Dog Meat Soup, Now Being Served At The 2018 Winter Olympics

It has been widely reported that South Korean restaurants have been continually selling bosintang, a dog meat soup dish, in the vicinity of the 2018 Winter Olympics that are being hosted by the city of Pyeongchang, South Korea.

American Christians are horrified to learn that South Koreans breed and raise dogs for their dog meat, keeping them cramped in tight cages, and then having them slaughtered and served in restaurants for human consumption.

Americans and Western nations in general love dogs and keep them as pets. Other nations and peoples do not have the same love for dogs as Americans do.

The mainstream American Christian rightly thinks of dogs as man's best friend, not an animal that is to be slaughtered and eaten. Yet many other people of the world do not share our affection for dogs. Koreans and Muslims do not regard dogs as special creatures. In Korea, it is culturally acceptable to eat dog meat. Who do Americans think they are to dictate what is acceptable to be eaten as meat in another culture? American Christians commonly eat pork and shellfish. Like the Korean dogs, American pigs are bred, kept in tight cages, and are raised to be slaughtered and served in American homes and restaurants.



Are Christians hypocrites in declaring that Koreans are wrong for eating dog meat, while they themselves consume pork and shellfish?

Who or what determines what animal may be eaten for its meat, and what animal should not be eaten? Should meat consumption be determined by country, culture, or feelings? God, the Creator, has declared to us, through the Scriptures, what animals may be eaten and what animals may not be eaten.

THE LAW OF CLEAN AND UNCLEAN CREATURES

LEVITICUS 11:46-47 (NKJV):

This is the law of the animals and the birds and every living creature that moves in the waters, and of every creature that creeps on the earth, to distinguish between the unclean and the clean, and between the animal that may be eaten and the animal that may not be eaten.

Dogs, pigs, and shellfish are not for food or meat for human consumption...

LEVITICUS 11:27 (NKJV):

And whatever goes on its paws, among all kinds of animals that go on all fours, those are unclean to you.

LEVITICUS 11:3-8 (and DEUTERONOMY 14:6-8) (NKJV):

Among the animals, whatever divides the hoof, having cloven hooves and chewing the cud-that you may eat. Nevertheless these you shall not eat among those that chew the cud or those that have cloven hooves: the camel, because it chews the cud but does not have cloven hooves, is unclean to you; the rock hyrax, because it chews the cud but does not have cloven hooves, is unclean to you; the hare, because it chews the cud but does not have cloven hooves, is unclean to you; AND THE SWINE, though it divides the hoof, having cloven hooves, yet does not chew the cud, is unclean to you. Their flesh you shall not eat, and their carcasses you shall not touch. They are unclean to you.

LEVITICUS 11:9-12 (and DEUTERONOMY 14:9-11) (NKJV):

These you may eat of all that are in the water: whatever in the water has fins and scales, whether in the seas or in the rivers-that you may eat. But all in the seas or in the rivers that do not have fins and scales, all that move in the water or any living thing which is in the water, they are an abomination to you. They shall be an abomination to you; you shall not eat their flesh, but you shall regard their carcasses as an abomination. Whatever in the water does not have fins or scales-that shall be an abomination to you.

The mainstream Christian belief is that the law of clean and unclean creatures has been done away with in the New Testament, and believers can eat all creatures now. Mainstream Christian theology is in error in declaring that the laws of clean and unclean creatures, listed in Leviticus 11 and Deuteronomy 14, have been abolished. Mainstream Christian teachings have used Scripture, twisting it, to discard the dietary laws. The rest of this article will be a crash course on why God's dietary laws, the law of clean and unclean creatures, remain in effect to this day and always will remain in effect.

EVERY MOVING THING THAT LIVES IS FOOD

GENESIS 9:3 (NKJV):

Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. I have given you all things, even as the green herbs.

Christians use Genesis 9:3 to proclaim that they can eat pork and shellfish, as every moving thing that lives is food for man. Well then Christians, STOP being hypocrites in criticizing the Koreans for eating dog! Dogs are moving things too. Join the Koreans for a bowl of dog meat soup. While you are at it, break out the slugs, worms, and roaches and eat them, proving to the world that every moving thing is food!

Genesis 9:3 must be read and understood in the context in which it was written. Genesis 9:3 was spoken by God to Noah, as Noah was disembarking from the ark after the great flood subsided. While on the ark, Noah and the animals aboard the ark were restricted from eating animals and ate grain only, so that the animals would be preserved.

GENESIS 6:21 (NKJV):

And you shall take for yourself of all food that is eaten, and you shall gather it to yourself; and it shall be food for you and for them.

Here is the true meaning of Genesis 9:3. Every moving thing that was food for you (clean creatures) before you got on the ark shall once again be food for you as you disembark from the ark.

On to the New Testament...

EAT ALL MEAT IN THE MEAT MARKET AND WHATEVER IS SET BEFORE YOU

<u>1 CORINTHIANS 10:25-30 (NKJV)</u>:

Eat whatever is sold in the meat market, asking no questions for conscience' sake; for "the earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness."

If any of those who do not believe invites you to dinner, and

you desire to go, eat whatever is set before you, asking no question for conscience' sake. But if anyone says to you, "This was offered to idols," do not eat it for the sake of the one who told you, and for conscience' sake; for "the earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness." "Conscience," I say, not your own, but that of the other. For why is my liberty judged by another man's conscience? But if I partake with thanks, why am I evil spoken of for the food over which I give thanks?

The conscience' sake issue is whether or not the meat was first offered to an idol. A modern day application is whether or not the meat in question is Halal meat, having been slaughtered by a Muslim in the name of Allah. Since there is no other god and idols have no power to defile meat, believers need not concern themselves with whether or not the meat was first offered to an idol or a false god. Believers are to eat whatever meat is sold, and whatever food is set before them. Unclean creatures are not meat for humans, nor are they food. Likewise, believers should eat whatever FOOD is set before them, not exactly whatever is set before them, for then they would need to eat the cups, dishes, and utensils too. Neither dog, nor pork, nor shellfish, if sold in the meat market, is meat for human consumption.

YESHUA (JESUS) PURIFIED ALL FOODS

MARK 7:18-20 (NKJV):

So He said to them, "Are you thus without understanding also? Do you not perceive that whatever enters a man from outside cannot defile him, because it does not enter his heart but his stomach, and is eliminated, thus purifying all foods?" And He said, "What comes out of a man, that defiles a man."

The misunderstanding here among Christians is in believing that unclean creatures are food. Yeshua (Jesus) never ate an unclean creature, nor did He cleanse them for human consumption. Unclean creatures are unclean. Unclean creatures are not unclean food, which would indicate that they are a type of food, albeit an unhealthy food. Unclean creatures are unclean and are not to be considered food at all.

Yeshua (Jesus) was commenting on eating food with unwashed hands. Eating food in this manner cannot defile a man's character.

Eating unclean creatures out of ignorance cannot defile a man's character, but eating unclean creatures, or anything harmful, can certainly defile a man's body.

LET NO ONE JUDGE YOU IN FOOD OR DRINK

COLOSSIANS 2:16 (NKJV):

So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or Sabbaths...

Colossians 2:16 was not written to the modern day Christian; it was written to the new Messianic Torah observant convert of the Apostle Paul's time. Here is how Colossians 2:16 should be properly understood...

COLOSSIANS 2:16 (NKJV):

So let no one judge you [DO NOT BE CONCERNED WITH ANYONE'S JUDGMENT] in food or in drink [GOD'S DIETARY LAWS WHICH YOU ARE FOLLOWING], or regarding a festival [GOD'S FESTIVALS – LEVITICUS 23] or a new moon* or [7TH DAY] Sabbaths...

*Christians have never observed new moon Sabbaths as part of their faith. Collosians was not written to the modern day Christian.

RISE PETER, KILL AND EAT

<u>ACTS 10:10-14 (NKJV)</u>:

Then he became very hungry and wanted to eat; but while they made ready, he fell into a trance and saw heaven opened and an object like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth. In it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air. And a voice came to him, "Rise, Peter; kill and eat."

But Peter said, "Not so, Lord! For I have never eaten anything common or unclean." And a voice spoke to him again the second time, "What God has cleansed you must not call common."

Peter never did eat any unclean creature as a result of receiving his vision. As a matter of fact, no saint in the entire Bible, Old or New Testament, was ever recorded to have eaten an unclean creature.

Peter later revealed in Acts 10 what his vision really meant, what God had cleansed that Peter should not call common: the non-Jewish Gentile people of the world...

