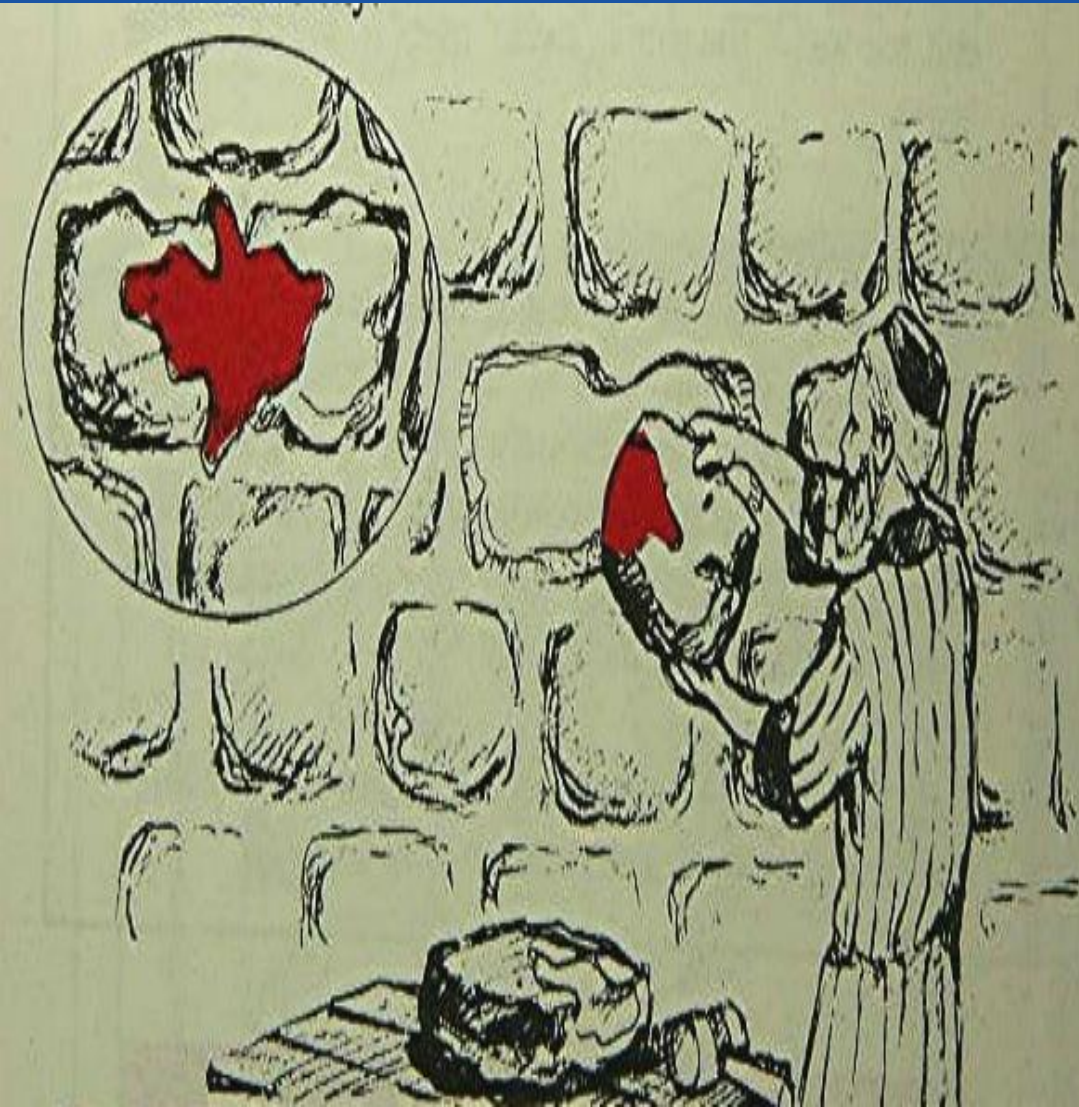
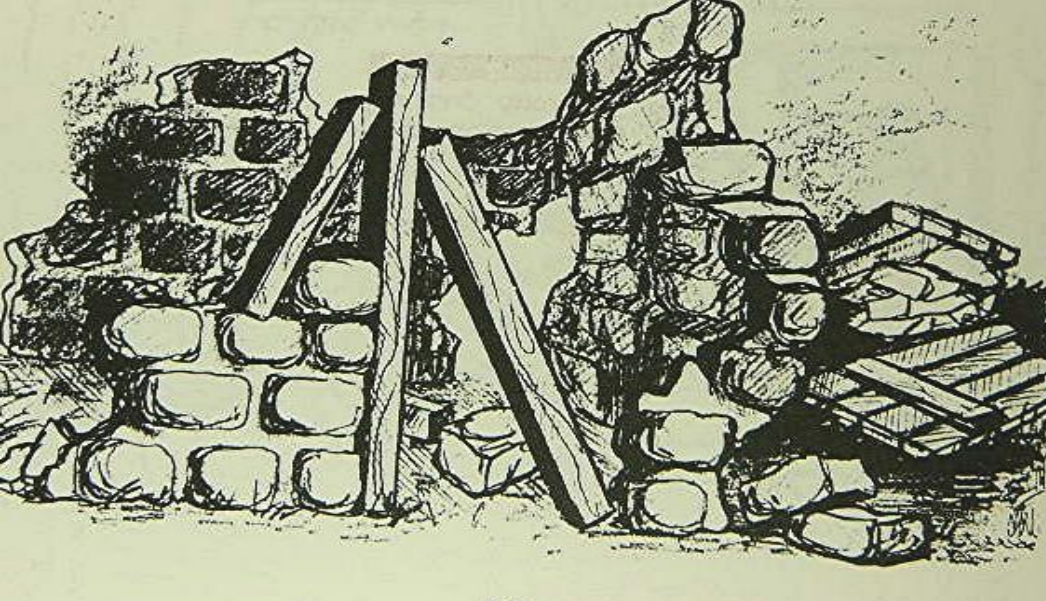
