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2.10-12: The _____ Law, in the _____ Covenant, governed all of God's dealings with Old Testament Israel. To this law God appeals in these verses. The bulk of the law is found in Exodus through Deuteronomy, though it was augmented and clarified in later books of the Old Testament.

People are mistaken if they think they become _____ [or saved] by association with good things.

2.13: Uncleanliness was transmitted like a _____: if you touched something unclean, you became unclean; and something touching you would become unclean.

God decreed what was clean or unclean. Only what was clean could be _____ to God and declared holy. If a clean thing became unclean, there was a ceremony for restoring cleanness.

The Samaritans were part _____ and part _____ by heritage. They were already living in the land when the exiles returned. There was mutual animosity with the returning exiles, because of differences in race and religion, and because of competing for the same land and resources.

The Samaritans were unclean so what they might offer for building the _____ would be unclean, and thus would make the temple unclean.

In the New Covenant, God _____ you to be righteous in his sight when you accept salvation by his gift of grace through your faith in the identity and work of Jesus Christ ["justification"]. God justifies you by accounting to you [or imputing to you] the righteousness of Christ ["imputed righteousness"].

Because God justifies you and regenerates you to new spiritual life, he _____ you apart for his purposes ["positional sanctification"]. Something holy is something pure that is set apart for God's purposes, so with justification and positional sanctification, you are holy in God's sight and that *never* changes. In that sense, you can never be made unclean in God's sight, no matter what.

Acts of sin, however, cause you to _____ walk away from God, relationally separating yourself from him. You do not lose your salvation, but you taint yourself and harm your intimacy with God. In this sense – experientially though not legally – you do become unclean. 1 John 1.9 teaches us to repentantly confess these sins to God, to be cleansed.

2.14: The _____ themselves were unclean, because of their sin and association with unclean things/people. Thus their work for God, even their sacrifices, also were unclean, unacceptable to God. That would have been a shock to them!

In the New Covenant, we do not _____ animals, because Jesus provided permanent peace and reconciliation with God ["atonement"], through appeasing God's wrath by his sacrifice ["propitiation"].

Scripture calls us to sacrifice much for God, but without _____, all our efforts and sacrifices are worthless and unacceptable, because only he cleanses and consecrates us for God.

15-17: God had been bringing the _____ of the Mosaic Law against the people, but they had not responded with repentance. Only Haggai's prophecy brought that repentance.

18-19: Knowing they would respond to this prophecy, God promised to _____ them.

Even in the New Covenant, Hebrews 12.6 says God _____ [or chastises] those he loves.

Though we can never lose our salvation, there are _____ side effects of sin for believers, including earthly human consequences [such as jail for crimes], deception of the mind, hardening of the heart, spiritual bondage to sin, physical illness, a loss of heavenly treasure, and negative effects on other people.

Sin also is walking away from blessings _____ to God's way of life and a tight relationship with God. Thus you no longer can expect God's empowerment to endure your trials, his transformation to spiritual maturity, strengthened faith, growing manifestation of the fruit of the Spirit, the ability to inspire others to faithfulness, spiritual enlightenment...

You cannot earn God's love or salvation, but to experience all the _____ promised in scripture, you must choose each day to walk with God on the "top line" living by faith and obedience to his revelation.

When you screw up [sin], which happens all the time, then you need to choose to repentantly confess this to God and then thank him for his forgiveness and cleansing.