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## Purified by Grace

Shalom,

The Torah portion found in **Leviticus 12:1–13:59**, which is called **Tazria (She conceives)**, contains teaching for God’s people on how they need to understand that which is *tamei*, or **ritually impure**. This condition is often referred to by Bible translators as “*uncleanness*.” It has to do with **contacting the realm of death** and **does not refer to being morally unclean**. Any person, at one time or another, may come into **situations that would render one to be unclean or disqualified from entry to the dwelling place of YHWH**. If we investigate these instructions carefully, we will understand that God desires that all may enter His presence, or His dwelling place. Our loving Heavenly Father, Who provided a Tabernacle to make a way for Him to dwell in the presence of mankind,, is not making it difficult for people to be near Him. He made a way to restore every person to a state which is *tahor*, or **ritually pure**. When we think of that which has to do with the term, *ritual*, we often think only of repetitive religious observances. Instead, YHWH, Who is a **God of order**, has given us a way to be “**in order**,” and **that is required for us to enter His awesome presence. Ritual, or God’s order** of purity, is made possible by the grace of God through Yeshua, the Messiah.

*For you are a people set apart as holy for ADONAI your God. ADONAI your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the face of the earth to be His own unique treasure. ADONAI didn't set His heart on you or choose you because you numbered more than any other people—on the contrary, you were the fewest of all peoples. Rather, it was **because ADONAI loved you**, and because He wanted to keep the oath which He had sworn to your ancestors, that ADONAI brought you out with a strong hand and redeemed you from a life of slavery under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. (Deuteronomy 7:6-8 CJB)*

***Set them apart for holiness by means of the truth—Your Word is truth.** (John 17:17 CJB)*

*Father, I want those You have given Me to be with Me where I am; so that they may see My glory, which You have given Me because You loved Me before the creation of the world. (John 17:24 CJB)*

*But if we are walking in the light, as He is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and **the blood of His Son Yeshua purifies us from all sin.** (1 John 1:7 CJB)*

*...even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it; That He might **sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word...**(Ephesians 5:25-26 KJV)*

This portion **gives instruction for restoring purity if we become defiled**, and even more, shows **how much the Father loves us and wants to protect us from anything that causes separation from Him. He wants to share His glory with us. This is His will to keep us as His treasured possession safe in His arms.**

*So you are to keep Bnei-Yisrael separate from their uncleanness, so they will not die in their uncleanness by defiling My Tabernacle that is in their midst. (Leviticus 15:31 TLV)*

When we consider **cleanness as it pertains to entering the presence of God**, and **uncleanness that deprives us of entering in**, or the principles of **light and darkness**, or choosing **life or death**, be diligent to know, focus, and understand that God **always desires to be with His children. He makes the way for us into perfect shalom.** He is the God of Light and Truth **disposed to show favor**, and **His covenants portray His will to pour out blessing** upon all who love Him and choose to walk in Him through trust in the cleansing blood of Yeshua the Messiah.

*ADONAI is merciful and compassionate, slow to anger and great in grace. ADONAI is good to all; His compassion rests on all His creatures. (Psalms 145:8-9 CJB)*

**We are a transformed people, the temple of the Living God.** The plan of the Father is now being revealed to all who will choose life and allow Him to reveal Himself in, and through, them and, just as **He required a ritually pure earthly Tabernacle**, He is using the Words of Torah and all Scripture to show us that by His Word, we may **walk in purity by the blood of Yeshua, and be empowered by His Holy Spirit to be His Dwelling Place here on this earth, and forever** set apart to the call of God, cleansed and ready to serve.

*Everyone who has this hope in Him **purifies himself**, just as He is pure. (1 John 3:3 TLV)*

*Therefore, let us confidently approach the throne from which God gives grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace in our time of need. (Hebrews 4:16 CJB)*

Ordered in Him,  
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