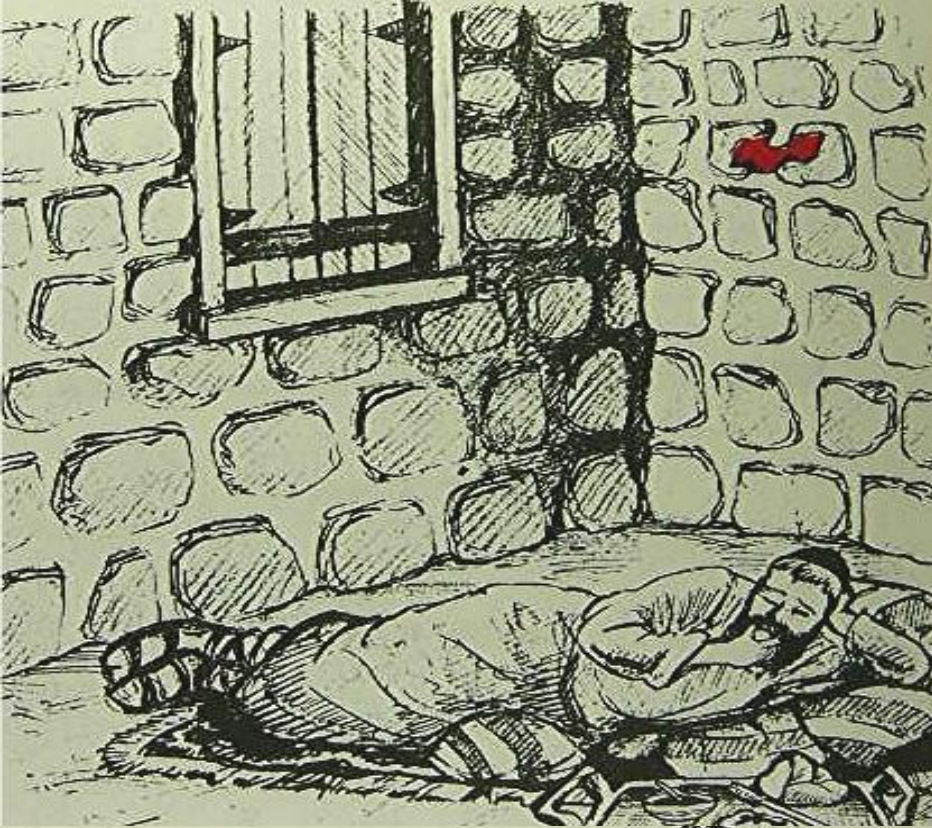


