THE JUDGMENTS – CONT.

Review: Chapter 23
Property Rights – Vs 1-15
Societal Obligations – Vs 16-31

2. **Witchcraft. Vs 18**
   - God's law condemns witchcraft.
   - Divination / witchcraft is a way to seek _____ from demons. **Leviticus 19:31; Deuteronomy 18:9–14; Malachi 3:5**
   - O.T. Example - King Saul.
     In his early days, he was all about God's will over the life of Israel. **1 Samuel 28:3**
     But by the end of his life, Saul is consulting a witch! **1 Samuel 28:6-14**
     Why? **1 Samuel 15:22–23**

   What about the age of GRACE?
   - God shuts down witchcraft in the New Testament. No deaths.
     Acts 8 – Simon the sorcerer. Acts 13 – Bar-jesus. Acts 16 – the damsel.
   - ***KEY****: God's position in the N.T. on the use of witchcraft has not changed.*
     Galatians 5:19–21; Revelation 21:8

3. **Bestiality. Vs 19**
   - This was an issue with the Canannites. The practice was part of their _____
     God's law condemns it. **Leviticus 20:15–16; Deuteronomy 27:21; Leviticus 18:23–25**
     Compare **Jude 7**
   - It is confusion! **1 Corinthians 14:33**

4. **False worship. Vs 20**

   - The _____ commandment addressed again! **Exodus 20:3–6**
     compare **Deuteronomy 13:1–15; 17:2–5; Numbers 25:2–4**

   - In the New Testament, _____ is equated with idolatry. **Colossians 3:5**
     Covetousness = *greediness, avarice. compare* **Matthew 6:24**

     Money makes for a fickle and worthless god. **Hebrews 13:5–6**

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5. **The stranger. Vs 21** see **Exodus 23:9; Leviticus 19:33; Deuteronomy 10:19**

   God Himself comes to the aid of the oppressed! **Exodus 2:23–25; Deuteronomy 15:15**

6. **The weak. Vs 22-24**
   Those that take advantage of the defenseless provoke God's wrath. **Matthew 23:14**
   - God CARES for the widow and orphan. **Zechariah 7:10; Malachi 3:5**

   - Start planning for giving Tuesday! **December 1st!**

   - **PICTURE**: "widows" need a husband!
     A *"widow"* (**Romans 7:1-4**) is someone with a dead husband.
     Marriage is the ILLUSTRATION in Rom 7 to explain how we're free from the law.
     Compare **Col 2:13-14** The law is dead (our former husband)

     Don't "afflict" them by keeping them without Christ.

   - **PICTURE**: the fatherless. **John 8:33-44** Those whose "father" is the devil, spiritually. Satan is a dead beat, absentee father, who DOES NOT love his children.

Don't "afflict" these "orphans" by not telling them about how to be adopted by Jesus!
Isaiah 9:6

7. **Lending. Vs 25-27**
   - Under the law, God's people could not loan money to another Jew and _____

     They could charge interest on loans to people from _____ **Deut 23:20**

   - **USERY**. See **Nehemiah 5:1-13**
     Nehemiah 5:12 - require NOTHING of them We are to do good SIMPLY because it is RIGHT When it is in the power of our hand to do so - FREELY

   - **KEY**: The Lord sees how we help the helpless. **Proverbs 19:17** *again,* **Malachi 3:5**

   - **Balance is key.** Those who misuse their funds will face the penalty of their decisions. Gal 6:7-8. Those that refuse to work. **2 Thessalonians 3:10** etc.

8. **Governmental authority. Vs 28**
   - How we view our government rulers. **Proverbs 29:2**
   - So, pray! **1 Timothy 2:1–2**

9. **The law of first fruits. Vs 29-30**
   - **KEY**: Don't delay giving to God the FIRST of all He blesses you with.
   - Firstborn of thy sons.
     Remember the **Exodus 13:11-13** picture – the firstborn must be redeemed.
     PICTURE: First birth has us in sin. In Adam all die we must be redeemed.

   - A holy people. **Vs 31** *Compare* **Ezekiel 44:31**
     If it died of itself – something is wrong with it. Don't make a sandwich.
     If beast kill it – it is animal prey. Don't make a sandwich. Don't try to recover the loss.

   - **PICTURE**: Holy people are fed by a _____, not _____.