SERMON OUTLINE

In Leviticus 8:1-36 Moses obeys the commandment of the LORD by executing an 8-step process of consecrating Aaron & his sons for ministry.

- I. Moses assembled the congregation and gathered the supplies (vs. 1-5).
- II. Moses washed Aaron & his sons with water (v. 6).
- III. Moses dressed Aaron & his sons in appropriate apparel (vs. 7-9, 13).
- IV. Moses anointed the tabernacle and Aaron with oil (vs. 10-12).
- V. Moses offered the proper sacrifices.
 - A. Sin offering (vs. 14-17).
 - B. Burnt offering (vs. 18-21).
 - C. Ordination offering.
 - 1. Purification & dedication (vs. 22-24).
 - 2. Filled for ministry (vs. 25-28).
 - 3. For Moses the priest (v. 29).
- VI. Moses consecrates Aaron & his sons with oil and blood (v. 30).
- VII. Moses commands 7 days of ordination (vs. 31-35).
- VIII. Aaron & his sons obey the commands of the LORD (v. 36).

BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

In preparation for Sunday, July 14, 2019

Memory Passage: Exodus 29:43-46

DAY 1 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

Passage: Leviticus 8:1-36

(a) **Read Ex. 28, 29, & 30:17-38**. Today your assignment is only to read. Most of this background on the priests' adorning and consecrating, and the recipe for the anointing oil, is assumed in Leviticus 8, so reading it will be helpful for our study.

DAY 2 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 8:1-36.** As you read this chapter, (1) divide the chapter into thematic sections, (2) write down words or phrases that are repeated more than 3 times, and (3) identify the main characters involved.
- (b) Scan chapters 9-10. Chapters 8-10 form the 2nd major section of Leviticus. How does chapter 8 relate to 9-10? To chapters 1-7 (FYI: these are overarching context questions, not a call for a detailed verse-by-verse analysis)?
- (c) Who is the human in charge throughout this chapter? Why is this surprising? From where does his authority derive and what oft-repeated phrase answers this question?

DAY 3 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 8:1-9.** Why is it important for "the congregation" (most likely the elders representing all the tribes of Israel, as in 4:13) to be gathered to witness these events?
- (b) Why must Moses "wash" Aaron and his sons (v. 6)?
- (c) What do the priestly garments represent about God (cf. Ex. 28:2), and what does this accomplish for the priests?
- (d) "Urim and Thummim" (meaning "lights and perfections") are mentioned 8x in the OT. What do you learn about their purpose from reading Numb. 27:21, Deut. 33:8, 1 Sam. 28:6, Ezra 2:63, and Neh. 7:65?

DAY 4 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 8:10-30**. What does the oil represent and what does using it to anoint Aaron tell us about him and his work (cf. 1 Sam. 10:1-6; 16:13-14; Is. 61:1; Zech. 4:1-6)?
- (b) To whom does the phrase "he killed it" (vs. 15, 19, 23) refer, and on what do you base your answer?
- (c) Why is the blood of the ordination ram placed on Aaron's right ear, thumb, and big toe (cf. 14:14-18)?
- (d) Which offering does the ordination offering most resemble and why? What are the differences & similarities?

DAY 5 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

READ THE PASSAGE

- (a) **Read Lev. 8:31-36, Heb. 3:1-6, & 4:14-5:10**. Why must Aaron & his sons stay inside the tent of meeting for 7 days?
- (b) How does Heb. 3:1-6 & 4:14-5:10 help you understand the ultimate NT fulfillment of Leviticus 8?
- (c) Write down at least 6 applications for NT believers flowing from Leviticus 8 (remember, we are a "royal priesthood" [1 Pet. 2:9] and "a kingdom and priests to our God" [Rev. 1:5; 5:10; 20:6]!). Consider ideas presented in Lev. 8 along with NT passages that teach the same ideas or use the same concepts for believers. As but one example of many, consider the importance of proper clothing for the priests along with NT passages such as Rom. 13:14, Eph. 4:24ff, 6:10ff, Col. 3:12-14, et. al.

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Consecration