TZARA'AT ON A HOUSE



- It is a direct act of God
- Greenish or reddish discoloration
- Priest makes determination
- House quarantined for 7 days
- Infected stones must be removed and replaced



- House must be destroyed if infection returns and spreads
- All diseased mud-plaster and stones taken outside the camp to an unclean place
- If someone enters a Tzara'at infected house, person becomes **UNCLEAN**
- Not serious
- Only unclean until sunset

TZARA'AT PURIFICATION RITUALS SAME FOR A HOUSE OR A PERSON



- *Nega* = the discoloration
- *Nega* must be the size of two “*grissin*” (about the size of a penny) to be Tzara’at on the skin (double that for house)
- **PATTERN IS SAME FOR ALL TZARA’AT**
- Living water, hyssop, two birds, cedar wood, scarlet
- **NO SACRIFICES** needed because house does not need to be made “holy”

DOES TZARA'AT STILL HAPPEN?

- In general, Rabbis say it does NOT
- Reason is that there is no Temple and no Priesthood to discern Tzara'at nor officiate over the rituals
- It is thought that Tzara'at DOES afflict the soul
- If one dies in this state, his unclean soul does not allow him to go the place of the righteous dead

LEVITICUS CHAPTER 15

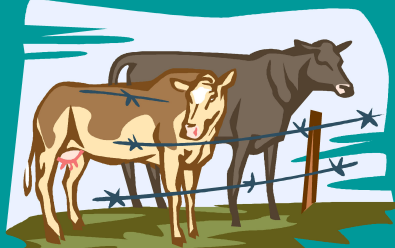


- Chapters 11 – 15 present the **NECESSITY** for Yom Kippur
- Yom Kippur is about cleansing the Tabernacle
- **UNCLEAN AND SINFUL are not synonyms**

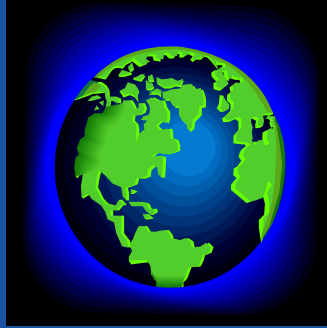
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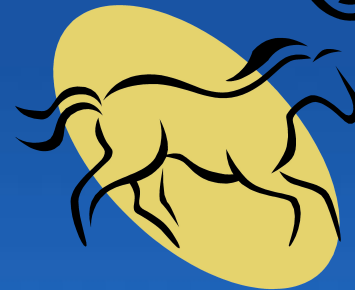
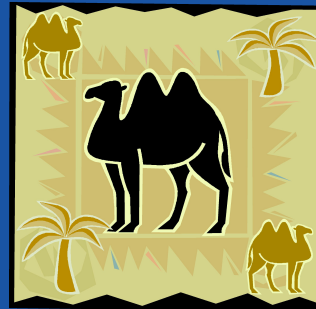
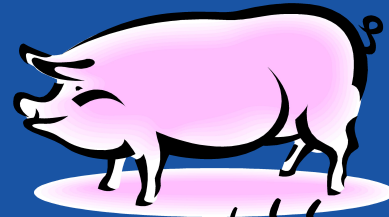
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UNCLEAN



