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## Deuteronomy 14.

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(A brief overview of the main topics).

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**INTRODUCTION:** this is a continuation of the previous chapter, Israel is soon to cross over the River Jordan and enter into the Promised Land. The primary focus of all the following chapters is upon Moses re-telling to the new generation about to cross the River Jordan all the covenant laws the LORD originally gave to Israel at Mount Sinai so that the new generation would renew the covenant with the LORD before they enter the Promised Land. The final chapter finishes with the LORD burying Moses and Joshua being ready to lead Israel over the River Jordan and into the Promised Land (see also the introduction to chapter one).

**NOTE:** for information of people, places and the meaning of words see Map Locations and People of the Bible, and Bible Dictionary on Website Menu.

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**A treasured possession:** Moses tells Israel they are the sons of the LORD their God to be a people holy to the LORD, because He has chosen them to be a people for his treasured possession out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth and that they were not to cut themselves or make any baldness on their foreheads for the dead. In this chapter we read about foods Israel could eat and foods they were forbidden to eat. All foods that Israel could not eat was considered unclean to them and an abomination to the LORD.

### **Foods Israel was permitted to eat: -**

**Animals:** ox, sheep, goat, deer, gazelle, roebuck, wild goat, ibex, antelope and the mountain sheep, every animal that parts the hoof (has the hoof cloven in two) and chews the cud.

**Fish:** all fish that has fins and scales.

**Birds:** all clean winged birds.

### **Foods Israel was not permitted to eat: -**

**Animals:** camel, hare, rock badger, because they chew the cud but do not part the hoof, the pig, because it parts the hoof but does not chew the cud. Israel was not to eat any animal that chewed the cud or had a cloven hoof (in one piece) or touch their carcasses.

**Fish:** all fish that does not have fins and scales.

**Birds:** the eagle, the bearded vulture and the black vulture, the kite and falcon of any kind. Ravens of any kind, the ostrich, the nighthawk, the sea gull and the hawk of any kind, the little owl, the short-eared owl, the barn owl and the tawny owl, the carrion, the vulture and the cormorant, the stork, the heron of any kind and the hoopoe bat.

**Insects:** all insects that have wings.

**Creatures that died naturally:** Israel could not eat anything that died naturally because they were a people holy to the LORD their God, but they could give it to the sojourner who was in their towns or sell it to a foreigner, neither was Israel to boil a young goat in its mother's milk.

**Tithing:** Israel was to tithe all the yield of their seed that comes from the field year by year, and eat it in the place that the LORD chose, to make his name dwell so that they might learn to fear the LORD always.

**If they travelled great distances:** if the way was too long so that they were unable to carry the tithe to the place the LORD chose, they could turn the tithe into

money and go to the place that the LORD chose and spend the money for whatever food or drink their appetites desired or craved, oxen, sheep, wine or strong drink, then eat and drink at the place the LORD chose and rejoice with their household.

**The Levites:** the people of the towns, villages and cities were not to neglect the Levite who is in their towns, villages and cities, because they had no portion or inheritance with Israel.

**A three year tithe:** at the end of every three years Israel was to bring out all the tithe of their produce in the same year and lay it up in their towns, then the Levite, the sojourner, the fatherless and the widow, who are in their towns, could come and eat and be filled.

**Conclusion:** if Israel kept all these laws the LORD their God would bless them in all the work that they did.

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End.