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### **The Dietary LAW**

Who gave Moses "The Dietary Law"? We will do a strange work which is seldom done today. We will allow the scripture to be our guide to answer that question, along with a few others that need to be addressed. After finding out who gave this law to Moses, we should have no problem following it, if we call ourselves Christians. Remember brothers and sisters Jesus, states in Matthew 5 and verse 18, "**For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.**" We still have the heavens and the earth, correct? Those things indicate that the Lord's law still remains in tact. Those that read the Bible know that all has not been fulfilled, so His laws and statutes must be kept. In addition, we must also look at verses that some individuals think the subject in that particular verse or chapter is dealing with the "Dietary Law" when in fact has nothing to do with it. Those individuals try to use Paul's writings to come to that conclusion. (As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are **unlearned and unstable wrest**, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction. II Peter 3:16) The unquestionable fact is that the law of sacrifice was nailed to the cross, which was our schoolmaster to bring us onto Christ. Now, let's see who gave the "Dietary Law" to Moses and the rest of the Children of Israel.

**And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron**, saying unto them, "Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, these are the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth." (Leviticus 11:1-2)

So, who spoke unto Moses and Aaron? The LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying, "These are the beasts which ye shall eat." Was this the Father? Well, let's allow the book show us. Take a Look at this verse in St. John chapter one.

**No man hath seen God at any time**; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him. (John 1:18)

Note the verse says, "No man hath seen God at any time." So, that covers all time correct? If no man has seen God at anytime who is this?

And he said unto Moses, "**Come up unto the LORD**, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off." (Exodus 24:1)

We see in the above verse, Moses, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu and seventy of the elders were told to come up unto the Lord and worship. Let's skip to the 9th verse and see what happen when these 74 Israelites arrive on top of the mount.

Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel: **And they saw the God of Israel**: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire

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stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: **also they saw God, and did eat and drink.** (Exodus 24:9-11)

Clearly the verse states, "**They saw the God of Israel.**" The verse doesn't say it was a vision. But, St. John chapter one states, "No man has seen God at anytime." Before we return to the Book of John and find out which God no man has seen at anytime, note what the next verse states.

And the LORD said unto Moses, "Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them." (Exodus 24:12)

So who wrote the Law that Moses was instructed to teach? The LORD! Now, let's find out which God is it that has not been seen. Take note!

**And the Father himself**, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. **Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.** (John 5:37)

So, who is the God that hasn't been seen? **The Father himself, ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.** Now, let's see who this God is that the seventy four elders saw in mount Horeb. Let's go to I Corinthians the tenth chapter and start at verse one.

Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual **Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.** (I Corinthians 10:1-4)

So, who was the God in the Mountain that gave Moses the Law? That God was **CHRIST!** Let's return to the fifth chapter of John and see who's name Christ came in.

**I am come in my Father's name** and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive. (John 5:43)

So, you see brothers and sister "**Jesus**" in the Fathers name. I would be real careful when it comes to the name of Jesus. Now we see that Jesus Christ is the God that gave the commandments to Moses. We should have no problem doing what He says if we call ourselves followers of Christ. Before we look at the dietary law, let's look at a few verses that those who are unlearned in the scripture try to use to do away with the Lord's dietary law. Pay close attention to what's being said.

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Then came to Jesus the Scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying, “Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? **for they wash not their hands when they eat bread.**” (Matthew 15:1-2)

Note what verse the states, "they wash not their hands when they eat bread." We see the subject is, eating without washing hands correct? Note something else in the above verse. The Pharisees asked Jesus, “**Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders?**” Note the Lord's response;

**But he answered and said unto them, “Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition? For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death. But ye say, whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; and honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.”** (Matthew 15: 3-6)

The Pharisees followed their own tradition as a substitute to the commandments of God. Note what Jesus says next.