OUTSIDE THE CAMP



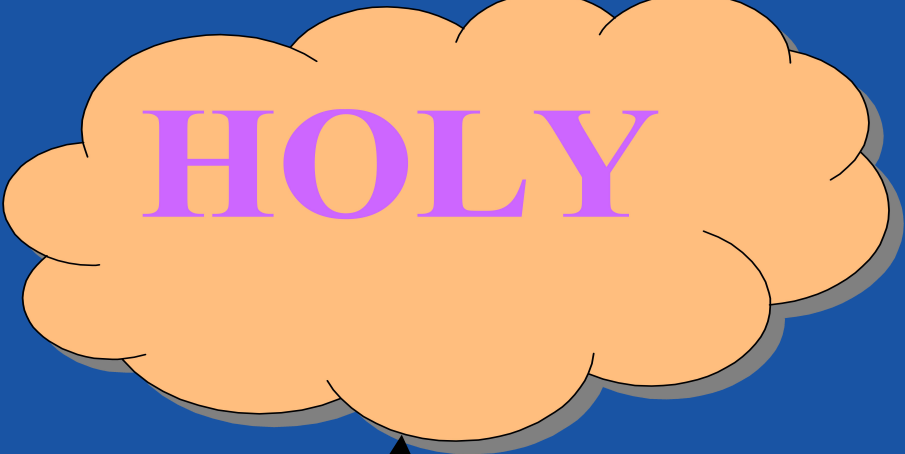
CLEAN AND UNCLEAN IS NOT ABOUT GOOD vs. BAD, RATHER IT IS A DECISION MADE BY YEHOVEH

- This pattern is carried out through the 5 chapters (11 – 15)
- Mother giving birth, woman entering monthly cycle, touching a dead body.....What is the Sin? There is none.
- Acceptable (kosher) foods NOT good foods while unacceptable foods are bad foods.
- Acceptable sacrificial animals NOT good animals, while unacceptable ones are bad.

SAME PRINCIPLE AND PATTERN AS “ELECTION”

- Are YOU inherently better than another?
- Did you BEHAVE better than another?
- An extension of the pattern for “clean and unclean”
- If a Believer sins, do we become unclean? NO!
- A Believer can NOT be unclean





NEVER!



POSSIBLE



NOT ALL UNCLEANNESS IS THE SAME

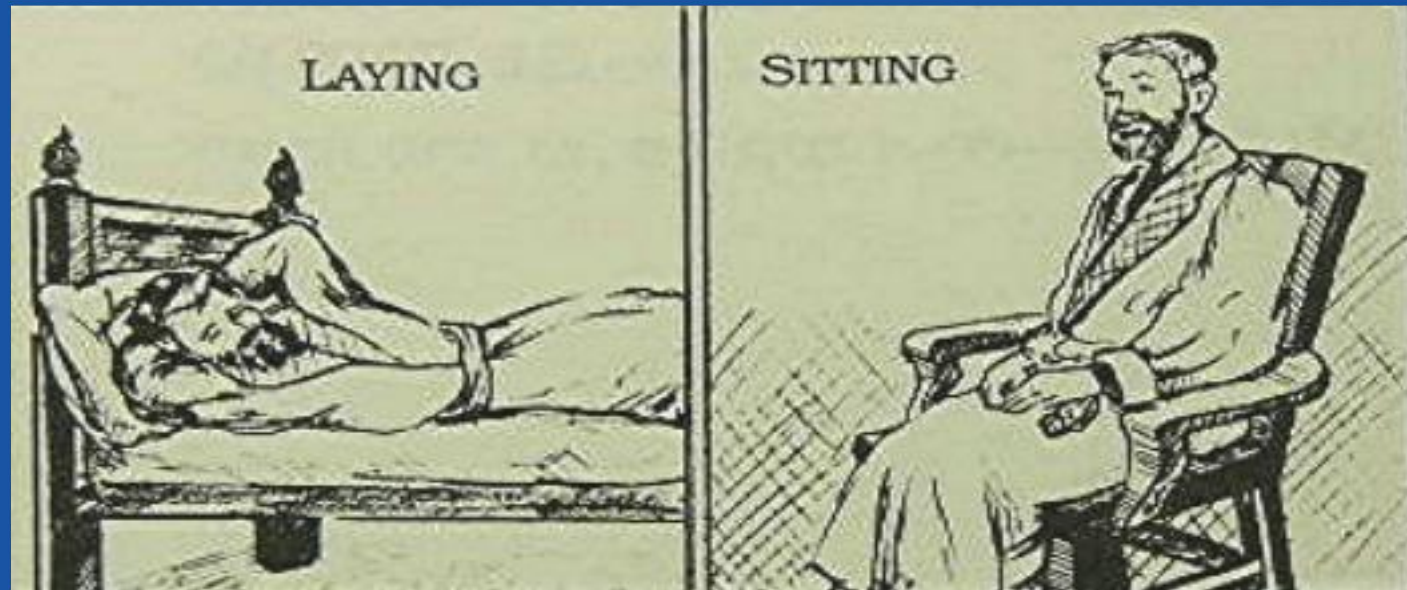
- Degrees of uncleanness
- Permanent, temporary, direct Divine punishment, natural bodily function
- Extensiveness of purity ritual depends on the degree of uncleanness

