

The Law to an Ordinary Faithful Israelite

- Deuteronomy 30:11 – 14 Moses told the Israelites, “This is not too difficult for you.”
- Paul quoted part of this paragraph in Romans 10:6 – 8, making the same point about the gospel.

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- God
 - No other gods (Exodus 20:3, Leviticus 18:21, 19:4, 20:1 – 5, 26:1, Deuteronomy 5:7)
 - Do not mention other gods (Exodus 23:13)
 - No statues of any god (Exodus 20:4 – 5, Deuteronomy 5:8 – 10, 6:14 – 15)
 - Destroy idols (Deuteronomy 12:2 – 4, 12:29 – 32)
 - Vows invoking God cannot be broken (Exodus 20:7, Leviticus 5:4 – 11, 19:12, Deuteronomy 5:11, 23:21)
 - Nazirite vow (Numbers 6:1 – 21)
 - Teach kids (Deuteronomy 6:7 – 8, 6:20 – 25, 11:18 – 21)

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- Civil Law
 - Ruled by the wise (Deuteronomy 1:13 – 17)
 - Do not commit adultery (Exodus 20:14, Leviticus 18:20, Deuteronomy 5:18)
 - Do not steal (Exodus 20:15, Leviticus 6:1 – 6, 19:11, 19:13, Deuteronomy 5:19)
 - Do not commit perjury (Exodus 20:16, 23:1 – 3, Leviticus 19:11, Deuteronomy 5:20)
 - Must testify (Leviticus 5:1)
 - No gossip (Leviticus 19:16)
 - Daily wages (Leviticus 19:13, Deuteronomy 24:15)
 - Silver standard (Leviticus 27:2 – 27)
 - Daughters inherit if no sons (Numbers 27:1 – 11) but must marry within the tribe (Numbers 36:5 – 9)

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- Capital crimes
 - Do not murder (Exodus 20:13, Deuteronomy 5:17)
 - Manslaughter rules (Numbers 35:9 – 34, Deuteronomy 19:1 – 13)
 - Loss of unborn due to injury (Exodus 21:22 – 23)
 - Ox gores twice: murder (Exodus 21:29)
 - Killing thief caught in the act not murder, but hunting him down is (Exodus 22:2 – 4)
 - Striking parent (Exodus 21:15)
 - Cursing parents (Exodus 21:17, Leviticus 20:9)
 - Sorcery (Exodus 22:18, Leviticus 19:26, 19:31, 20:6, 20:27, Deuteronomy 18:10 – 14)
 - Bestiality (Exodus 22:19, Leviticus 18:23, 20:15)

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- Capital crimes
 - Kidnapping (Exodus 21:16, Deuteronomy 24:7)
 - Sacrificing to another god (Exodus 22:20, Deuteronomy 17:1 – 5)
 - Adultery (Leviticus 20:10 – 21, Deuteronomy 22:22 – 30)
 - With step-mother
 - With daughter-in-law
 - Homosexuality
 - A woman and her daughter (burned)
 - False prophet (Deuteronomy 13:1 – 11)
 - Rebellious son (Deuteronomy 21:18 – 21)
 - Requires 2 or 3 witnesses (Deuteronomy 17:6 – 7)
 - May take it to the priests (Deuteronomy 17:8 – 13)

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 - Hebrew servants free after six years (Exodus 21:2 – 6, Leviticus 25:35 – 55, Deuteronomy 15:12 – 18)
 - Comes in married, goes out with family.
 - Comes in single, family stays.
 - May volunteer to stay to keep family.
 - Female slaves stay, may not be sold to foreigner
 - Hebrew slaves may be redeemed
 - Capitalize his freedom
 - Permanent slaves of foreigners
 - Female slaves taken in war (Deuteronomy 21:10 – 14)
 - Promises made by young women at home may be over-ruled by fathers, wives by husbands (Numbers 30:1 – 16)

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- Compensation for injury (Exodus 21:18 – 22:15)
 - Lost wages
 - Slave injury means freedom
 - Kill the ox who gores
 - Compensate for damage by ox
 - Compensate for damage in known safety hazard
 - Theft: repay four or five-fold
 - Fire damage
 - Grazing damage
 - Loss of items held in trust
 - If it goes to court, pay double

