

## Midrash *Tetzaveh* (“You Shall Command”) Exodus 27:20 – 30:10

In the **Covenant Relationship**, Yehovah anointed Israel a Kingdom of Priests...  
...in the **Broken Covenant Relationship**, Yehovah imposed upon them the Aaronic Priesthood

<b>The Oil for the Menorah</b>	Pure, Beaten Oil...to Burn Eternally	<b>Exodus 27:20-21</b>													
<b>The High Priest’s Garments</b>		<b>Exodus 28:1-43</b>													
<b>The Ephod:</b>	Linen (righteousness) with <table style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle; margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Gold</td><td>=</td><td>Deity</td></tr> <tr><td>Blue</td><td>=</td><td>Heavenly</td></tr> <tr><td>Purple</td><td>=</td><td>Royalty</td></tr> <tr><td>Crimson</td><td>=</td><td>Blood</td></tr> </table>	Gold	=	Deity	Blue	=	Heavenly	Purple	=	Royalty	Crimson	=	Blood	Verses 4-6	
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<b>Stones on Ephod:</b>	Two Onyx Stones Attached with Gold Chains Names of Tribes in Birth Order (6 on Each)	Verses 9-14													
<b>Breastplate:</b>	Same Materials & Colors as the Ephod 12 Stones – One for Each Tribe – Also in Birth Order	Verses 15-16 Verses 17-21													
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	Corresponds to New Jerusalem Foundation Attached at Top with 2 Rings & Chains Attached at Bottom with Rings	Revelation 21:19-20 Verses 22-25 Verses 26-28													
<b>Urim (“Lights”) &amp; Tummim (“Perfection”)</b>	Mentioned	Verses 29-30													
	7 times Ex 28:30; Lev 8:8; Ezek 2:63; Neh 7:65; Deut 33:8; Num 27:21 & I Sam 28:6														
	Kept Under Breastplate to Make Decisions: Possibly Similar to Flipping a Coin Possibly Reflected Menorah Light Back to Spell the Answer Possibly used Ark’s stored energy to somehow communicate	I Sam 14:37-42													
<b>Robe: Blue</b>		Verses: 31-32													
	<b>Golden Bells:</b> פְּעָמַי <i>pa’am</i> Used nowhere else “to strike or to tread; orderly” suggests the orderly walk of the Priest... ...or they strike the ground (& “complete the circuit”?)	Verses 33-35													
	<b>Do the gold threads in High Priest’s Garments Protect him as a Faraday Cage?? Do the metal posts of Tabernacle Structure &amp; Outer Fence act as Grounding Rods??</b>														
	<b>Golden Pomegranates:</b> Found in several other places in Torah The 12 Spies = fruitfulness Many seeds = potential to reproduce itself 100X Beauty and pleasant taste	Numbers 13:23 Song of Solomon													
	When our walk is such that we are “grounded by the strikers”, then our fruit is pleasing!														
	<b>Head Plate:</b> Pure Gold (also an electrical conductor) Engraved: קֹדֶשׁ לַיהוָה “Holy to Yehovah”	Verses 36-38													
<b>Mitre (Turban):</b>	White Linen	Verse 39													

<b>Tunic:</b>	White linen	Verse 39
<b>Under Garments:</b>	Linen - From Loins to Thighs	Verse 42
<b>Garments of the Priests:</b>	<u>Same as High Priest</u>	<u>Different from High Priest</u>
	Tunic	No Ephod
	Girdle	No Bells & Pomegranates
	Head Gear	No <i>Urim &amp; Tummin</i>
	Under Garments	

**Consecrating the Sanctuary & Priests**

**Exodus 29:1-46**

The Actions done for the Priests (they did nothing):

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|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1) Taken           | Ex 28:1                       |
| 2) Brought to Door | Ex 29:4 (Threshold Covenant!) |
| 3) Washed          | Ex 29:4                       |
| 4) Clothed         | Ex 29:4-9                     |
| 5) Anointed        | Ex 29:7                       |
| 6) Hands Filled    | Ex 29:24                      |
| 7) Sanctified      | Ex 29:44                      |

**The Offerings to Consecrate the Priests:**

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|----------------|--|---------------|
| <b>Bullock</b> | <b>Sin Offering</b> - MUST be done 1 <sup>st</sup> , to atone for his sins             | Verses 10-14  |
| <b>Ram #1</b>  | <b>Burnt Offering</b> - Only <u>after</u> Sin Offering; that was God's issue with Cain | Verses 15-18  |
| <b>Ram #2</b>  | <b>Consecration:</b> (Special Offering for Priests)                                    | Verses 19-22  |
|                | Blood on Ear – “Be careful what you hear..”  | } John 13:9   |
|                | Blood on Thumb – Sanctify the work of your hands                                       |               |
|                | Blood on Toe – Sanctify your walk; the way you live                                    |               |
|                | <b>Wave &amp; Heave Offerings</b> – Fellowship Offerings                               | Verse 26 & 27 |
|                | <b>Unleavened Bread</b> Meal Offering  |               |

**The Continual Offerings:**

Verses 36-42

- Bullock** – Sin Offering – done 1<sup>st</sup>, to “cleanse” the altar
- Lambs** (morning & evening) – Peace Offering
- Meal & Drink Offerings** – Burnt & Meal Offerings always occur together

**Why is This Important to Us??** We are a ‘kingdom of priests’!

I Peter 2:9

“And I will dwell among the children ...” among – **אִתָּם** *tavek* – among

Verse 45

Israel had to leave Egypt in order for God to dwell within them ...

The Golden Calf episode prevented Him from dwelling within them ...

And, therefore, the Tabernacle - so He could dwell among them.

**We are now in a New Covenant relationship, where He dwells within us once again!**

**The Altar of Incense**

**Exodus 30:1-10**

Not listed with the rest of Furniture – Why??

Was Tended by Priests (not been consecrated yet in last week's Portion)

Wood Overlaid with Gold = Perfect Humanity

Width & Height = 1 Cubit = Unity in human relationships (Horizontal)

Height = 2 cubits = Fellowship with Yehovah (Vertical)

**Haftarah:** Ezekiel 43:10-27 Ezekiel's Temple Offerings & Altar

**Brit Chadashah:** Hebrews 9:11-15 Yeshua: The More Perfect High Priest