Ye hypocrites, well did Esaiah prophesy of you, saying, “This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.” (Matthew 15:7-9)

The Pharisees of today (meaning the preachers) teach the doctrine of men, by making statements such as, "We are not under the law we are under grace." Not knowing which law we are no longer under. Therefore their flocks are ever learning, meaning not coming to the true faith. Thus they worship the Lord in vain. Let's cut to the chase, and see if the passage above has anything to do with doing away with dietary law.

And he called the multitude, and said unto them, “Hear, and understand: Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; **but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.**”(Matthew 15:10-11)

So what is this that comes out of men's mouths that defiles them? Let's skip to the 15th verse and see is the Lord doing away with His dietary law.

Then answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable. And Jesus said, “Are ye also yet without understanding? Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the

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things which defile a man: **but to eat with unwashed hands defileth not a man.**" (Matthew 15:15-20).

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Acts chapter 10 is another part of the Bible that some individuals attempt to use to avoid the dietary law. Let's start at the first verse.

There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band, a devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God always. He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius. And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, "What is it, Lord?" And he said unto him, "Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God. And now send men to Joppa, and call for one Simon, whose surname is Peter" (Acts 10:1-5)

The angel of the Lord could have told Cornelius all he needed to know about the Lord, but that would have broken the protocol of God. The word of God is in the hands of Israel and can only be taught by the sons of Jacob (Israel). That's why the angel sent Cornelius, which was a son of Japheth (Gentile), to Peter the Israelite. Cornelius sent two of his servant to find Peter. The Lord prepares Peter before the two servants arrived. Let's skip down to the 9th verse.

On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:

And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance, And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth: Wherein were all manner of four-footed beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air. And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat. But Peter said, "Not so, Lord; for I have **never** eaten any thing that is **common or unclean.**" (Acts 10: 9-14)

Peter was on the house top and became very hungry, correct? And the Lord showed Peter all different types four footed beasts, creeping things, and fowls of the air. The Lord told Peter kill and eat, correct? But, what was Peter's responds? "Not so, Lord; for I have **never** eaten any thing that is **common or unclean.**" This vision was shown to Peter three times. Note what the 17th verse states.

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Now while Peter **doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean**, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made inquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate, (Acts 10:17)

Peter knew that the vision had a deeper meaning. So, what was the Lord trying to show Peter? Let's see what Peter's vision was all about.

And the morrow after they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends. And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped him. But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man. And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together. (Acts 10:24-27)

Pay very close attention to the next verse!

And he said unto them, "Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath **showed** me that I should not call any **man** common or unclean." (Acts 10:28)

So, was the Lord telling Peter its okay to eat things that are common or unclean? No! The verse states, "**I should not call any man common or unclean.**" Peter now understood the purpose of the vision, which was the allowance of the Gentiles into the church of God that was set up by Moses in the wilderness. Now that we see Acts chapter ten has nothing to do with the "Dietary law", let's take a look at another set of verse that individuals attempt to use to do away with the Lord's dietary law.

Let's take a look at Romans the 14th chapter. Let's see if this chapter is actually giving us permission to eat anything that moves or is meat and drink used as illustrating tool to make a point. We will begin at verse one.

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

He that is weak in the faith? Hmm? How's an individuals faith increase? Take note;

So then **faith cometh by hearing**, and hearing by the word of God. (Romans 10:17)

Therefore by hearing the word of God our faith will be established; and if we believe, we will do what the Lord requires us to do. So, the individual in Romans the 14th chapter at the first verse which is weak in the "faith" is a babe in the Doctrine of the Lord. Also in that first verse Paul also states, "**receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations.**" In other words, accept this brother or sister but, do not agree with their uncertain arguments. Meaning, if this individual, who is

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weak in the faith hasn't obtained the correct concept of a particular scripture or verse, correct them, do not agree if they are incorrect.

For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs. 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. (Romans 14: 2-3)

Is this literal food? Or is the Apostle Paul giving us an example? Let's skip to the 15th verse.

But if thy brother be grieved with thy meat, now walkest thou not charitably. Destroy not him with thy meat, for whom Christ died. (Romans 14:15)

Sisters and brothers, how can an individual grieve or destroy another with his or her meat? What does Paul mean by, "Now walkest thou not charitably?" What is charity? The love of mankind correct? What is love according to the Word of God? **Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law** (Romans 13:10). Therefore if you walk not in the Law of God, and preach the Law of God, you can destroy and individual with your knowledge of the word. In other words practice what you preach. Take a look at what Paul says in the 5th chapter of Hebrews.

For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the **oracles of God**; and are become such as have need of milk, and **not of strong meat**. For every one that useth milk is unskillful in the **word of righteousness**: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil. (Hebrews 5:12-14)

In Romans the 14th chapter Paul was not referring to literal food at all. He was simply using food for an example. Now, let's return to Romans the 14th chapter and see that he was in fact talking about the word of righteousness instead of literal food.

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

Now we see that Paul was simply talking about the doctrine of God using food as a form of instructions. We did not see one verse that stated, "Thus sayeth the Lord, I have changed my mind, you can eat whatever you desire."

Let's go to one last place some individuals try put an end to the Lord dietary law. Let's go into I Timothy chapter four and start at verse one.

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Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; (I Timothy 4:1-2)

In the last days the so-called people of God have departed from the true belief, and cannot be reasoned with. Yes, they truly have taken heed to doctrine of devils clinging to a dogma that cannot be defended. Worshipping a god that hangs on a Roman death symbol. When the true and living God, is sitting on the right hand of Power in the Third heaven, being very much alive. Now take note of the next verse.

**Forbidding to marry** and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. (I Timothy 4: 3)

First of all, note the first three words in the verse, "**Forbidding to marry.**" Forbidding to marry has no part in the doctrine of the true and Living God. The first commandment given to Adam and Eve was be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth. This same commandment was give to Noah, his sons, and their wives. In addition, I Timothy chapter 3 in verse 2 states, "a bishop should be a husband of one wife." Forbidding to marry is truly a doctrine of devils. So, where did this nonsense come from? Take note!

Celibacy is particularly associated with Roman Catholic priests, who are **forbidden by canon law to marry**. This requirement is distinct from the vow of chastity taken by monks and nuns, who choose a life of consecrated chastity and ratify their choice, by vow. After the Second Vatican Council (1960-65), the issue of celibacy was again debated vigorously with the hope of making it optional for the clergy. Popes Paul VI and John Paul II, however, reconfirmed the traditional teaching that celibacy should remain **mandatory** for the clergy of the Latin Church. Reasons generally given for priestly celibacy are promotion of single-minded dedication to the ministry and the need for freedom for prayer.

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As we can see, in-order to be a minister in the above organizations, it is mandatory that you remain celibate. It is not decided by the individuals own free will. This organization also abstains from meats that were created to be received during a period they call lent. Let's return to I Timothy chapter 4 and start at the 4th verse.

For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: For it is **sanctified** by the word of God and prayer. (I Timothy 4:4-5)

Every creature of God is good, but all are not created to be received. The beasts that are sanctified or set apart in the Word of God are outlined in Leviticus the 11 chapter and also Deuteronomy the 14th chapter. Before we look at the dietary law, let's recap what we have learned thus far. In the beginning of this study we saw that Jesus was the God that gave all the

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commandments to Moses to teach the children of Israel. Remember what the Lord stated in Exodus the 24th chapter in 12th verse, "**I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written**; that thou mayest teach them." We have also looked at four different sets of verses that some individuals try to use to do away with the Lord's dietary law. After going through those verses we have seen that they have nothing to do with the dietary law. When in fact, food and drink were used for an example. In other words, the passage was letting us know something had to be consumed. For example, how would an individual consume a book? By reading it or by listening to some other person read it. Thus the words are consumed or eaten by the ears and digested in the brain. If the words are understood, they will exit the mouth giving understanding to others. Now, let's take a look at the dietary law. We will begin in Leviticus the 11th chapter and start at the first verse.

**And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron**, saying unto them, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, "These are the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth. Whatsoever **parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, and cheweth the cud**, among the beasts, that shall ye eat." (Leviticus 11:1-3)

Note what the Lord says to Moses, "Whatsoever **parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, and cheweth the cud**, among the beasts, that shall ye eat." Here the Lord gives us a description of the beast that we can eat. We may not know what a particular animal is, but by using this description we know if the beast is clean or unclean. Let's take a look at the beast that we shall not eat.

Nevertheless **these shall ye not eat** of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the hoof: as the **camel**, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you. And the **coney**, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you. And **the hare (rabbit)**, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you. And the **swine (pig, pork)**, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you. Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they are unclean to you. (Leviticus 11:4-8)

These are the beasts that shall not be eaten. Why? Because the Lord said so! Take a look at this verse in the book of St. John. **Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you** (John 15:14). So, if an individual call themselves a Christian or a friend of Christ, the swine (pig) should never be on your dinner plate or anything else that the Lord deems unclean. Remember that Christ is the ONE that gave the dietary law. Remember Christ was the Rock that followed our fathers in the cloud in the wilderness. Remember, He is the Lord and He change not. Remember Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever! It has nothing to do with an animal being a scavenger or anything else. It has to do with thus say the Lord. He is the one that created us, HE knows what's good or not for His creation. Let's continue;

These shall ye eat of all that are in the waters: whatsoever hath **fins and scales in the waters**, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat. (Leviticus 11:9)



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If the fish has fins and scales it can be eaten. And if it doesn't we can't.

**And all that have not fins and scales in the seas**, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which is in the waters, **they shall be an abomination unto you:** They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcasses in abomination. Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that shall be an abomination unto you. (Leviticus 11:10-12)

So, no shellfish. You know the lobster, the crab, crayfish, oysters, snails, etc. Those of you that like to eat catfish, it must not be eaten. The catfish has fins but it doesn't have scales. The Lord Jesus says these creatures are an abomination unto you and they shall not be eaten. Let's take a look at the fowl.

And these are they which ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the osprey, And the vulture, and the kite after his kind; Every raven after his kind; And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckoo, and the hawk after his kind, And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl, And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle, And the stork, the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat. All fowls that creep, going upon all four, shall be an abomination unto you. (Leviticus 11:13-20)

Those of us that like to eat duck; it is an abomination. The duck is in the swan family. Let's continue;

Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon all four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth; Even these of them ye may eat; the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and the beetle after his kind, and the grasshopper after his kind. (Leviticus 11:21-22)

Those are the insects that can be eaten.

But all other flying creeping things, which have four feet, shall be an abomination unto you. And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even. And whosoever beareth ought of the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even. The carcasses of every beast which divideth the hoof, and is not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, are unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean. (Leviticus 11:23-26)

Note what the Lord says, "**Whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even.**" If an individual touch the carcass or dead body of one of these beast, they will be unclean until sundown. They must wash the clothes that they were wearing and also bath themselves. Let's continue;

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And **whatsoever goeth upon his paws**, among all manner of beasts that go on all four, those are unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even. And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they are unclean unto you. (Leviticus 11:27-28)

Note what the verse says, "**whatsoever goeth upon his paws**." Individuals that eat the opossum, raccoon and the squirrel. Those beasts are unclean unto you and must not be eaten or touch if they are dead. So we see clearly what the Lord deems clean and unclean, what shall be eaten and what should not be eaten. The Lord gives a clear description of the beats just incase we are not sure what a particular animal is. Let, skip down to the 43rd verse, **PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO WHAT THE LORD TELLS MOSES!**

Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby. For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore **sanctify yourselves**, and **ye shall be holy**; for **I am holy**: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: **ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy**. (Leviticus 11:43-45)

