

Clean and Unclean Foods

When? Why?

From the WORD of YHWH.

- YHWH gave all moving creeping things to Noah for food.

Gen 9:2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.

Gen 9:3 **Every moving thing**⁷⁴³¹ **that liveth shall be meat for you;** even as the green herb have I given you all things.

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Total KJV Occurrences: 17

moving thing, 1

Gen 9:3

creeping, 15

Gen 1:24, Gen 1:26, Gen 6:7, Gen 6:20, Gen 7:14, Gen 7:23, Gen 8:17, Gen 8:19, 1Ki 4:33, Psa 104:25, Eze 8:10 (2), Eze 38:20, Hos 2:18, Hab 1:14

creepeth, 1

Gen 1:25

BDB Definition:

1) creeping things, moving things, creeping organism

1a) creeping things

1b) gliding things (of sea animals)

1c) moving things (of all animals)

Part of Speech: noun masculine collective

A Related Word by BDB/Strong's Number: from H7430

Same Word by TWOT Number: 2177a

Absolutely no distinction between clean and unclean living beings for food but the BLOOD was prohibited. This is a very important note. This is why it was still prohibited in the New Testament and still is today.

[Act 15:28](#) For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater than these necessary things;

[Act 15:29](#) That ye **abstain** from meats offered to idols, and **from blood**, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well.
Fare ye well.

[Gen 9:4](#) But flesh with the life thereof, **which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.**

[Gen 9:5](#) And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man.

The When and Why of the unclean food.

Because the people would not hear YHWH on Mt Sinai

[Exo 20:18](#) And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw *it*, they removed, and stood afar off.

[Exo 20:19](#) And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.

YHWH wanted to be their GOD, HE wanted them to hear Him with their ears and receive HIS word into their hearts, but they would not! So Moses had to be a mediator which was never intended.

So at Moses' request:

[Exodus 33:16](#) For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with us? **so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.**

[Exodus 33:17](#) And the LORD said unto Moses, **I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken:** for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.

YHWH made them physically and carnally a separate people gave them statues that were not good and judgments **whereby** they should not live - It was to TEST them in many things to see if they would OBEY!

[Leviticus 20:22](#) Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue you not out.

[Leviticus 20:23](#) And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them.

[Leviticus 20:24](#) But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I am the LORD your God, which have separated you from other people.

Leviticus 20:25 Ye shall **therefore** put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, **which I have separated from you as unclean.**

Leviticus 20:26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD am holy, **and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.**

Eze 20:16 Because they **despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my sabbaths:** for their heart went after their idols.

Eze 20:25 Wherefore I gave them also statutes *that were* not good, and judgments whereby they should not live;

Eze 20:26 And I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through *the fire* all that openeth the womb, that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know that I *am* the LORD.

In order to make them a separate people and separate them from the world, since they would not do it spiritually GOD made it a physical separation with added statutes and judgments which were hard to bear and put in bondage and of these were the food laws.

Gal 4:22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.

Gal 4:23 But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman *was* by promise.

Gal 4:24 Which things are an allegory: **for these are the two covenants;** the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to, which is Agar.

Gal 4:25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

Gal 4:26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.

The 2 covenants.. The Book of Moses and the Spirit of Christ Jesus, Yeshua Messiah both governing the same thing, this SIN within us as pointed out by the [10 Commandments](#) or 10 Words of GOD which the people refused to hear and which are to day to be written upon the fleshly tables of our hearts.

- Hence as one of the acts of separation... things became unclean for food.

Lev 20:24 But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I *am* the LORD your God, **which have separated you from other people.**

Note in the next verse "ye shall ****THEREFORE**** ["for this reason"...] put a difference between clean and unclean beasts". This is **when** it happened, not before. **And why?** Because GOD had separated them from other people, physically.

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And now that wall of separation between Israel and gentiles has been destroyed.

Eph 2:14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

Again WHY?

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Nothing is unclean of itself and for Noah a righteous man nothing was unclean for food. Paul understood this as he was persuaded by Yeshua that nothing was unclean of itself.

Rom 14:14 I know, and am persuaded by the Lord Jesus, **that *there is nothing unclean of itself:*** but to him that esteemeth any thing to be unclean, to him *it is* unclean.

Rom 14:1 Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, *but* not to doubtful disputations.

Rom 14:2 For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, **who is weak, eateth herbs.**

Rom 14:3 Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and **let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth:** for God hath received him.

Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Yeshua was very clear about this issue.. and commented on the extreme lack of understanding on the part of the people.

Mark 7:18 And he saith unto them, **Are ye so without understanding also?** Do ye not perceive, that ***WHATSOEVER*** thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him;

Mark 7:19 Because **it entereth not into his heart**, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?

WHATSOEVER a very strong word.

G3956 πᾶς pas pas

Including all the forms of declension; apparently a primary word; *all, any, every*, the *whole*: - all (manner of, means) always (-s), any (one), X daily, + ever, every (one, way), as many as, + no (-thing), X throughly, whatsoever, whole, whosoever.

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all, 975 every, 168 whosoever, 37 no, 14 whole, 12 any, 10 whatsoever, 10 always, 5 man, 3

daily, 2 nothing, 2 one, 2 alway, 1 ever, 1 thoroughly, 1 where, 1 whomsoever, 1

So therefore from the mouth of the Son of God all things eaten or drank as food (this does not include alcohol, or drugs) will not defile a man or make him unclean.

Conclusion:

To those living in spirit there is nothing unclean for food. To **not eat** is OK and it will not hurt your soul, **to eat** is OK and it will not hurt your soul. But be very careful how you judge in these matters and do not lay a stumbling block or un-needed burden on anyone.

Heb 9:8 The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:

Heb 9:9 Which *was* a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, **that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience;**

Heb 9:10 Which stood **only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation.**

Ecc 12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter:
Fear God, and keep his **commandments**: for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.

Ecc 12:14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil.

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