

**Leviticus: Holy God, Holy People
Purity Laws Concerning Infectious Disease:
The Cost of Getting Close – Lev 13:1-14:57 (page 75)**

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The essential point: All disease and decay are incompatible with the holiness of the Lord (Lev 13:1-14:57)

Before God's people can enter His holy presence, they must be free from disease (Lev 13:1-46)

- Disease is the result of the fallen condition of the human race and requires cleansing (vs 1-44)

Sin...

- is not just a surface problem (v 3-4; 25, 30-32; 34; Rom 3:10-12; 7:18; Mark 7:18-23; Jer 17:9-10)
 - spreads (vs 5-8; 22-23; 27-28; 34-36; 51-57; 14:39; 44; 48)
 - defiles, makes one unclean (vs 44-46)
 - isolates (v 46)
 - leads only to destruction (v 52, 55, 57)
- Uncleaness prevents any person from entering the presence of the Lord (vs 44-46)

Before God's people can remain in His presence all contamination must be removed from their lives (Lev 13:47-59)

- All contamination requires action (vs 47-59)
- If not destroyed, the contamination will spread (vs 50-59)

God provided the way for one restored to health to full involvement in worship through appropriate sacrifice - cleansing (Lev 14:1-32)

- The cleansing and restoration - outside the camp and inside the tabernacle - picture the cleansing sacrifice of Jesus Christ on our behalf (14:3-7; 10-32)

God requires His people to remove contamination from their lives (Lev 14:33-57)