

Be Clean – Part XIII
Lev. 17:1-16

1. The _____ against Ritual _____ (vv. 1-9)
 - a. Offering sacrifices (shedding blood) outside the sanctuary was a fundamental _____ Israel's covenant with God and equivalent to being guilty of _____.
 - b. God describes offering sacrifices to idols as spiritual _____.
 - c. Idols degrade our humanity, _____ our reason, causing us to act in _____ ways that invariably lead to _____.
 - d. Contemporary cultural idols:
 - i. _____ – drugs and alcohol
 - ii. _____ – physical and emotional lust
 - iii. _____ – sexual autonomy
 - iv. _____ – approval
 - v. _____ – we gotta have more—and newer—stuff
 - vi. _____ – we worship ourselves
 - e. God prohibits ritual adultery for His _____ and for our _____.
2. The _____ of Blood for Spiritual _____ (vv. 10-16)
 - a. God set blood apart for _____.
 - b. Blood is symbolic for _____.
 - c. Life is the _____ to death.
 - d. _____ the blood of Christ is the basis for some of the harshest _____ to church people in all of Scripture (Heb. 10:26-31; 1 Cor. 6:9-11)
 - e. We celebrate the body and blood of Christ every time we receive the _____.

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1. The Prohibition against Ritual Adultery (vv. 1-9)
 - a. Offering sacrifices (shedding blood) outside the sanctuary was a fundamental breach Israel's covenant with God and equivalent to being guilty of murder.
 - b. God describes offering sacrifices to idols as spiritual prostitution.
 - c. Idols degrade our humanity, deconstruct our reason, causing us to act in dehumanizing ways that invariably lead to death.
 - d. Contemporary cultural idols:
 - i. Pleasure – drugs and alcohol
 - ii. Pornography – physical and emotional lust
 - iii. Promiscuity – sexual autonomy
 - iv. People – approval
 - v. Possessions – we gotta have more—and newer—stuff
 - vi. Pride – we worship ourselves
 - e. God prohibits ritual adultery for His glory and for our good.
2. The Sanctity of Blood for Spiritual Purity (vv. 10-16)
 - a. God set blood apart for atonement.
 - b. Blood is symbolic for life.
 - c. Life is the antidote to death.
 - d. Dishonoring the blood of Christ is the basis for some of the harshest warnings to church people in all of Scripture (Heb. 10:26-31; 1 Cor. 6:9-11)
 - e. We celebrate the body and blood of Christ every time we receive the Lord's Supper.