

**“The Pentateuch”**  
**Numbers 5-6**  
**Wednesday Aug 11, 2010**

**Numbers 1-20** – The Old Generation Set Aside: (Disobedience)

**Numbers 1-4** – The Census of Israel's Warriors: The Tribes In Order; The Duties of The Levites:

**Numbers 5-10** – Cleansing, Consecration, and Final Instructions:

**Numbers 5 – Clean People:**

1. Physical Defilement –
2. Social Defilement –
3. Martial Defilement –

**Numbers 6 – Separated People:**

**Numbers 5 – A Clean People**  
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**Numbers 5 – A Clean People:**

The word “unclean” or “defiled” is used 9X in Numbers 5

**Numbers 5:1-4 Physical Defilement:**

Numbers 5:1-2

Now here in Num. 5, it is time to institute those laws.

1. Unclean – Leper – or “infectious skin disease.”; Lev. 13-15 (A picture of the ugliness of sin.)
2. Unclean – Discharge – and everyone having a discharge (Lev. 15).

(Natural Man, through omission and commission is born of corruption; sin not dealt with will bring destruction)

3. Unclean Because of A Dead Body – and everyone who is unclean because of a dead person. (God is life, sin leads to death)

Num 5:3

Health Issue for the people:

Spiritual Issue for the people:

The basic purpose was to teach the Jews the meaning of separation and holiness.

2 Cor. 7:1

Num 5:4

Numbers 5:5-10 – Interpersonal Defilement:

Numbers 5:11-31 – Marital Defilement:

Num 5:11-12

Faithfulness in marriage is a foundation stone for every society, for as goes the home, so goes the Church and Nation.

Num 5:13-14

Prov 27:4

Test for Adultery: Great lesson, God knows, and Judges.

1. Verses 15-16 – The Husband brought his wife to the priest at the door of the tabernacle, along with the prescribed offering:
2. Verse 17 – The priest took water from the laver and dust from the tabernacle floor and mixed them in a clay vessel:
3. Verse 18 – The priest loosened the woman's hair, letting the hair go loose as if she were in mourning:
4. Verses 19-22 – The priest put the wife under oath before God:  

Verses 20-22 – Then announced the curses attached to the oath:

"Amen. Amen." She submitted to God's righteous judgment by saying, "Amen, amen," which means, "Let it be so."
5. Verse 23 – The priest then wrote the curses on a scroll and washed them off into the bitter water:
6. Verse 24 – The woman then drank the water:

The word "bitterness" used 5X in the passage

7. Verses 25-27 – As the woman drank the water, the priest took the offering from her hands and presented it to the Lord:

Num 5:28-31

### **Numbers 6 – A Separated People:**

Numbers 6:1-8 – Separation Described:

"Nazirite" comes from a Hebrew word that means "to set apart, to dedicate."

1. Verses 3-4 – Separation From The Fruit of The Vine:
2. Verse 5 – Separation By Not Cutting Their Hair:
3. Verses 6-7 – Separation By Not Touching The Dead:

Num 6:8

Numbers 6:9-12 – Separation Defined:

Numbers 6:13-21 – Separation Fulfilled:

Nobody is saved by making and keeping a vow. Salvation is the gift of God to those who believe, not a reward to those who behave.

Numbers 6:22-27 – A Blessed People:

Note the context of the blessing! Being Clean & Separated.

Eph 1:3

### **Application:**

1. God is holy and His people must be holy:
2. Sins committed in the body are basically sins of the heart:
3. Only God knows the heart:
4. Only God can and will give fair judgment:
5. Devotion to God involves loving what God loves and hating what God hates: