

Us with God

Intro:

Ex 25:8-9

the tabernacle is a picture of the incarnation

Jn 1:14

It is a picture of God with us

1 pet 2:4-5

It is a picture we proclaim

Problem:

1 pet 2:4-9

But it is only half of the picture

Main Idea:

Behold the picture of us with God

Its meant to be personal

Its meant to promise

Its meant to persuade

Implication:

(2 cor 5:16-21)

We are a picture of God with Man

We are also a picture of Man with God

We are a meant to be a walking, talking, persuasive, picture of personal and reconciliation

Application:

(1 pet 1:3-2:9)

We have been born again to a living hope, a personal, perfect, persuasive hope

We are a proclamation not only that He came to us but that we are going to Him

End:

<http://www.barabbas.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/thesis.pdf>

<https://www.gotquestions.org/priesthood-believers.html>

<https://www.gotquestions.org/ministry-of-reconciliation.html>

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Text:

Behold the picture of us with God

Ex. 28:1 ¶ "Then bring near to you Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, from among the people of Israel, to **serve me as priests**—Aaron and Aaron's sons, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar.

Ex. 28:2 And you shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, **for glory and for beauty**.

Ex. 28:3 You shall speak to all the skillful, whom I have filled with a spirit of skill, that they make Aaron's garments to consecrate him for my priesthood.

Ex. 28:4 These are the garments that they shall make: a breastpiece, an ephod (vest), a robe, a coat of checker work, a turban, and a sash (no shoes). They shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother and his sons to serve me as priests.

Ex. 28:5 They shall receive **gold, blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and fine twined linen**.

*ex 26:1, 31, 36 (humanity wrapped in glory...)
Acts 1:6-11 (we might miss the significance of this)
Acts 2:33; 5:30-31; 7:55-56 (they didn't)
heb 5:1-10 (on behalf of man in relation to God
this is the picture of the high priest clothed in
garments of glory- source of eternal salvation - Man
w/God)
(Phil 2:8-11 (God has humbly exalted Him)
(col 3:1-3, 10, 12, 14 (seated at right hand of God)*

Its meant to be personal

Ex. 28:6 ¶ "And they shall make the ephod of gold, of blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and of fine twined linen, skillfully worked.

Ex. 28:7 It shall have two shoulder pieces attached to its two edges, so that it may be joined together.

Ex. 28:8 And the skillfully woven band on it shall be made like it and be of one piece with it, of gold, blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and fine twined linen.

Ex. 28:9 **You shall take two onyx stones, and engrave on them the names of the sons of Israel**,

Ex. 28:10 six of their names on the one stone, and the names of the remaining six on the other stone, in the order of their birth.

Ex. 28:11 As a jeweler engraves signets, so shall you engrave the two stones with the names of the sons of Israel. You shall enclose them in settings of gold filigree.

Ex. 28:12 And you shall set the two stones on the shoulder pieces of the ephod, as stones of remembrance for the sons of Israel. **And Aaron shall bear their names before the LORD on his two shoulders for remembrance**.

Ex. 28:13 You shall make settings of gold filigree,

Ex. 28:14 and two chains of pure gold, twisted like cords; and you shall attach the corded chains to the settings.

Ex. 28:15 ¶ "You shall make a breastpiece of judgment, in skilled work. In the style of the ephod you shall make it—of gold, blue and purple and scarlet yarns, and fine twined linen shall you make it.

Ex. 28:16 It shall be square and doubled, a span its length and a span its breadth.

Ex. 28:17 You shall set in it four rows of stones. A row of sardius, topaz, and carbuncle shall be the first row;

Ex. 28:18 and the second row an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond;

Ex. 28:19 and the third row a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst;

Ex. 28:20 and the fourth row a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper. They shall be set in gold filigree.

Ex. 28:21 **There shall be twelve stones with their names according to the names of the sons of Israel**. They shall be like signets, each engraved with its name, for the twelve tribes.

Ex. 28:22 You shall make for the breastpiece twisted chains like cords, of pure gold.

Ex. 28:23 And you shall make for the breastpiece two rings of gold, and put the two rings on the two edges of the breastpiece.

Ex. 28:24 And you shall put the two cords of gold in the two rings at the edges of the breastpiece.

Ex. 28:25 The two ends of the two cords you shall attach to the two settings of filigree, and so attach it in front to the shoulder pieces of the ephod.

Ex. 28:26 You shall make two rings of gold, and put them at the two ends of the breastpiece, on its inside edge next to the ephod.

Ex. 28:27 And you shall make two rings of gold, and attach them in front to the lower part of the two shoulder pieces of the ephod, at its seam above the skillfully woven band of the ephod.

Ex. 28:28 And they shall bind the breastpiece by its rings to the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, so that it may lie on the skillfully woven

band of the ephod, so that the breastpiece shall not come loose from the ephod.

Ex. 28:29 **So Aaron shall bear the names of the sons of Israel in the breastpiece of judgment on his heart, when he goes into the Holy Place, to bring them to regular remembrance before the LORD**.

