

Yahuah's Covenant Notes – PART 3 (Lolita D)

The role of the High Priest

Had to be of the Levite tribe and a descendant of Aaron.

Had to be whole physically without any defects and holy in character (Exodus 28:1; Numbers 18:7)(Leviticus 21:6-8)

1) The priests served as mediators between the people and Yahuah. They took the peoples sacrifices and offered them up to Yahuah

Lev 4:16 And the priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's blood to the tabernacle of the congregation:

Lev 4:20 And he shall do with the bullock as he did with the bullock for a sin offering, so shall he do with this: and the priest shall make an atonement for them, and it shall be forgiven them.

2) The high priest represented the whole nation before Yahuah.

Exo 28:11 With the work of an engraver in stone, like the engravings of a signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones with the names of the children of Israel: thou shalt make them to be set in ouches of gold.

Exo 28:12 And thou shalt put the two stones upon the shoulders of the ephod for stones of memorial unto the children of Israel: and Aaron shall bear their names before their Elohim upon his two shoulders for a memorial.

3) The priests interceded on behalf of the people before Yahuah

Lev 9:22 And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the people, and blessed them, and came down from offering of the sin offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings.

Lev 9:23 And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation, and came out, and blessed the people: and the glory of Yahuah appeared unto all the people.

Lev 9:24 And there came a fire out from before Yahuah, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all the people saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces.

Aaron's Blessing

Num 6:22 And Yahuah spake unto Moses, saying,

Num 6:23 Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of Israel, saying unto them,

Num 6:24 Yahuah bless thee, and keep thee:

Num 6:25 Yahuah make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

Num 6:26 Yahuah lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

Num 6:27 And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel; and I will bless them.

4) The Priest would ask council from Yahuah regarding decisions of judgement.

URIM: *oo-reem'*

lights; Urim, the oracular brilliancy of the figures in the high priests breastplate as an emblem of complete LIGHT.



THUMMIM: *toom-meem'*

perfections, that is, one of the epithets of the objects in the high priests breastplate as an emblem of complete TRUTH.



Exo 28:30 And thou shalt put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before Yahuah: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before Yahuah continually.

5) The most important duty of the High Priest was on the Day of Atonement (the 10th day of the 7th month). He was the only one allowed to enter the Holy of Holies which is behind the veil. He made a sacrifice for himself and made sacrifice for the people, and then he would bring the blood into the Holy of Holies and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat. (Lev 16: 14 - 16)

Lev 16:14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward; and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times.

Lev 16:15 Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that is for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:

Lev 16:16 And he shall make an atonement for the holy place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

Exo 30:10 And Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it once in a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations: it is most holy unto Yahuah your Elohim.

The duties of the Levites

1) They bear the ark of the Covenant

Deu 10:8 At that time Yahuah separated the tribe of Levi, to bear the ark of the covenant of your Elohim, to stand before Yahuah to minister unto him, and to bless in his name, unto this day.

Deu 10:9 Wherefore Levi hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren; Yahuah is his inheritance, according as Yahuah thy Elohim promised him.

2) The Levites were members of the same tribe but not descendants of Aaron. They were aides to the priests

by doing preparations of sacrifices and maintenance of the temple.

Num 1:50 But thou shalt appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of testimony, and over all the vessels thereof, and over all things that belong to it: they shall bear the tabernacle, and all the vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it and shall encamp round about the tabernacle.

3) They also served as musicians, singers, and doorkeepers.

See 1 Chronicles 23

4) The Levites were the teachers of the Law

Deu 24:8 Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do.

Deu 33:10 They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.

Neh 8:1 And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the water

gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Yahuah had commanded to Israel.

Neh 8:2 And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month. *

Neh 8:3 And he read therein before the street that was before the water gate from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive unto the book of the law.

Neh 8:4 And Ezra the scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam.

Neh 8:5 And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood up:

Neh 8:6 And Ezra blessed Yahuah, the great Elohim. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped Yahuah with their faces to the ground.

Neh 8:7 Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah,



Speak unto the children of Israel, saying,
In the seventh month,
in the first day of the month,
shall ye have a sabbath,
a MEMORIAL OF BLOWING OF TRUMPETS,
an holy convocation.

Leviticus 23:24

...for the day
of YAH is coming.
It is CLOSE at hand.

Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah,
and the Levites, caused
the people to understand
the law: and the people
stood in their place.

Neh 8:8 So they read in
the book in the law of
Yahuah distinctly, and
gave the sense, and
caused them to

understand the reading.

*(Note: the people were gathered on the 1st day of the 7th month
which is Yom Teruah-Feast of Trumpets)

5)The Levites were also the judges

Deu 21:5 And the priests the sons of Levi shall come
near; for them Yahuah thy Elohim hath chosen to minister

unto him, and to bless in the name of Yahuah; and by their word shall every controversy and every stroke be tried:

Deu 17:9 And thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites, and unto the judge that shall be in those days, and enquire; and they shall shew thee the sentence of judgment:

6) The Levites were responsible for just weights and measures

Lev 19:35 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.

Lev 19:36 Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I am Yahuah your Elohim, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.

Yahusha the High Priest

Heb 9:1 Then verily the first *covenant* had also ordinances of divine service, and a worldly sanctuary.

Heb 9:2 For there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein *was* the candlestick, and the table, and the shewbread; which is called the sanctuary.

Heb 9:3 And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all;

Heb 9:4 Which had the golden censer, and the ark

of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein *was* the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;

Heb 9:5 And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.

Heb 9:6 Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service *of Yahuah*.

Heb 9:7 But into the second *went* the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and *for* the errors of the people:

Heb 9:8 The Ruah Ha-Kodesh this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:

Heb 9:9 Which *was* a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience;

Heb 9:10 *Which stood* only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed *on them* until the time of reformation.

Redemption Through the Blood of Yahusha

Heb 9:11 But Yahusha being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to

say, not of this building;

Heb 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption *for us.*

Heb 9:13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:

Heb 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Yahusha, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to Yahuah, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living Elohim?

Heb 9:15 And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions *that were* under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

Heb 9:16 For where a testament *is*, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator.

Heb 9:17 For a testament *is* of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.

Heb 9:18 Whereupon neither the first *testament* was dedicated without blood.

Heb 9:19 For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people,

Heb 9:20 Saying, This *is* the blood of the testament which Yahuah hath enjoined unto you.

Heb 9:21 Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.

Heb 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

Heb 9:23 *It was* therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.

Heb 9:24 For Yahusha is not entered into the holy places made with hands, *which are* the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of Yahuah for us:

Heb 9:25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;

Heb 9:26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Heb 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

Heb 9:28 So Yahusha was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.