

## Leviticus 21:5-9 **Priests Must Be Holy**

5 They shall not make any bald place on their heads, nor shall they shave the edges of their beards nor make any cuttings in their flesh.

6 They shall be holy to their God and not profane the name of their God, for they offer the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and the bread of their God; therefore they shall be holy.

7 They shall not take a wife who is a harlot or a defiled woman, nor shall they take a woman divorced from her husband; for the priest is holy to his God.

8 Therefore you shall consecrate him, for he offers the bread of your God. He shall be holy to you, for I the LORD, who sanctify you, am holy.

9 The daughter of any priest, if she profanes herself by playing the harlot, she profanes her father. She shall be burned with fire. NKJV

### Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Priests must be holy to their God. [Leviticus 21:6]
  - ◇ They may not profane the name of Elohey (their God). [Leviticus 21:6]
  - ◇ Because, they offer the offerings of Yehowah made by fire, and the bread of Elohey. [Leviticus 21:6]
  - ◇ Because they are Chief Men among their people. [Leviticus 21:4]
  - ◇ Therefore they must be holy. [Leviticus 21:6]
- ✧ Priest must not make any bald place on their heads, shave the edges of their beards, or make any cuttings on their flesh. [Leviticus 21:5]
  - ◇ These are all done in various pagan idolatrous practices and forms of witchcraft.
  - ◇ You shall not shave the sides of your head, nor shall you disfigure the edges of your beard. [Leviticus 19:27]
  - ◇ The goatee is the satanic symbol of the goats head and pentagram, used as a mystic or magical symbol, which is associated with witchcraft and condemned by God.
  - ◇ You shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor tattoo any marks on you. I am Yehowah. [Leviticus 19:28]
  - ◇ Cuttings in your flesh for the dead and tattoo marks are both associated with witchcraft and forbidden by God.
  - ◇ The prophets of Baal in the time of Elijah made cuttings in their flesh as they prayed for Baal to send down fire from Heaven to devour their sacrifice when Elijah challenged them on Mount Carmel to prove which god is really God, Baal or Yehowah. [1 Kings 18:17-40]
  - ◇ The **Mark of the Beast** will be the final mark placed by men on the bodies of those who will go to the Lake of Fire because it is Satan's mark. [Revelation 13:11-18, 14:9-11]
  - ◇ Direct command from God and God is watching as a witness.
- ✧ Priests may not marry a woman that is a harlot, defiled, or divorced. [Leviticus 21:7]
  - ◇ Because a Priest must be holy to his God. [Leviticus 21:7]
- ✧ You shall consecrate (Set apart for service to Yehowah) the Priest. [Leviticus 21:8]
  - ◇ He shall be holy to you, because he offers the bread of Elohey.
  - ◇ **'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.'** [Leviticus 10:3]
- ✧ God is Holy and He commands His people to be holy. [Leviticus 19:1-2]
  - ◇ God's first call for the people to be holy is found in [Exodus 19:1-6] when Israel had first arrived at the foot of Mount Sinai and Moses went up to God.
  - ◇ God stated His desire for the Children of Israel when He said, "Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me

above all people; for all the earth is Mine. And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' [\[Exodus 19:5-6\]](#) NKJV

- ✧ God's call to be holy included their diet. [\[Exodus 22:31, Leviticus 11:41-45\]](#)
- ✧ You shall be holy, for I Yehowah, am Holy.
- ✧ Yehowah has separated you from the peoples of the earth that you should be His people. [\[Exodus 6:7, Leviticus 20:24, 26:12, Deuteronomy 7:6, 14:2, 26:19, 27:9, 28:9, 29:13\]](#)
- ✧ Because I, Yehowah, Who sanctify you, am Holy.
- ✧ God is holy, and it is God Who sanctifies us (sets us apart from the people of the world).
- ✧ Penalty of death by fire, for the daughter of the priest who prostitutes herself by becoming a harlot, because it profanes her father the Priest and his reputation among the people. [\[Leviticus 21:9\]](#)