Ex. 28:30 And in the breastpiece of judgment you shall put the Urim and the Thummim, and they shall be on Aaron's heart, when he goes in before the LORD. **Thus Aaron shall bear the judgment of the people of Israel on his heart before the LORD regularly**.

(ezek 28:1-7 (a picture of beauty lost)

(rev 21:12-22 (a picture beauty regained - this is my son in whom I am well pleased)

heb 9:23-28 (he bore my sin)

Heb 7:22-25 (He prays for me)

Jn 10:3 (personally - by name)

(lk 12:6-7 (He knows every hair)

(ps 139:1-3, 17-18 (his thoughts towards you)

(num 27:21; 1 sam 14:41-42 (what about the urim and thumin)

1 pet 5:5-7 (the priesthood is meant to be a personal picture-me with Him)

Its meant to promise

Ex. 28:31 ¶ "You shall make the robe of the ephod all of blue.

Ex. 28:32 It shall have an opening for the head in the middle of it, with a woven binding around the opening, like the opening in a garment, so that it may not tear.

Ex. 28:33 On its hem you shall make pomegranates (forbidden fruit??) of blue and purple and scarlet yarns, around its hem, with bells of gold between them,

Ex. 28:34 a golden bell and a pomegranate, **a golden bell** and a pomegranate, around the hem of the robe.

Ex. 28:35 **And it shall be on Aaron when he ministers, and its sound shall be heard when he goes into the Holy Place before the LORD, and when he comes out, so that he does not die**.

Ex. 28:36 ¶ "You shall make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it, like the engraving of a signet, 'Holy to the LORD.'

Ex. 28:37 And you shall fasten it on the turban by a cord of blue. It shall be on the front of the turban.

Ex. 28:38 It shall be on Aaron's forehead, **and Aaron shall bear any guilt from the holy things that the people of Israel consecrate as their holy gifts. It shall regularly be on his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LORD**.

Ex. 28:39 ¶ "You shall weave the coat in checker work of fine linen, and you shall make a turban of fine linen, and you shall make a sash embroidered with needlework.

(listened outside - scary - you don't barge in on an earthly king - how much less to a Holy God - dangerous)

(Lev 11:44; 19:2; 20:7 (be holy)

(Heb 12:12-14 (holiness to see the Lord)

zech 3:1-9 (not dangerous anymore - the Branch)

Jn 19:2, 23-24 (priestly role bore your shame)

Heb 4:14-16 (represented us but without sin -

Heb 10:11-14 meant to be a perfect picture a promise)

(Lk 9:23-36 (it is meant to promise)

Its meant to persuade

Ex. 28:40 ¶ "For Aaron's sons you shall make coats and sashes and caps. **You shall make them for glory and beauty**.

Ex. 28:41 And you shall put them on Aaron your brother, and on his sons with him, and shall anoint them and ordain them and consecrate them, that they may serve me as priests.

Ex. 28:42 You shall make for them linen undergarments to cover their naked flesh. They shall reach from the hips to the thighs;

Ex. 28:43 and they shall be on Aaron and on his sons when they go into the tent of meeting or when they come near the altar to minister in the Holy Place, **lest they bear guilt and die**. This shall be a statute forever for him and for his offspring after him.

Rev 1:5-6; 5:9-10; 20:6 (israel had a priesthood (ex 19:4-6 if you obey) we are a priesthood)

2 Cor 5:1-5, 16-21 (a personified picture of reconciliation)

1 Pet 1:3-5 (born again to this hope of exaltation)

1 Pet 2:9 (a holy priesthood meant to proclaim...)

Application Questions

MESSAGE RECEIVED
(Do you understand what you learned?)

- What is the main point of this message? (Could you summarize it in your own words?)
- What is something new that you learned?
 - What was your knowledge in this area before you heard this message?
 - Any change you will make in your daily life based upon this new knowledge?
- What reference verse stands out to you and why?
- Did the message pair with your weekly bible reading in any way?
- What are some truths that stand out to you in this message?
 - Any life testimonies that you can think of that are good examples of these truths?
- What character/attribute of God stands out to you the most in this message and why?
 - Any specific verse that puts this attribute on display?

MESSAGE APPLIED
(What are you going to do with what you learned?)

Culture

- What are the lies of the world/devil that we need to be aware of that are antithetical to this message?
- What do you think the cultural animosity is towards this message if we apply it rightly?

Church

- How do you see this message impacting the church corporately? (locally/globally)
 - What prayers would be good to pray for the church body based on this message?

Individual

- Is there a sin in your life that this message convicted you of?
 - Why do you think this was a blind spot in your sanctification before this message?
- How did the message address any specific life circumstance you are going through right now?

- Select two questions from the below list and write down your answer to them:
 - How does this message change or impact your:
 - Prayer Life?
 - Evangelism?
 - Bible Reading?
 - Christian Relationships?
 - Non-Christian relationships?
 - Parenting?
 - Role as a Husband/Wife?
 - Workplace?
- **How have you been changed by this message? What is your one memorable takeaway. If I ask you “How did God sanctify you through the preaching of this message, how would you respond?”**