

If God truly is love - and... **Torah Laws** If Love is the fulfilling of the law – then... Every law from God must be an expression of absolute love God has never given any law we would be better off without The idea of being set free from any of God's laws is unthinkable Because it means being set free from love Any "Thou shalt not..." is simply God saying "That's not love" Living love IS obedience – not motivation to obey – because... If we are truly loving ¹God and ²others with our whole being We will be automatically fulfilling every law of God -- in the Bible - in the universe **God's laws = Intrinsic reality – Not imposed restrictions** They simply describe how life works – sustainably **Bottom Line = Do we trust God with LIFE - here & now?** Do we accept God's definition of LOVE? Will we find the fullest life and love living out God's ways? Will we find more life and love living out our own feelings?

Leviticus 18 – God's ways vs. Egypt & Canaan

Not to be like Egyptians – where they came from Not to be like Canaanites – where they are headed Observe God's ways – by which a man (adam) may LIVE

Forbidden close kinship matings

Mother – Stepmother | Sister – full or half

Granddaughter Aunt – By blood or marriage

Daughter-in-law Sister-in-law

Woman AND her daughter or granddaughter - zim-mah - lewd, Woman AND sister (while both are alive) shameful

Sex during menstruation

Adultery – Sex with another man's wife - ta-me' - defile, unclean

Child sacrifice

Male with male sex - to-e-bah - abomination

Sex with an animal - by man or woman - te-bel - perversion

All referred to as to-e-bot – abominations (plural)

Doing these things defiled the people and the land

"I numbered its initiality."

"I numbered its iniquity upon it and the land vomited out its dwellers"