

Torah of The Leper's Day of His Cleansing & Leprosy In A House

Leviticus 13:59-14:57

Reading Questions

1. What happens to stones with the plague in them?

Reading Answers

1. They are thrown outside the city into an unclean place (Leviticus 14:40). Interestingly, the dust is even scraped off and poured out into an unclean place (Leviticus 14:41). This reminds me of Matthew 10:14, Mark 6:11, and Luke 9:5.

Reading Notes

- We can see that the one who is poor is permitted to bring a different offering based upon what he is able to afford (Leviticus 14:21 and following verses). This is another example of how the law of **יהוה** is the law that teaches us about mercy. **יהוה** has chosen the poor of the world (James 2:5) and shows compassion towards the poor. He does not favor people more just because they are rich. This matches with what **יהושע** said in Matthew 23:23 and Luke 11:42 about how compassion and love are part of the laws (Torah) of **יהוה**. If we want to learn how to be compassionate, the laws of **יהוה** will help us do just that.
- We can see that the stones with the plague are thrown out into an unclean place if the plague spreads. Similarly, we are stones in the spiritual house (1 Peter 2:5), and we do not want to enable bitterness, envy, strife, evil speech or anything else unclean that harms the body of Mashiach to spread. Just as the stones were removed and thrown into an unclean place, there are warnings given to us also so that we are not found outside the door knocking, and are not thrown into the same place as the unclean, receiving the same punishment. **יהוה** wants His house to be clean. Also, the stones being replaced by other stones reminds me of Romans 11 which speaks of the wild branches not boasting against the natural branches, pointing out that if they were not spared we might not be either, unless we continue in His kindness.

Related Verses

Leprosy: Leviticus 12-13, Deuteronomy 24:8, 2 Kings 5:3-27, 2 Chronicles 26:19-21, Matthew 8:3, Mark 1:42, Luke 5:12-13

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Weightier Matters of Law: Matthew 23:23, Luke 11:42

Living Stones: 1 Peter 2:5

Branches Cut Off: Matthew 7:19, Luke 3:9, John 15:6, Romans 11

Shaking Dust off Feet: Matthew 10:14, Mark 6:11, Luke 9:5