ME, FROM THE LEAST OF THEM UNTO THE GREATEST OF THEM, SAITH THE LORD: FOR I WILL FORGIVE THEIR INIQUITY, AND I WILL REMEMBER THEIR SIN NO MORE.

THE LAW GOD IS TALKING ABOUT IS THE TORAH, THE FIRST FIVE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE. SEE IF YOU CAN PUT THEM IN ORDER BELOW.

----- *CREATION AND ESTABLISHING
THE 7TH DAY SABBATH*

----- *THE PASSOVER IS IN THIS BOOK*

----- *GOD'S HOLY DAYS ARE IN THIS
BOOK*

----- *LEAVING FOR THE PROMISED LAND;
A LAND FLOWING WITH MILK AND HONEY*

----- *"AND THERE AROSE NOT A PROPHET
IN ISRAEL LIKE UNTO MOSES,
WHOM THE LORD KNEW FACE TO
FACE". CHAPTER 34:10*

LEVITICUS

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GENESIS

EXODUS

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JEREMIAH 31:33

*BUT THIS SHALL BE THE (marriage) COVENANT THAT I WILL
MAKE WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL; AFTER THOSE DAYS,
SAITH THE LORD, I WILL PUT MY LAW IN THEIR INWARD
PARTS, AND WRITE IT IN THEIR HEARTS (mind) AND WILL
BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE.*