

## Questions Posed for Study

**Question: Does God have a prescribed diet for us?**

**Intro.** Perhaps the average person doesn't really care all that much about types of foods they ingest. When it comes to what the Lord our God has to say in the Bible, it does at least raise some questions about whether those food sources called unclean to the Jews, are they still unclean to us today? Inquiring minds want to know. Evangelist Lester Roloff was, though he has graduated to heaven some years ago, was convicted in his own heart that if certain foods were not acceptable to the Jews, then that was good enough for him! He did travel and when he traveled, he carried with him his own water, and would not eat certain foods forbidden to the Jews. This was his personal conviction and I don't know that he thought any less of those who did not feel differently. He felt that if it wasn't good for the Jews then, it isn't good for us to day. So, what does the Word of God have to say to us in our day about particular food groups.

Prayer.

**I. In the very \_\_\_\_\_ – Genesis 2:16 – 20.**

A. From the very beginning and according to Genesis, it appears that man was given the \_\_\_\_\_ to eat of the fruit of every fruit nearing tree in the Garden. **Genesis 1:30**

1. Accept the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
2. Animals were \_\_\_\_\_ at this time apparently, part of the diet for Adam & Eve.
3. So, being a \_\_\_\_\_ was obviously the original intent for man & beast.

B. Looking once again to the Millennial time period and beyond, it is once again to be at least the diet for all the \_\_\_\_\_ – **Isaiah 11:6 – 8 & Isaiah 6:25.**

1. **Revelation 22:1 – 5,** The Great White Throne is past, the New Heavens and Earth is upon us and we see the importance of \_\_\_\_\_ and even the medicinal purpose with them.
2. When did it change? – **Genesis 9:1 – 3.**
3. There were restrictions when it came to blood of the animals – **Genesis 9:4 & 5.**

**II. God places a \_\_\_\_\_ for His people, the Jews. – Leviticus 11:1 – 8.**

A. Here we find a long list of those animals or fish that were deemed to be \_\_\_\_\_ for His people to eat, such as swine, shrimp, catfish, and so forth. It would be natural for

some to come to the Bible and arrive at the conclusion that if it was wrong then, why not still?

1. Well, not so fast, The New Testament sheds a great deal of light on this.
  2. That which God forbid under the Law would \_\_\_\_\_ following the death and resurrection of Christ.
  3. **Colossians 2:13 – 17**, reveals that when Jesus was crucified, the ordinances or \_\_\_\_\_ of the Mosaic law were being removed from God's expectations of His people. (Miracles)
  4. There are no \_\_\_\_\_ in the Word of God, whether prior to Christ's death or following,
    - a. The \_\_\_\_\_ Jews would & still do follow the tenants of the Levitical law.
    - b. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord through faith in Christ do not, whether they are Gentiles or converted Jews. **Notice I Timothy 4:3 & 4.**
  5. Where Holy days were once restricted, now we are no longer \_\_\_\_\_ to observe them as did the Jews before Christ death.
    - a. We no longer observe \_\_\_\_\_ as the Sabbath, rather Sunday – **I Cor. 16:1 & 2.**
    - b. We can worship God every day of the week and we ought to whether personally through daily devotions, & how we live each day, or holding services every day if we desire.
    - c. There are no \_\_\_\_\_ sacrifices – **Hebrews chapter 9** as a whole.
    - d. To be short there were some very specific \_\_\_\_\_ following the crucifixion of Christ.
  6. **Romans 14:5 – 17; (verses 13 – 17)** We can be right in what we believe, while at the same time be \_\_\_\_\_ in how we make application of what is right.
- B. The conclusion from these and other Scripture, is that basically the ceremonial aspects of the Mosaic Law has been \_\_\_\_\_ away with by Christ's death & resurrection. Dietary restriction and certain observances of the Jewish Holy days, such as the sabbath, the Passover & Purim, have been suspended.
- C. The entire book of \_\_\_\_\_ is about presenting Jesus Christ as being better (superior) to the Old Testament sacrifices, meat offering etc. **Hebrews 10:1 – 2.**
- D. Everything God instructed His people to do was a \_\_\_\_\_ of better things to come as stated in **Hebrews 10:1**, but also a testing – **Exodus 15:25 & 26, 16:4 & Deut. 8:2-5.**
- E. So, we can eat most everything if we eat it to glorify God through giving of thanks.