

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASS

October 21, 2026

Leviticus 18:24-30

Introduction:

1. Sexual immorality is devastating on relationships. (cf. Matt. 19.9)
2. In Leviticus 18.22, God addresses same-sex relationships.
 - a) “Male” is the common word for the male gender (cf. Gen. 1.27; Rom. 1.26,27)
 - b) While it is condemned today, forgiveness is offered to all. (Jude 7; 1 Cor. 6.9-11)
3. The laws of God concerning sexual immorality carried severe consequences.

I. CONDEMNATION

- A. Sexual immorality is universal.
 1. **Leviticus 18.24:** “*...for by all these the nations are defiled*”
 2. Proper sexual conduct is not limited to Israel. (Rom. 1.18,28-32; 2.1,17)
- B. The Condition:
 1. **Leviticus 18.24,25:** Six times in our text, the word “defile(d)” is used.
 2. Defile (tame): To be unclean. (2 Pet. 2.20-22)
 - a) The spread of contamination. (Num. 35.33,34; 1 Cor. 5.6)
 - b) Being defiled, they were cast out. (Rom. 4.17; Deut. 9.4; 4.25-27)

II. CONTRAST

- A. Israel is called to be different from the nations.
 1. There is a positive contrast. This is what we do.
 - a) **Leviticus 18.26:** “*You shall therefore keep My statutes...*” (cf. Lev. 24.22)
 - b) How would Israel be different? (Lev. 18.3-5; Eph. 4.17; 1 Pet. 4.1-4)
 2. There is a negative contrast. This is what we do not do.
 - a) **Leviticus 18.26:** “*you shall not commit any of these abominations...*”
 - b) **Leviticus 18.27:** “*who were before you.*” Lit., who were in front of you.
- B. The Cause:
 1. Four times in our text, the word “abomination” is used.
 2. The Abomination (to’eba): Detestable. The poison that caused the pollution.

III. CONSEQUENCES

- A. The consequence was personal.
 1. **Leviticus 18.29:** “*For whoever commits any of these abominations*”
 2. **Leviticus 18.29:** “*the persons who commit them shall be cut off*”
 3. **Leviticus 18.30:** “*abominable customs.*” Lit., statutes of abominations.
 4. **Leviticus 18.30:** “*I am the LORD your God*”
- B. The Cure:
 1. **Leviticus 18.28:** “*lest the land vomit you out also when you defile it*”
 2. Vomit (qi): To spew out, to be sick.