

Timeline of Truth: God's Instruction Concerning Uncleaness (Numbers 19)

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<p>Numbers 19:1 Now the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, ² "This <i>is</i> the ordinance of the law which the LORD has commanded, saying: 'Speak to the children of Israel, that they bring you a red heifer without blemish, in which there <i>is</i> no defect <i>and</i> on which a yoke has never come. ³ 'You shall give it to Eleazar the priest, that he may take it outside the camp, and it shall be slaughtered before him; ⁴ 'and Eleazar the priest shall take some of its blood with his finger, and sprinkle some of its blood seven times directly in front of the tabernacle of meeting. ⁵ 'Then the heifer shall be burned in his sight: its hide, its flesh, its blood, and its offal shall be burned. ⁶ 'And the priest shall take cedar wood and hyssop and scarlet, and cast <i>them</i> into the midst of the fire burning the heifer.</p>	<p>1. The _____ for Uncleaness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. A red heifer is to be sacrificed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without blemish • No defect • Never been yoked b. It is sacrificed outside the camp c. The blood is sprinkled 7 times in front of the tabernacle. d. The whole heifer is burned. e. The heifer is burned with specific items.
<p>⁷ 'Then the priest shall wash his clothes, he shall bathe in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp; the priest shall be unclean until evening. ⁸ 'And the one who burns it shall wash his clothes in water, bathe in water, and shall be unclean until evening.</p>	<p>2. The Priest's _____ of Uncleaness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. He needs to wash himself and his clothes b. He will be unclean until evening c. The same applies for the one who burns the heifer.
<p>⁹ 'Then a man <i>who is</i> clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer, and store <i>them</i> outside the camp in a clean place; and they shall be kept for the congregation of the children of Israel for the water of purification; it <i>is</i> for purifying from sin. ¹⁰ 'And the one who gathers the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until evening. It shall be a statute forever to the children of Israel and to the stranger who dwells among them.</p>	<p>3. The _____ for Cleansing</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. One who is clean must gather them (not the priest or the one who burns the heifer). b. The ashes are kept for the water of purification c. The one gathering the ashes becomes unclean until evening – he must wash his clothes d. This is a forever statute for Israel
<p>¹¹ ' He who touches the dead body of anyone shall be unclean seven days. ¹² 'He shall purify himself with the water on the third day and on the seventh day; <i>then</i> he will be clean. But if he does not purify himself on the third day and on the seventh day, he will not be clean. ¹³ 'Whoever touches the body of anyone who has died, and does not purify himself, defiles the tabernacle of the LORD. That person shall be cut off from Israel. He shall be unclean, because the water of purification was not sprinkled on him; his uncleaness <i>is</i> still on him.</p>	<p>4. The _____ of Uncleaness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Anyone who touches a _____ is unclean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He must purify himself • If he does not he will be unclean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He will defile the tabernacle • He will be cut off from Israel • His uncleaness will remain
<p>¹⁴ ' This <i>is</i> the law when a man dies in a tent: All who come into the tent and all who <i>are</i> in the tent shall be unclean seven days; ¹⁵ 'and every open vessel, which has no cover fastened on it, <i>is</i> unclean.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> b. All who _____ the tent of someone who has died. c. All _____ in the tent are also unclean
<p>¹⁶ 'Whoever in the open field touches one who is slain by a sword or who has died, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> d. All who touch someone who has died in an _____ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Someone who is slain • Someone who has died • A bone of a man • A grave

<p>¹⁷ 'And for an unclean <i>person</i> they shall take some of the ashes of the heifer burnt for purification from sin, and running water shall be put on them in a vessel. ¹⁸ 'A clean person shall take hyssop and dip <i>it</i> in the water, sprinkle <i>it</i> on the tent, on all the vessels, on the persons who were there, or on the one who touched a bone, the slain, the dead, or a grave. ¹⁹ 'The clean <i>person</i> shall sprinkle the unclean on the third day and on the seventh day; and on the seventh day he shall purify himself, wash his clothes, and bathe in water; and at evening he shall be clean.</p>	<p>5. The _____ of Cleansing</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The ashes are combined with running water Running waters – “Waters alive” The water is sprinkled on the unclean thing or person with hyssop. This is done on the third and seventh day of their uncleanness On the seventh day he shall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purify himself (with the water) • Wash his clothes • Bathe
<p>²⁰ ' But the man who is unclean and does not purify himself, that person shall be cut off from among the assembly, because he has defiled the sanctuary of the LORD. The water of purification has not been sprinkled on him; he <i>is</i> unclean. ²¹ 'It shall be a perpetual statute for them.</p>	<p>6. The _____ of Uncleanness If he does not purify himself:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> He shall be cut off from among the assembly He has defiled the sanctuary of the Lord It shall be a perpetual state for him Lit. “eternal statute” עוֹלָם - <i>olam</i> – <i>eternal, forever</i>
<p>He who sprinkles the water of purification shall wash his clothes; and he who touches the water of purification shall be unclean until evening.</p>	<p>7. The _____ Uncleanness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The one who sprinkles the water The one who touches the water They are unclean until evening
<p>²² 'Whatever the unclean <i>person</i> touches shall be unclean; and the person who touches <i>it</i> shall be unclean until evening.' "</p>	<p>8. The _____ of Uncleanness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The uncleanness transfers to everything the unclean person touches The uncleanness of the things which are touched transfers to all who touch them They are unclean until evening.