

## Biblical Kosher

Biblical kosher refers to the dietary laws as outlined in the Scriptures, forbidding the eating of (1) animals that G-D calls unclean (Lev. 11:47), (2) animal fat (Lev. 3:17), or (3) animals that still have the blood in them (Lev. 17:12-14) as food. Lev. 11 talks about clean and unclean foods.

Clean animals include cows, sheep, goats, and deer. Unclean animals include pigs, horses, camels, rats, cats, dogs, snakes, raccoons, squirrels, and most insects. Clean birds include chicken, turkeys, geese, ducks, and doves. Unclean birds include eagles, sparrows, and crows. Clean seafood includes salmon, trout, and other fish with fins and scales. Unclean seafood includes catfish, sharks, shrimp, eel, octopus, squid, shellfish, and whales.

The story of Noah shows that the distinction between clean and unclean foods existed early in human history, long before G-D ratified His covenant with Israel. Almost a thousand years before there was a covenant with the nation of Israel, G-D told Noah to take two pairs of unclean animals and seven pairs of clean animals into the ark (Gen. 6:19-7:2). Yeshua knew these biblical dietary laws and obeyed them. But, He often came into conflict with the Pharisees over the traditions that they had added to G-D's law over the years which is known as Rabbinical Kosher.

## Bible Dietary Laws

Acceptable	Not Acceptable
	Eating these won't keep you out of heaven but might get you there much sooner!
<b>Land Animals Lev. 11:3-8, 27, Deut. 14:4-8</b>	
Any animal that divides foot and chews the cud such as:  cow ox sheep goat deer gazelle roebuck wild goat ibex antelope mountain sheep	Animals which either do not chew the cud or divide the hoof such as:  rock badger rabbit pig horse donkey quagga llama etc  Whatever goes on its paws such as:  dogs cats, coyote, bears, foxes, etc.

**Fish Lev. 11:9-12, Deut. 14:9-10**

Any fish that has fins and scales. Such as:

Bass  
croppie  
flounder  
cod  
haddock  
pike  
salmon  
sunfish  
mackerel  
snapper  
trout  
perch  
smelt  
etc

All water life that does not have fins and scales such as:

shrimp  
lobster  
snails  
clams  
shark  
shell fish  
eels  
catfish  
scallop  
octopus  
etc.

**Birds Lev. 11:13-19, Deut. 14:11-20**

pigeon  
dove, the following birds are clean:

chicken  
pheasant,  
quail,  
partridge,  
grouse,  
turkey,  
song birds,  
ducks,  
geese

red kite  
falcon  
raven  
ostrich  
owl  
sea gull  
hawk  
little and great owls  
cormorant  
white owl  
pelican  
carrion vulture  
stork  
heron  
hoopoe  
bat  
etc.

**Insects Lev. 11:20**

**None**

All the winged insects that walk on all fours are detestable to you.

**Creeping Things Lev. 11:29-30**

**None**

mole  
mouse  
great lizard  
snakes  
gecko  
crocodile  
lizard  
sand reptile  
chameleon  
turtle  
toads  
etc.

### Surprise!

You might be surprised to know that Jello and marshmallows, and other foods contain horse!

### Also Not Allowed:

- Anything which dies of itself. Deut. 14:21., Lev. 17:15-16.
- Fat from any animal. Lev. 3:17; Lev. 7:23-25.
- Abominable things. Deut. 14:3.
- Any manner of blood from fowl or beast either by itself or with its flesh. Gen. 9:4; Lev. 3:17; Lev. 7:26-27; Lev. 17:10-14; Lev. 19:26; Deut 12:16, 23-25; Deut 15:23; Acts 15:20, 29; Acts 21:25.
- A boiled kid in the milk of its mother. Exod. 23:19; Exod. 34:26; Deut. 14:21.
- Animals that were strangled. Acts 15:20-9; 21:25.
- Strong drink to the point of becoming drunk. Lev. 10:9; Rom. 13:13; 1 Cor. 6:10.
- Any flesh that is torn of beasts in the field, you shall cast it to the dogs. Exod. 22:31.
- Gluttony and overeating. Prov. 23:1-3, 20-21; Phil. 3:18, 19