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- Toward others
 - Honor father, mother, and the elderly (Exodus 20:12, Leviticus 19:3, 19:32, Deuteronomy 5:16)
 - Do not covet (Exodus 20:17)
 - Cannot lower first wife's support (Exodus 21:10, Deuteronomy 21:15 – 17)
 - Treat strangers, the handicapped, widows, and orphans well (Exodus 22:21 – 24, 23:6 – 9, Leviticus 19:14 – 15, 19:33 – 36, Deuteronomy 15:7)
 - Do not revile God or leaders (Exodus 22:28)
 - Assist and return stray animals (Exodus 23:4 – 5, Deuteronomy 22:1 – 4)
 - No loan interest (Exodus 22:25 – 27, Leviticus 25:36, Deuteronomy 23:19, 24:6, 24:10 – 13)

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- Marriage
 - Pre-marital sex: father's option (Exodus 22:16 – 17)
 - Cannot marry (Leviticus 18:6 – 22, 20:11 – 21)
 - Father, mother, step-mother
 - Sister, half-sister, sister-in-law
 - Granddaughter
 - Aunt, uncle, aunt-in-law
 - Daughter-in-law
 - A woman and her daughter or daughter-in-law
 - Betrothed concubine, whip only (Leviticus 19:20)
 - No divorcees or prostitutes (Leviticus 21:7 – 9)
 - Unfaithful wife test (Numbers 5:11 – 31)
 - No foreigners (Deuteronomy 7:3 – 4)
 - Save the sheets (Deuteronomy 22:13 – 21)

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- Rules specific to the Law
 - No work on Saturday (Exodus 20:8 – 11, 23:12, 31:12 – 17, 34:21, 35:2, Leviticus 19:30, 23:2, 26:2, Deuteronomy 5:11)
 - Sabbatical year (Exodus 23:10 – 11, Leviticus 25:1 – 7, 25:20 – 23, Deuteronomy 15:1 – 11) No planting or reaping, forgive debts
 - Jubilee Year (Leviticus 25:8 – 17) No planting, debts cancelled, land reverts to original owners
 - Do not boil a kid in its mother's milk (Exodus 21:19, 34:26)
 - Eat no fat or blood (Leviticus 7:22 – 27, 17:10 – 12, 19:26, Deuteronomy 15:23)

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- Rules specific to the Law
 - No roadkill (Exodus 22:31, Deuteronomy 14:21)
 - No homosexuality (Leviticus 18:22)
 - No garments of mixed cloth (Leviticus 19:19, Deuteronomy 22:11)
 - First three years of fruit trees, no harvest; fourth year, to God; after that, yours (Leviticus 19:23 – 25)
 - No cult haircuts, scars, or tattoos (Leviticus 19:27 – 28, Deuteronomy 14:1 – 2)
 - No prostitute daughters (Leviticus 19:29, Deuteronomy 23:17)
 - Leave gleanings (Leviticus 19:9 – 10, 23:22, Deuteronomy 23:25, 24:19 – 22)

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- Rules specific to the Law
 - No interspecies breeding (Leviticus 19:19)
 - No mixed row crops (Leviticus 19:19, Deuteronomy 22:9)
 - Wear tassels (Numbers 15:37 – 40, Deuteronomy 22:12)
 - No cross-dressers (Deuteronomy 22:5)
 - Do not take mother bird and young (Deuteronomy 22:6)
 - Parapets on roofs for safety (Deuteronomy 22:8)
 - No plowing with ox and donkey (Deuteronomy 22:10)
 - Divorce (Deuteronomy 24:1 – 4)
 - Do not muzzle threshing ox (Deuteronomy 25:4)
 - Levirate marriage (Deuteronomy 25:5 – 9)

