

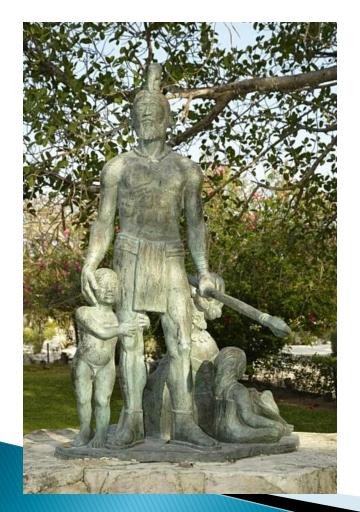
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- Under the O.T. law:
 - The law of Moses clearly forbad the practice to getting tattoos. Lev. 19:28
 - This is the only verse in all of scripture that forbids tattoos. What was the purpose for such prohibition?
 - Many laws in the O.T. that don't explain why they had such prohibitions. Exam. Lev. 19:27; 11:1-8
 - But it is clear that the reason for some of these laws was to make His people separate from the rest.

Lev. 20:7; 26:12; Exo. 33:15-16

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Gonzalo Guerrero, a Spaniard who had been captured by the Maya people in 1511, after receiving word from Hernan Cortez about returning to Spain with him, said this to Jeronimo de Aguilar, who was also enslaved by the Maya's "My face is tattooed and my ears are pierced. What would the Spaniards say about me if they saw me like this?"

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 - Our bodies are for the purpose of honoring God.
 1 Cor. 10:31; 1 Thess. 4:3-7
 - Tattoos are often used to call attention, but often is the wrong attention. 1 Tim. 2:9-10; 1 Pet. 3:3-4

Many use them as a fashion trend, but some tattoos still have a negative connotation to them.