ACTS 10:28 (NKJV):

Then he said to them, "You know how unlawful it is for a Jewish man to keep company with or associate with one of another nation. But God has shown me that I should not call ANY MAN common or unclean..."

EVERY CREATURE OF GOD IS GOOD FOR FOOD

<u>1 TIMOTHY 4:4-5 (NKJV)</u>:

For every creature of God is good and nothing to be refused if it be received with thanksgiving. For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

Every creature is good for food IF it is sanctified by the word of God to be consumed as food. Unclean creatures are not sanctified by the word of God as food. Prayer cannot cleanse unclean creatures. Christians who believe that they can cleanse unclean creatures through prayer are in error.

ISAIAH 66:17 (NKJV):

"Those who sanctify themselves and purify themselves, to go to the gardens after an idol in the midst, eating swine's flesh and the abomination and the mouse, shall be consumed together," says YHWH (the Lord).

Isaiah 66:17 describes your typical outdoor summer BBQ pig roast at a Catholic residence, where there typically stands an idol statue of Mary in the midst of the backyard garden. Praying over unclean creatures will not make them clean. God warns that whoever eats unclean creatures will be consumed...WITH DISEASE.

Christians lead the world in acquiring cancer. It is no longer only a matter of faith to believe that unclean creatures cause illness in human beings; it has now been scientifically verified. A 2015 World Health Organization press release reported that consuming processed pork products such as bacon, pork hot dogs, and sausage causes cancer. Numerous government studies have declared the danger of eating shellfish, but rather than telling consumers to refrain from eating shellfish, governments typically instruct the public to cook shellfish well.



<u>JOB 14:4 (NKJV)</u>: Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? No one!

There is a certain cause and effect for things. If one fornicates with many sex partners, the consequences could be

an unwanted pregnancy and / or a sexually transmitted disease. If one smokes cigarettes, that person can expect to have damaged lungs and will likely acquire lung cancer.

BUT MY GRANDMA ATE BACON FOR BREAKFAST EVERY DAY AND LIVED TO 100!

OK, but I'd bet granny was quite feeble for a good portion of her latter years. With pork, as with cigarettes, some people eat or smoke and live longer, while some get cancer early in life and die prematurely. The continued consumption of unclean creatures, be it dog, pork, or shellfish, will certainly cause a person to become feeble in old age, if that person happens to live long.

WHEN THE HEBREWS DEPARTED FROM EGYPT, THERE WERE NONE FEEBLE

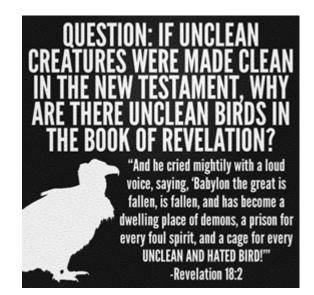
PSALM 105:37 (NKJV):

He also brought them out with silver and gold, and *there was* none feeble among His tribes.

Imagine a whole nation, the elderly included, and no one is feeble. The good health of a nation is not exclusive to the Jews...

Before the arrival of the Europeans in America, the North American Plains Indians consumed a diet consisting of bison (a clean mammal) and vegetation. The Plains Indians typically lived to be 85 to 90 years old and **never** acquired cancer, heart disease, or even suffered a heart attack. It is believed that the Plains Indians, as a people, would have lived well beyond 100 years with adequate dental care.

BE LIKE MOSES



DEUTERONOMY 34:7 (NKJV):

Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished.

Cigarettes were once advertised as being healthy for you. The time came when the scientific evidence was so overwhelming that cigarette smoking was detrimental to a person's overall health, that it could no longer be denied that cigarettes were harmful. The time is now here and the evidence is in about Scripturally declared unclean creatures. Human consumption of Scripturally listed unclean creatures is harmful to human health.

NEVER TOO LATE TO START EATING RIGHT

The human body's cells are dying and being replaced all the time. A person can literally replace many of the bad cells of their body with healthier cells if that person eats right going forward.

GOD THE DESIGNER HAS DETERMINED PROPER DIET; CULTURE DOES NOT

If American Christians believe and proclaim that God has cleansed all creatures to be eaten as food, then they are being hypocritical and have no moral standing if they criticize the Koreans for eating dog meat. [DISCLAIMER: The opinion in this article is the opinion of the author and is not necessarily the opinion of NewsWithViews.com, it's employees, representatives, or other contributing writers.]

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