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- Tithes
 - All agricultural production: seed, fruit, and livestock. (Leviticus 27:30 – 32)
 - If presented to the Levites, they in turn were to present a tenth of that to the Lord. (Number 18:24 – 28)
 - Presented and/or eaten at the tabernacle for a large sacrificial meal. For easier transport, could be converted to cash and back to goods. (Deuteronomy 12:6, 11 – 17, 14:22 – 24)
 - In the third year, the tithe could go to the local Levites. (Deuteronomy 12:28)
 - In that third year, the tithe also could be distributed to the stranger, the orphan, and the widow (Deuteronomy 26:12)

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- Uncleaness (Leviticus 5:2 – 3, 11:1 – 47, Deuteronomy 14:3 – 20)
 - Clean
 - Cloven hoof and chews cud
 - Fins and scales
 - Herbivorous birds
 - Locusts, grasshoppers, crickets
 - Unclean
 - Has paws
 - Camels, pigs
 - Mole, mouse
 - Carnivorous birds
 - Lizard, gecko, chameleon
 - Other insects

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- Person unclean if
 - Touch a dead thing or unclean animal
 - Has a boy (40 days) or girl (80 days) (Leviticus 12:1 – 8)
 - Has leprosy (Leviticus 13:1 – 14:57, Numbers 5:1 – 4)
 - Discharge (Leviticus 15:1 – 33)
- Objects on which unclean things fall are unclean
- Wash clothes or object and be unclean until evening for uncleaness not involving a dead person
- Break unclean pots
- Dry seed and large cisterns or springs are immune
- Acceptable to become unclean for a close relative's burial (Leviticus 21:1 – 4)

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- Uncleaness due to a dead person (Numbers 19:11 – 22)
 - Just entering the tent with the body makes one unclean
 - Seven days
 - Wash on days 3 and 7
 - Uncovered vessels become unclean
 - Dust with ashes of a red heifer
 - People, tent, and vessels sprinkled with water from a branch by a clean person on days 3 and 7
 - The sprinkler must wash and be unclean until evening
 - What an unclean person touches becomes unclean

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- Holidays
 - No work on holidays, at Temple or tabernacle
 - All males shall attend Unleavened Bread, Pentecost, and Tabernacles (Deuteronomy 16:16)
 - Passover (Leviticus 23:5, Numbers 28:16, Deuteronomy 16:1 – 7) 1 evening, lamb, unleavened bread, bitter herbs
 - Second-chance Passover (Numbers 9:4 – 14)
 - Unleavened bread (Exodus 23:15, 34:18, Leviticus 23:6 – 8, Numbers 28:17 – 25, Deuteronomy 16:8) 8 days, no leaven

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- Holidays
 - Harvest, Pentecost (Exodus 23:16, 34:22, Leviticus 23:7 – 14, Numbers 28:26 – 31, Deuteronomy 16:9 – 12) 8 days, bring first fruits
 - Trumpets (Leviticus 23:24, Numbers 29:1 – 6) 1 day
 - Day of Atonement (Leviticus 16, 23:27, Numbers 29:7 – 11, Deuteronomy 16:13 – 17), 1 day
 - In-Gathering, Tabernacles (Exodus 23:16, Leviticus 23:34 – 43, Numbers 29: 12 – 40) 8 days, live in booths

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- Sacrifices
 - Two kinds: Sin and free-will
 - Free-will (Leviticus 1 – 3, Numbers 15:1 – 15)
 - Bull, sheep, goat, dove, pigeon without blemish
 - Grain as flour or roasted grains with oil and frankincense and salt, baked or not. No honey.
 - Sin offering (Leviticus 4 – 5, Numbers 15:22 – 29)
 - Kid, lamb, ram without blemish
 - Only at tabernacle or Temple (Leviticus 17, Deuteronomy 12:5 – 28)
 - Eat sin offering in one day, free will offering in two (Leviticus 19:6)
 - Complete whole ritual at once (Exodus 23:18)

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- Sacrifices
 - First born belong to God (Deuteronomy 15:19 – 23)
 - First fruits (Exodus 22:29 – 30, 34:20)
 - If the sin involved goods, add 20% (Numbers 5:5 – 8)
 - No leaven (Exodus 23:18, Leviticus 2:11)
 - Intentional sin, no forgiveness (Numbers 15:30 – 31)