Week 8, One Year Bible Challenge: “Clean vs. Unclean”

Christ the Rock Community Church, Saturday Morning Men’s Bible Study

The Raising of Jairus’ Daughter (1889), by Edwin Long

This week’s reading February 19 to 25[1. If you are participating in the Saturday morning class, *“The One Year Bible Challenge,”* you should read the daily materials as set out in *“The One Year Bible.”* The verses listed on this page will include a couple of extra days each week.]
Leviticus 7:28-18:30
Mark 3:31-8:10
Psalm 37:12-41:13
Proverbs 10:5-16

Next Week’s Reading February 26 to March 4
Leviticus 19:1-Numbers 51
Mark 8:11-12:17
Psalm 42:1-47:9
Proverbs 10:17-25

Discussion Questions:

Old Testament

1. Why did God give the Israelites so many rules about "clean" and "unclean" animals? Are the rules completely arbitrary, or is there a pattern or reason behind the classifications? Leviticus 11
2. What are we to make of the prohibition against eating blood? Leviticus 17:10-14.
3. Chapter 18 of Leviticus contains a number of prohibited sexual practices. Does God and/or modern society still forbid these practices? Should Christians accept these practices if polls show the majority of Americans favor lifting the restrictions? Leviticus 18:5-30.

New Testament

1. Is the purpose of the parables to convey the truth? Or to hide the truth? Or both? Or neither? Mark 4:10-12.
2. Is demon possession in the Bible really just the ancient misunderstanding of mental illness? If not, how do we distinguish between the aberrant behavior caused by mental illness vs. demon possession? Mark 5:1-20.
3. Imagine you were Jairus, and Jesus brought your child back to life. How do you think you would feel? Why did Jesus tell the people standing by to give the girl something to eat? Mark 5:21-23, 35-43

Links to Discussion Notes **(All notes are the same. *CLICK* on the link to your preferred format)**:

- PDF (recommended)
- HTML
- ODT (Open Document Text)
- DOC (MS Word)

FOOTNOTE: