# Kedoshim "Holy"

**Torah:** Leviticus 19:1-20:27

**Haftarah: Ezekiel 20:2-20, Amos 9:7-15** 

Brit Chadasha: Matthew 5:33-37, 43-48, 15:1-11, 19:16-30, 22:33-40

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## **TORAH:**

# **Leviticus 19**

## Holiness Code

- 1 Adonai spoke to Moses saying:
- 2 "Speak to all the congregation of *Bnei-Yisrael* and tell them: You shall be *kedoshim*, for I, *Adonai* your God, am holy.
- 3 "Each one of you is to respect his mother and his father, and keep My *Shabbatot*. I am *Adonai* your God.
- 4 "Do not turn to idols, or make molten gods for yourselves. I am *Adonai* your God.
- 5 "When you bring a sacrifice of fellowship offerings to *Adonai*, you are to offer it so that you may be accepted.
- 6 It is to be eaten the same day you offer it, and the next day. But if anything remains until the third day, it is to be burned with fire.
- 7 If it is eaten at all on the third day, it is disgusting. It will not be accepted.
- 8 Rather, anyone who eats it will bear his iniquity, since he has profaned what is holy to *Adonai*, and that soul will be cut off from his people.

- 9 "When you reap the harvest of your land, you are not to reap to the very corners of your field, nor are you to gather the gleanings of your harvest.
- 10 You are not to pick the remnants of your vineyard, nor are you to gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. Instead, you are to leave them for the poor and for the outsider. I am *Adonai* your God.
- 11 "You are not to steal. You are not to lie. You are not to deceive one another.
- 12 "You are not to swear by My Name falsely, and so profane the Name of your God. I am *Adonai*.
- 13 "You are not to oppress your neighbor, nor rob him. The wages of a hired servant are not to remain with you all night until the morning.
- 14 "You are not to curse the deaf, nor put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God. I am *Adonai*.
- 15 "You are to do no injustice in judgment. You are not to be partial toward the poor nor show favoritism toward the great, but you are to judge your neighbor with fairness.
- 16 "You are not to go up and down as a talebearer among your people. You are not to endanger the life of your neighbor. I am *Adonai*.
- 17 "You are not to hate your brother in your heart. Instead, you are to firmly rebuke your neighbor, and not bear sin because of him.
- 18 You are not to take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am *Adonai*.
- 19 "You must keep My statutes. You are not to crossbreed different kinds of animals. You are not to sow your field with two kinds of seed, nor are you to wear a garment woven of two kinds of material.
- 20 "If a man lies sexually with a woman who is a slave girl, pledged to be married to another man, but not ransomed or given her freedom, they are both to be punished. But they are not to be put to death, because she was not free.
- 21 He is to bring his trespass offering to *Adonai*, to the entrance of the Tent of Meeting—a ram for a guilt offering.
- 22 The *kohen* is to make atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering before *Adonai* for his sin that he committed, and the sin that he committed will be forgiven him.

- 23 "When you come into the land and have planted all kinds of trees for food, you are to consider their fruit as forbidden. Three years it will be forbidden to you. It is not to be eaten.
- 24 Then in the fourth year all its fruit will be holy, for giving praise to Adonai.
- 25 In the fifth year you may eat its fruit. So it will yield its increase to you. I am *Adonai* your God.
- 26 "You are not to eat any meat with the blood still in it, nor are you to use enchantments, or practice sorcery.
- 27 "You are not to round off the hair on the sides of your heads, nor are you to mar the edge of your beard.
- 28 You are not to make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead or make any tattoo marks upon yourself. I am *Adonai*.
- 29 "Do not defile your daughter, to make her a prostitute, so that the land does not fall into prostitution, and become full of wickedness.
- 30 "You are to keep My Shabbatot, and reverence My Sanctuary. I am Adonai.
- 31 "Do not turn to those who are mediums or to soothsayers. Do not seek them out to be defiled by them. I am *Adonai* your God.
- 32 "You are to rise up in the presence of the gray-haired and honor the presence of the elderly. So you will fear your God. I am *Adonai*.
- 33 "If an outsider dwells with you in your land, you shall do him no wrong.
- 34 The outsider dwelling among you should be to you as the native-born among you. You should love him as yourself—for you dwelled as outsiders in the land of Egypt. I am *Adonai* your God.
- 35 "You must not be dishonest in judgment—in measurements of length, weight or of quantity.
- 36 You are to have honest balances, honest weights, honest bushel-measure and an honest gallon. I am *Adonai* your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.
- 37 You must observe all My statutes and all My ordinances—do them. I am *Adonai*."

## **Leviticus 20**

# Idols and the Occult

- 1 Adonai spoke to Moses saying:
- 2 "Moreover, you are to tell *Bnei-Yisrael*: Anyone from *Bnei-Yisrael* or from the outsiders dwelling in Israel, who gives any of his children to Molech, should surely be put to death. The people of the land are to stone him with rocks.
- 3 I also will set My face against such a person and will cut him off from among his people, because he has given his children to Molech, defiling My Sanctuary and profaning My holy Name.
- 4 But if the people of the land all hide their eyes from that person, when he gives of his seed to Molech, and do not put him to death,
- 5 then I will set My face against that man and against his family, and will cut him off, along with all who play the prostitute after him with Molech, from among their people.
- 6 "The soul that turns to mediums or to soothsayers, prostituting himself with them, I will set My face against that soul and will cut him off from among his people.
- 7 So consecrate yourselves and be holy, for I am *Adonai* your God.
- 8 You are to keep My statutes, and do them. I am Adonai who sanctifies you.
- 9 "Any man who curses his father or his mother should surely be put to death. He has cursed his father or mother, and his blood should be on him.
- 10 "The man who commits adultery with another man's wife, who commits adultery with his friend's wife, both the adulterer and the adulteress should surely be put to death.
- 11 "If a man lies with his father's wife, and has uncovered his father's nakedness, both of them should surely be put to death, and their blood should be on them.
- 12 If a man lies with his daughter-in-law, both of them should surely be put to death. They have committed a perversion, and their blood should be on them.
- 13 If a man lies with a male as with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination, and they should surely be put to death. Their blood should be on them.

- 14 If a man takes a wife and her mother, it is wickedness. They should be burned with fire—both he and they, so that there may be no wickedness among you.
- 15 If a man lies with an animal, he should surely be put to death, and you are to kill the animal.
- 16 If a woman approaches any animal, and lies down with it, you are to kill the woman and the animal. They should surely be put to death, and their blood should be on them.
- 17 If a man takes his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and sees her nakedness, and she his, it is a shameful thing. They are to be cut off in the sight of the children of their people, for he has uncovered his sister's nakedness, and will bear his iniquity.
- 18 If a man lies with a woman during her *niddah* and exposes her nakedness, he has exposed her flow and she has uncovered the flow of her blood. Both of them are to be cut off from among their people.
- 19 You are not to uncover the nakedness of your mother's sister, or your father's sister, for the one who does that has made his close relative naked, and will bear his iniquity.
- 20 If a man lies with his aunt, he has uncovered his uncle's nakedness. They should bear their sin, and die childless.
- 21 If a man takes his brother's wife, it is an impurity. He has uncovered his brother's nakedness, and they will be childless.
- 22 "Now you are to keep all My statutes and all My ordinances and do them, so that the land where I am bringing you to dwell will not vomit you out.
- 23 You are not to walk in the ways of the nation which I am casting out before you, for they did all these things and therefore I abhorred them.
- 24 But I have said to you, 'You will inherit their land and I will give it to you to possess it, a land flowing with milk and honey.' I am *Adonai* your God, who has set you apart from the peoples.
- 25 "Also you are to make a distinction between the clean animal and the unclean, and between the unclean bird and the clean. And you are not to make your souls detestable by an animal or by a bird, or by anything with which the ground teems, which I have set apart as unclean for you.

26 You are to be holy to Me, for I, *Adonai*, am holy, and have set you apart from the peoples, so that you would be Mine.

27 "A man or a woman who is a medium or is a soothsayer should surely be put to death. They should stone them with rocks, and their blood should be on them."

# **HAFTARAH**

# **Ezekiel 20:2-20**

- 2 The word of *Adonai* came to me saying:
- 3 "Son of man, speak to the elders of Israel. Say to them, thus says *AdonaiElohim*: 'Have you come to inquire of Me? As I live'—it is a declaration of *Adonai*—'I will not be inquired of by you.'
- 4 "Will you judge them, son of man, will you judge them? Make them know the detestable practices of their fathers.
- 5 Say to them, thus says *Adonai Elohim*: On the day I chose Israel, I lifted up My hand to the seed of the house of Jacob and made Myself known to them in the land of Egypt. I lifted up My hand to them saying, 'I am *Adonai* your God.' 6 On that day I lifted up My hand to them, to bring them out of the land of Egypt into a land that I had sought out for them, flowing with milk and honey, the splendor of all lands.
- 7 I said to them, 'Each of you must throw away every detestable thing from his eyes, and not defile yourselves with the idols of Egypt. I am *Adonai* your God.' 8 "But they rebelled against Me and were unwilling to listen to Me. None of them cast away the detestable things that were before their eyes, nor did they forsake the idols of Egypt. So I resolved to pour out My fury upon them, to expend My anger upon them in the midst of the land of Egypt.
- 9 But I acted, for the sake of My Name, to keep it from being profaned in the eyes of the nations, where they were, in whose sight I made Myself known to them, to bring them out from the land of Egypt.
- 10 So I led them out from the land of Egypt and brought them into the wilderness.
- 11 I gave them My laws and taught them My judgments, which if a man does, he will live by them.
- 12 I also gave them My *Shabbatot*, as a sign between Me and them, so that they would know that I am *Adonai* who made them holy.

- 13 "But the house of Israel rebelled against Me in the wilderness. They did not walk in My statutes. They rejected My judgments, which if a man does, he will live by them. They greatly profaned My *Shabbatot*. Then I resolved to pour out My fury on them in the wilderness to consume them.
- 14 But for the sake of My Name I did what would keep it from being profaned in the eyes of the nations in whose sight I had brought them out.
- 15 Yet I also lifted My hand to them in the wilderness, that I would not bring them into the land which I had given them, flowing with milk and honey, which is the splendor of all lands.
- 16 For they rejected My laws, did not walk in My rulings and profaned My *Shabbatot*—for their heart went after their idols.
- 17 Nevertheless, My eye spared them from destruction, so I did not make a full end of them in the wilderness.
- 18 "I said to their children in the wilderness, 'Do not walk in the statutes of your fathers, do not keep their ordinances, do not defile yourselves with their idols.
- 19 I am Adonai your God. Walk in My statutes, keep My ordinances and do them.
- 20 Keep My *Shabbatot* holy, so they will be a sign between Me and you, that you may know that I am *Adonai* your God.'

## Amos 9:7-15

- 7 "Are you not like the children of the Cushites to Me, *Bnei-Yisrael*?" It is the declaration of *Adonai*. "Did I not bring Israel up from the land of Egypt, the Philistines from Caphtor, and Aram from Kir?"
- 8 Behold, the eyes of my Lord *Adonai* are on the sinful kingdom. So I will utterly destroy it from the face of the earth. Nevertheless, I will not annihilate the house of Jacob." It is a declaration of *Adonai*.
- 9 "For behold, I have commanded, and I will shake the house of Israel among all the nations, like grain being tossed in a sieve, without a pebble falling to the ground.
- 10 By the sword shall all the sinners of My people die, those who say: 'The calamity will not overtake or confront us.'

# David's Sukkah Restored

- 11 "In that day I will raise up David's fallen *sukkah*. I will restore its breaches, raise up its ruins, and rebuild it as in days of old
- 12 —so they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations called by My Name." It is a declaration of *Adonai*, the One who will do this.
- 13 "Behold, days are soon coming" —it is a declaration of *Adonai* "when the plowman will overtake the reaper and the one treading grapes, the one sowing seed. The mountains will drip sweet wine and all the hills will melt over.
- 14 Yes, I will restore the captivity of My people Israel. They will rebuild desolated cities and dwell in them. They will plant vineyards and drink their wine. They will also make gardens and eat their fruit.
- 15 Yes, I will plant them on their land, and they will never again be plucked up out of their land that I have given to them." *Adonai*, your God, has said it.

# **BRIT CHADASHA**

#### Matthew 5:33-37

33 "Again, you have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not swear falsely, but shall carry out your oaths to *Adonai*.'

34 But I tell you, do not swear at all—not by heaven, for it is the throne of God; 35 or by the earth, for it is the footstool of His feet; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King.

36 And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make a single hair white or black.

37 But let your word 'Yes' be 'Yes' and your 'No,' 'No'—anything more than this is from the evil one."

#### Matthew 5:43-48

43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'

44 But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,

45 so that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Even the tax collectors do the same, don't they?

47 And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than anyone else? Even the pagans do that, don't they?

48 Therefore be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect."

# Matthew 15:1-11

Religious Leaders Quiz Yeshua

1 Then some Pharisees and *Torah* scholars came to *Yeshua* from Jerusalem. They said,

- 2 "Why do Your disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? For they do not do the ritual handwashing when they eat bread."
- 3 And answering, He said to them, "Why do you also transgress the commandment of God for the sake of your tradition?
- 4 For God said, 'Honor your father and mother' and 'He who speaks evil of father or mother must be put to death.'
- 5 But you say, 'Whoever tells his father or mother, "Whatever you might have gained from me is a gift to God,"
- 6 he need not honor his father.' On account of your tradition, you made void the word of God.
- 7 Hypocrites! Rightly did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying,
- 8 'This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me.
- 9 And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.'"
- 10 Then Yeshua called the crowd and said to them, "Hear and understand.
- 11 It's not what goes into the mouth that makes the man unholy; but what comes out of the mouth, this makes the man unholy."

## Matthew 19:16-30

- 16 Now behold, one came to Him and said, "Teacher, what good shall I do to have eternal life?"
- 17 "Why do you ask Me about what is good?" *Yeshua* said to him. "There is only One who is good; but if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments."
- 18 "Which ones?" he said. *Yeshua* said, "'Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony,
- 19 honor your father and mother,' and 'love your neighbor as yourself.'"
- 20 "All these I've kept," the young man said to Him. "What do I still lack?"
- 21 Yeshua said to him, "If you wish to be perfect, go, sell what you own, and give to the poor; and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow Me."
- 22 But when the young man heard this statement, he went away grieving, for he had much property.

- 23 Then *Yeshua* said to His disciples, "Amen, I tell you, it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven.
- 24 Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."
- 25 When the disciples heard this, they were utterly astonished and said, "Then who can be saved?"
- 26 And looking, *Yeshua* said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."
- 27 Then Peter said to Him, "Look, we've left everything to follow You! So what will we have?"
- 28 And *Yeshua* said to them, "Amen, I tell you, when the Son of Man sits on His glorious throne in the new world, you who have followed Me shall also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.
- 29 And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or property, for My name's sake, will receive a hundred times as much, and will inherit eternal life.
- 30 But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

# Matthew 22:33-40

33 When the crowds heard this, they were astounded at His teaching.

## The Greatest Mitzvot

- 34 But the Pharisees, when they heard that *Yeshua* had silenced the Sadducees, gathered together in one place.
- 35 And testing Him, one of them, a lawyer, asked,
- 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the *Torah*?"
- 37 And He said to him, "'You shall love *Adonai* your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'
- 38 This is the first and greatest commandment.
- 39 And the second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
- 40 The entire *Torah* and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

## Luke 10:25-39

Who Is My Neighbor?

- 25 Now a certain *Torah* lawyer stood up to entrap *Yeshua*, saying, "Teacher, what should I do to gain eternal life?"
- 26 Then *Yeshua* said to him, "What has been written in the *Torah*? How do you read it?"
- 27 And he replied, "You shall love *Adonai* your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."
- 28 Yeshua said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live."
- 29 But wanting to vindicate himself, he said to *Yeshua*, "Then who is my neighbor?"
- 30 Yeshua replied, "A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He was attacked by robbers, who stripped him and beat him. Then they left, abandoning him as half dead.
- 31 And by chance, a *kohen* was going down that road; but when he saw the man, he passed by on the opposite side.
- 32 Likewise a Levite also, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the opposite side.
- 33 But a Samaritan who was traveling came upon him; and when he noticed the man, he felt compassion.
- 34 He went up to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on olive oil and wine. Then setting him on his own animal, he brought him to a lodge for travelers and took care of him.
- 35 The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him. And whatever else you spend, upon my return I will repay you myself.'
- 36 Which of these three seems to you a neighbor to the one attacked by robbers?"
- 37 And he said, "The one who showed mercy to him." Then *Yeshua* said to him, "Go, and you do the same."

At Home with Miriam and Martha

38 Now while they were traveling, *Yeshua* entered a certain village; and a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house.

39 She had a sister called Miriam, who was seated at the Master's feet, listening to His teaching.