

Lesson 3 – Priest Working for the Lord

God selected the Levite men to be priests. He selected Aaron to be the High Priest and his sons to be priests. God told Moses to bring Aaron and his sons before the people to be consecrated (set apart).

The priests and the High Priest were to wear very special clothes. When the people were assembled at the Tent of Meeting or Tabernacle, Moses said, “This is what the Lord said should be done.”

Moses put a tunic or long under dress on Aaron and tied a sash around him. He put a robe on him and put on an ephod. He tied the ephod with a skillfully woven waistband. Then a breastplate was put over all this with beautiful stones.

A turban was put on Aaron’s head and attached the sacred diadem (diamond) to the turban. Then, Aaron’s sons were dressed in their tunics and headbands. Their dress was not as elaborate as that of Aaron.

An offering was sacrificed for Aaron and his sons for their forgiveness so they might be clean. Blood was put on their right thumb and right toe and right ear.

Aaron and his sons put animals on the alter for the people. The glory of the Lord appeared and burned up the sacrifices. They knew God’s presence was there by the pillar of fire and cloud.

Later, two of Aaron’s sons, Nadab and Abihu, were preparing to offer a sacrifice. However, they did not follow all of God’s instructions of how to do it. The fire they were using consumed them or burned them up.

This shows us God wants exact obedience. God was pleased with that kind of obedience. He is not pleased with half obedience. These priests were not whole-hearted. They were careless

The priests were to be holy. They were housed and fed in the tabernacle since they could not work normally. God always takes care of those who work for Him.

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QUESTIONS

- T F 1. The priests were all Levites.
- T F 2. Moses was the High Priest.
- T. F 3. Nadab was one of Aaron's sons. .
- T F 4. Moses followed all of God's instructions.
- T F 5. The priests were shabby in dress.
- T F 6. The breastplate had 12 stones.
- T F 7. The turban was a hat.
- T F 8. Nadab and Abihu always followed rules.
- T F 9. Fire consumed the two priests.
- T F 10. Hur took their places
- T F 11. God expects complete obedience.
- T F 12. God is pleased with half obedience.