

It doesn't say what their wrong ways are. It's wrong. It is their way instead of His. They go, but it doesn't say what they are. Up to this point we don't have much specific on it. (Question):(11). Yes, the ~~half~~ last half of three you get specific don't you? The first half of three is general. The last half is specific. And the specific thing is - they sacrificed in gardens, and they burned incense on altars of brick, and He had commanded them to sacrifice only in the temple, and He had commanded them to make altars in a certain types, so that here is ignoring of His desire, for their religious life. It is still after their own thoughts. They are ignoring His plan, They are following their plan. They are sacrificing in ways that are not what He has commanded. There is nothing morally wrong, thus far. But there is ceremonially wrong - ignoring that the way that He pointed out. It's rebellion. "Them which remain among the graves and lodge in the monuments." I must confess I don't know what that means. That remain among the graves and lodge in the monuments. I don't know what that means. Whether it is literal. If so, just what does it mean? Or is it a figurative thing, that points to tying up with their ancestors, instead of going ahead to the present life. "Thou never barest rule over them. We are thine." Could it be tied up with the living among the dead. Claiming the virtues of those who are gone, instead of having any among their own. Remain among the graves and lodge among the monuments. I really don't know whether that would be justifiable or not. But what about the last half of b. They eat swine's flesh and the broth of abominable things are in their vessels. We are still on the note of their going after their own thoughts, aren't we. There is nothing immoral ~~about~~ about eating swine's flesh, and making broth of snakes and lizards and things. There is nothing immoral about that. The departing from the way that He has laid out for them.

I've even heard that rattlesnakes make very good steaks. I've never had one. I imagine that's what it means, by abominable - broth of abominable things. But then in verse 5 what do we have? "Which say, stand by yourself. Don't come near me. I'm holier than you are." Phariasaicism. In the Luthern, refusal to represent God, and do His will and reach people for Him, but rather a spiritual pride. I'm holier than thou. Well, maybe He was holier. He doesn't say whether they weren't or were. But He does say that they are laying claims to an earthly goodness when there is none good but