Note what the Lord says, "Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing, that ye should be defiled thereby, ye shall therefore **sanctify yourselves**, and **ye shall be holy; for I am holy**." If an individual observe the Lord's dietary law, they will be holy, like their God even Jesus. Those that observe this law, along with the other righteous rules of conduct put forth by the true and Living God, are truly sanctified, or set apart from the so-call Roman Christian community. The Roman Christian community as the apostle Paul states in I Timothy the fourth chapter in verses one and two, " they speak lies and hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron, in other words their brains are burnt clean out of their heads. They take heed to doctrine of devils, thinking if they pray over something that is deemed unclean by the Most High God, it is okay for them to consume. If the beast is regarded as an abomination and is eaten it becomes sin. And what is sin? (**Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law** (I John 3:4). And, when sin is finished it brings forth death. So, how can an individual pray over something that is unclean? They cannot. Why? (**He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination**. (Proverbs 28:9). A prayer of a sinner is an abomination to the Lord. Some might say, "come on, the Lord wouldn't put a person in the lake of fire for eating swine's flesh (pork). **TAKE GOOD HEED TO THESE NEXT SET OF SCRIPTURES!**

For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, **to render his anger with fury**, and his rebuke with flames of fire. For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and **the slain of the LORD shall be many**. They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the gardens behind one tree in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed together, saith the LORD. (Isaiah 66:15-17)

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The Lord says' by the mouth of Isaiah that those that eat swine's flesh (pork) shall be consumed. Just in case we have forgotten who this Lord is, let's go to II Thessalonians chapter one, and start at the sixth verse and we will see that it is Jesus that Isaiah is referring to and not the Father.

Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you; And to you who are troubled rest with us, **when the Lord Jesus** shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, **In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God**, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; (II Thessalonians 1:6-9)

Note what the eighth verse states, "**In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God.**" Paul was quoting Isaiah the 66th chapter and the 15th verse, where it states, "For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire." These individuals that receive the Lord's vengeance know Him not and obey not the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. The dietary law is part of the commandments. **(He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.)** (I John 2:4.) We must understand brothers and sisters there is no degree of sin. If we break one of the laws, we break them all, and the sentence for transgressing the Lord's laws is death. What we must do is keep ourselves from willful sin. Let's take a look at Noah for a moment. Take a look at this verse in Genesis the 9th chapter and the 3rd verse.

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

Some one might say, "see we can eat anything that our heart's desire." Let's reason together brothers and sisters. Who wrote the book of Genesis? Moses, when he was moved by the Holy Spirit, correct? Who wrote Leviticus the 11th chapter? Moses! So, everything that was created to be received shall be eaten. Let's back up to the 7th chapter of Genesis. When I first laid eyes on these two verses I was amazed how even the simplest thing in the word of God is hidden to those that don't read His book. Take a look at this.

And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation. Of every **clean beast** thou shalt take to thee by **sevens**, the male and his female: and of beasts that are **not clean by two**, the male and his female. (Genesis 7:1-2)

Here we see the dietary law being instituted. Here we see the difference in clean and unclean being shown seven chapters from the beginning of the book. So, this lets us know that the dietary law was brought into being along side the Royal law (commandments) even before Abraham came on the scene. Now that we have seen when the dietary law was instituted and also looked at the dietary law itself. Let's return to the new book take note to what the Lord say to the scribes and Pharisees.

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Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. (John 5:45)

Well, modern day church people think Moses' laws are nailed to the cross. So, they don't trust in Moses, they trust in rev. X Y or Z. But, notice this;

For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. **But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?** (John 5:46-47)

So, if you call yourself a New Testament Christian, and don't read and believe Moses' writings, how can you believe in Jesus? In conclusion sisters and brothers, this is the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth: To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten. Leviticus 11:46-47 For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. Leviticus 11:44)

May the Lord add a blessing to the reading of His word in Jesus name. Amen.