FIRST 18 VERSES ABOUT MALES



- Basar = flesh, body
- Here “basar” is a euphemism for the male organ
- First to be discussed is an **ABNORMAL** discharge
- Makes a man unclean
- Can be transmitted to his bedding

PERSON WHO TOUCHES UNCLEAN ITEM BECOMES A CARRIER



- Man with a discharge more infectious than with Tzara'at
- Touching a man with a discharge transmits uncleanness
- Spitting transmits uncleanness
- Man with a discharge a less SERIOUS condition than a man with Tzara'at
- A wash and a wait typically suffices to purify

Vs. 11 SHOWS THAT WASHING HANDS PREVENTS TRANSMISSION OF UNCLEANNES BY TOUCH

- How can a Believer contact “unclean” but not BECOME unclean?
- We’re commanded to seek out the unclean
- We’re commanded NOT to join with the unclean
- Different “uncleannesses” with differing consequences
- Living water a protective and cleansing barrier to uncleanness



DOES THIS MEAN UNCLEANNESS IS NOW ABOLISHED?

- **NO!**
- Yeshua did NOT abolish uncleanness from the world, but He will in His next coming!
- As holy people we are to **AVOID** unclean things, except where demonstrating Christ's love takes precedence



NO REQUIREMENT TO BE BARRED FROM HOME OR FAMILY

- Steps to regaining purity rather mild
- Wait 7 days after discharge stops, and then bathe self and wash clothing
- Two birds are sacrificed at the Tabernacle
- One bird is for the Hatta'at, and other for the 'Olah
- Hata'at done FIRST. Only AFTER man is clean can he do Hatta'at, which restores him to Holiness
- 'Olah is a kind of "thank-you"

