

Priests (Leviticus 8)

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus. // 1 Timothy 2:5

Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. // Hebrews 13:15

Public Declaration to Serve

- Aaron and his sons are presented publicly before the congregation to be ordained to serve God as priests.
- Exodus 40:12-15
- Acts 6:6
- Acts 13:1-3
- 1 Timothy 4:14

A Position of Service

- *You shall make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it, like the engraving of a signet, "Holy to the Lord." // Exodus 28:36*
- The colors were important because those were also the colors of the tabernacle's curtains and veils, so the priest matched the tabernacle. The colors showed that the priest and the tabernacle went together. // Allan Moseley "Exalting Jesus in Leviticus"
- *even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. // Matthew 20:28*

Consecrated to Serve

- Aaron and his sons are anointed with oil to signify being separated out for a purpose.
- Anointed is the word *Meshiach* (this is where we get the word Messiah/Christ)
- Anointing is a symbol that refers to God blessing us with position and power. // Allan Moseley "Exalting Jesus in Leviticus"
- 2 Corinthians 1:21-22
- *But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge. // 1 John 2:20*

Seek Purification for Service

- Hebrews 7:26-27
- 2 Timothy 2:20-21
- 1 John 1:7-9

Demonstrate Dedication to Serve

- *I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. // Romans 12:1*

Enjoying Communion with God in Serving

- *But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. // 1 Peter 2:9*
- John 15:12-17