

Update: What Happens if All the Red Heifers Are Disqualified?

For those following the red heifer project in Israel, a pressing question has emerged: what happens if all the heifers are disqualified or age out before the ceremony can take place?

Byron Stinson, the man responsible for locating and transporting these rare cattle to Israel, recently provided Charisma News an important update that directly addresses this concern:

“Out of the five, three are still pure and could still be used for the ceremony. Two have started growing a couple of white or black hairs that disqualify them for the ceremony. They’re still very good animals that could produce another red heifer,” Stinson explains.

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Rather than allowing the disqualified heifers to go to waste, Stinson reveals the rabbis have already taken action to ensure the future availability of red heifers.

“So what we’ve done, and you’ll be only the second one to hear about this, is we have actually arranged for the cows to be inseminated with semen from the reddest bulls that we could find in the whole world. And so we now have those two reinseminated. And of course, they could have a bull calf instead of a heifer calf. We won’t know about that, but we’re starting that process. So we’re going to build a herd out of any that aren’t used. It’s only one needed for the ceremony. And so we’re doing that just for future generations.”

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This step marks a significant shift, as it means that future red heifers will be bred directly in Israel, reducing the reliance on searching the world for these rare animals.

As Christians, we do not believe in the purifying power of the blood of the red heifers. It is only the blood of Jesus Christ that washes us white as snow (Isa. 1:18). However, we recognize the prophetic significance of the red heifer and the temple preparations as an indicator of the times we live in. Jesus Himself commanded His followers to remain alert and discerning regarding the signs of the end times (Matt. 24:42-44).

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Stinson confirmed that the remaining heifers are currently in Shiloh, a historically significant site for red heifer ceremonies in ancient Israel.

“Yes, the cows are in Shiloh, which... is the place where there would have been a red heifer ceremony, just as there was a red heifer ceremony in the wilderness with Moses when the tabernacle was first built, and then there had been a red heifer ceremony at Gilgal. And then there would have been red heifer ceremonies up there at Shiloh. And so the cows have been down by Gilgal first. Now they’re at Shiloh, and we need to take one with a priest that’s prepared for this ceremony and do that on the Mount of Olives.”

The work is far from over, and efforts are in place to ensure that the required elements for the ritual remain available for the future. Whether or not the red heifer ceremony occurs soon, the developments in Israel continue to remind believers to be watchful and prepared, for the day of the Lord is drawing near.

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