A WAIT AND A WASH

MIKVAH (RITUAL BATH) LOCATED NEAR QUMRAN



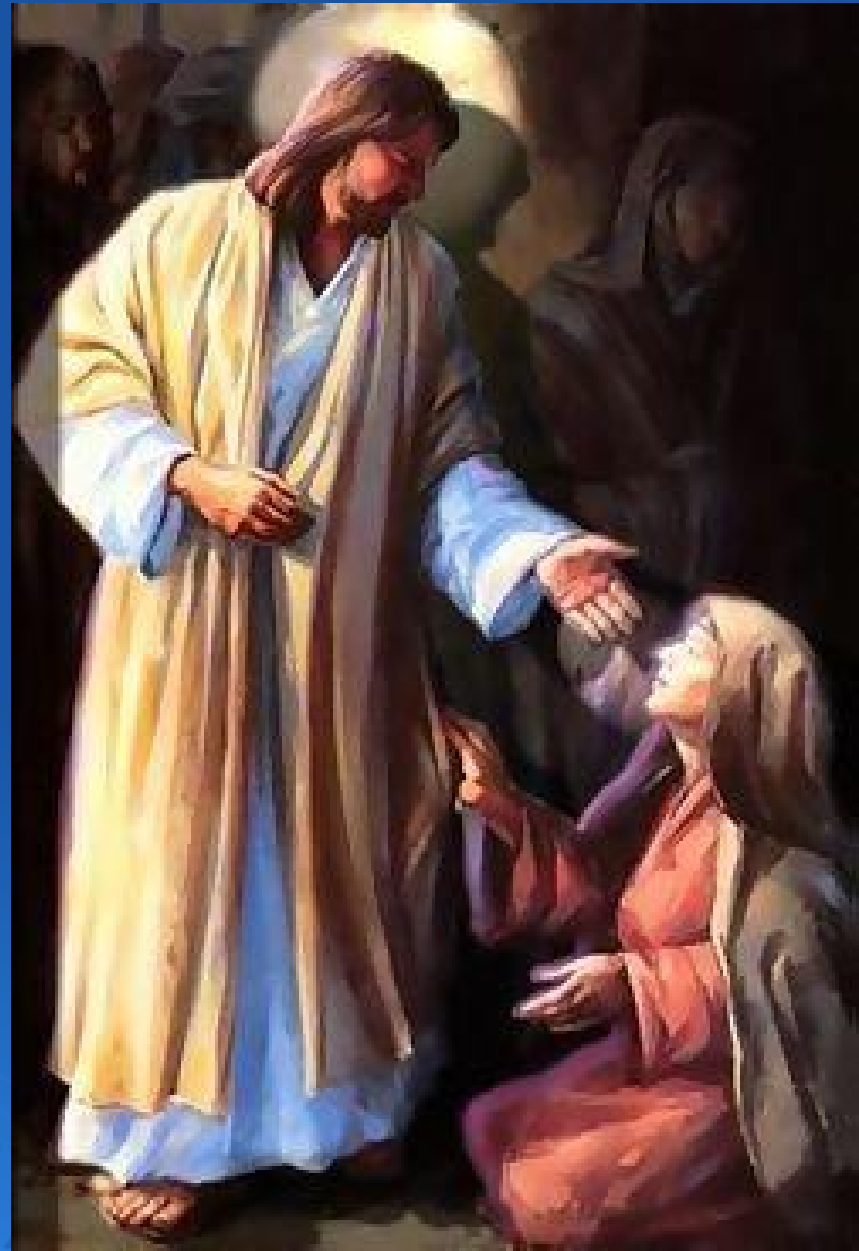
- Man and wife in a very mild state of unclean after relations
- Neither can participate in religious practices
- Man cannot go to war that day
- Mikvah usually filled with regular water plus a small amount of “Living Water”
- Man with ABNORMAL discharge had to bathe in 100% *mayim chayim*
- Demonstrates various levels of uncleanness

VS. 19 FEMALE DISCHARGES

- Woman's monthly cycle
- Unclean for 7 days Hebrew = *niddah*
- Touching a woman in *niddah* transmits the uncleanness
- Average adult woman in Bible Times did NOT have a regular period
- Often she was pregnant and nursing children and had many children
- Generally only young unmarried girls had regular monthly cycles

VS. 25 ABNORMAL DISCHARGES

- A woman with an abnormal discharge is UNCLEAN until it is cured
- Woman could not touch, or be touched, by ANYONE
- Mark 5:22-34 Jesus heals woman with 12 year discharge
- She could have been excommunicated for touching a Rabbi, even executed
- She risked everything, because she had faith!



YESHUA WOULD HAVE BECOME UNCLEAN!

- This is an example of how a Believer can touch uncleanness, but *not* be made unclean because Yeshua is the Living Water (*mayim chayim*) that purifies from uncleanness.
- The woman was healed, so she would have to:
 - 1) Perform Hatta'at using a bird
 - 2) Perform 'Olah using a 2nd bird

WHY no ritual bath mentioned? Possibly because it was a “given”

RSV Leviticus 15:31 "Thus you shall keep the people of Israel separate from their uncleanness, lest they die in their uncleanness by defiling my tabernacle that is in their midst."

