Christ Died For A Reason

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"You shall not intermarry with them, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, for they would turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods. Then the anger of the Lord would be kindled against you, and he would destroy you quickly."

Deuteronomy 7:3-4

"Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover."

John 18:28

"And he said to them, "You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation, but God has shown me that I should not call any person common or unclean."

Acts 10:28

"The concern was a Jewish person would become unclean during the visit with a Gentile who had contact with unclean food and other types of uncleanness from the viewpoint of the Torah.

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"If there is a dispute between men, they are to go to court, and the judges will hear their case. They will clear the innocent and condemn the guilty."

Deuteronomy 25:1

"May you judge your servants, condemning the wicked man by bringing what he has done on his own head and providing justice for the righteous by rewarding him according to his righteousness."

2 Chronicles 6:23

"The Lord God will help me; therefore I have not been humiliated; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. 8 The one who vindicates me is near; who will contend with me? Let us confront each other. Who has a case against me? Let him come near me!"

"But to the one who does not work, but believes on him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited for righteousness." "After his anguish, he will see light and be satisfied. By his knowledge, my righteous servant will justify many, and he will carry their iniquities.

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