Human Imperfections
Leviticus 13-14

Main Point:
Look to Jesus Christ to overcome your imperfections and bring you to the LORD.

1. Your imperfections defile you before the LORD.

2. Your imperfections cut you off from the LORD.

3. Your imperfections can be overcome for you by the LORD.

John Currid "One principle that is clear from the Cleanliness Code of Leviticus is the teaching that wholeness symbolizes holiness. Distortions represent impurity, uncleanness, sin, and a curse. A person who has a malignant skin disease is incomplete and, therefore, unholy and unclean."

John Currid "These are all signs of mourning in the Old Testament … They are symbols that this person is, in a sense, ritually dead. He is to have no access to the tabernacle or to the covenant community …"

Kenneth Mathews "It is inappropriate for men and women to enter into the presence of God when they exhibit the signs of decay and death. The purity laws acknowledge the challenge that humans face …"

Ephesians 2:1-3 1 And you *He made alive,* who were dead in trespasses and sins, 2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, 3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. (NKJV)

Isaiah 59:2 2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden *His* face from you, So that He will not hear. (NKJV)

John Currid "Full and complete restoration between the man and Yahweh is being signaled by these rituals."

Matthew 8:1-3 1 When He had come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed Him. 2 And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean." 3 Then Jesus put out *His* hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed. (NKJV)

Matthew 8:16-17 16 When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, 17 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses." (NKJV)

1 John 1:7 7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. (NKJV)