Veritas Class April 7, 2013

The Invitation to Joy and Satisfaction at Home (12:15-27; cont'd)

A. Moses' Provision

- (1) They may eat meat in proportion to YHWH's blessing (v. 15).
- (2) They may eat meat in their gates to their hearts' content (v. 21).
- (3) Both the clean and the unclean may eat of it (vv. 15, 22).
- (4) They may eat the meat of domestic animals like they do wild game (vv. 15, 22).

B. Moses' Caution

C. The Significance of this Text

- 1. For Vegetarianism?
- 2. For Dietary Boundaries (cf. 14:1-21)
- 3. For Consumption of Blood
 - a. Note the Antecedent in Gen 9:3-4
 - b. The New Testament Affirmation (Acts 15:20)

No Other Gods (12:29-13:18)

A. Characteristics of this text:

- 1. It consists of two parts:
 - a. Thesis statement (12:29-32)
 - b. Three part exposition (13:1-18)
- 2. Each of the four parts begins with "When/If then you." (12:29; 13:1; 13:6; 13:12)
- 3. It is punctuated by sermonic charges: (12:32; 13:4; 13:18)
- 4. It is laced with motive clauses:
 - Positive:12:31; 13:3, 5, 10, 18.Negative:12:30Other:13:11
- 5. In each segment Moses introduces a hypothetical interlocutor: (12:30; 13:2, 6, 13).
- 6. Moses appeals to the people's hearts by reminding them repeatedly of their special relationship with YHWH.

B. The General Warning against Spiritual Defection (12:29-32)

- 1. The Context of the Problem (vv. 29-30a)
- 2. The Nature of the Problem (v. 30b)
- 3. The Prescribed Response to the Problem (vv. 30-32)
 - a. The Particular Response (v. 31a)
 - b. The Grounds for the Response (vv. 31b)
 - c. The Seriousness of the Response (v. 32)