



# ~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

**Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing**



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## Prayer

Lord, as I step out in faith to do something new, I realize there will always be obstacles that try to get in my way. So today I am asking You to help me stay tougher than any problems that may arise. Help me maintain the attitude that says, "I'm not moving until I see my dream come to pass!" I understand that if I am going to do great things for You, I must be constant, stable, dependable, inflexible, unbending, and unyielding in the face of challenges. With Your help, I know this is exactly the kind of person I will be, in Jesus' name. Amen.

## Scripture

Leviticus 8: 1-36 (AMP)

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 2 Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the garments, and the anointing oil, and a bullock for the sin offering, and two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread; 3 And gather thou all the congregation together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. 4 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him; and the assembly was gathered together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. 5 And Moses said unto the congregation, This is the thing which the LORD commanded to be done. 6 And Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water. 7 And he put upon him the coat, and girded him with the girdle, and clothed him with the robe, and put the ephod upon him, and he girded him with the curious girdle of the ephod, and bound it unto him therewith. 8 And he put the breastplate upon him: also he put in the breastplate the Urim and the Thummim. 9 And he put the mitre upon his head; also upon the mitre, even upon his forefront, did he put the golden plate, the holy crown; as the LORD commanded Moses. 10 And Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and all that was therein, and sanctified them. 11 And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all his vessels, both the laver and his foot, to sanctify them. 12 And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him. 13 And Moses brought Aaron's sons, and put coats upon them, and girded them with girdles, and put bonnets upon them; as the LORD commanded Moses. 14 And he brought the bullock for the sin offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the bullock for the sin offering. 15 And he slew it; and Moses took the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about with his finger, and purified the altar, and poured the blood at the bottom of the altar, and sanctified it, to make reconciliation upon it. 16 And he took all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses burned it upon the altar. 17 But the bullock, and his hide, his flesh, and his dung, he burnt with fire without the camp; as the LORD commanded Moses. 18 And he brought the ram for the burnt offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. 19 And he killed it; and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. 20 And he cut the ram into pieces; and Moses burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat. 21 And he washed the inwards and the legs in water; and Moses burnt the whole ram upon the altar: it was a burnt sacrifice for a sweet savour, and an offering made by fire unto the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses. 22 And he brought the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. 23 And he slew it; and Moses took of the blood of it, and put it upon the tip of Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot. 24 And he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. 25 And he took the fat, and the rump, and all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right shoulder: 26 And out of the basket of unleavened bread, that was before the LORD, he took one unleavened cake, and a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and put them on the fat, and upon the right shoulder: 27 And he put all upon Aaron's hands, and upon his sons' hands, and waved them for a wave offering before the LORD. 28 And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt them on the altar upon the burnt offering: they were consecrations for a sweet savour: it is an offering made by fire unto the LORD. 29 And Moses took the breast, and waved it for a wave offering before the LORD: for of the ram of consecration it was Moses' part; as the LORD commanded Moses. 30 And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was upon the altar, and sprinkled it upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons'

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garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.<sup>31</sup> And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, Boil the flesh at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and there eat it with the bread that is in the basket of consecrations, as I commanded, saying, Aaron and his sons shall eat it. <sup>32</sup> And that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ye burn with fire. <sup>33</sup> And ye shall not go out of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation in seven days, until the days of your consecration be at an end: for seven days shall he consecrate you. <sup>34</sup> As he hath done this day, so the LORD hath commanded to do, to make an atonement for you. <sup>35</sup> Therefore shall ye abide at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation day and night seven days, and keep the charge of the LORD, that ye die not: for so I am commanded. <sup>36</sup> So Aaron and his sons did all things which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Leviticus 8–9. The Consecration of Aaron

Before the time of Moses, sacrifices were offered by heads of families. But now that the nation is organized, a place is set apart for sacrifice, a ritual is prescribed, and a hereditary priesthood is created in a solemn ceremony. Aaron was to be high priest, and he was to be succeeded by his firstborn son. The priesthood was maintained by tithes (one-tenth of a family's income, whether money, livestock, or produce) and parts of some sacrifices. They received 13 cities ( Joshua 21:13–19 ).

The high priest's garments . Every detail had been specified by God ( Exodus 28 ). A robe of blue, with bells at the bottom.

The ephod, which was a sort of cape or sleeveless vestment, consisting of two pieces joined on the shoulders, that hung, one at the front and one on the back, on the high priest, with an onyx stone on each shoulder, each bearing six names of the tribes: made of gold, blue, purple, scarlet, and fine linen.

The breastplate, about 10 inches square, of gold, blue, purple, scarlet, and fine linen, double, open at the top, fastened with gold chains to the Ephod, adorned with 12 precious stones, each stone bearing the name of a tribe. The breastplate contained the Urim and Thummim, which were used to learn the will of God; we don't know exactly what they were, but they were used to cast lots.

#### The Divine Origin of the Sacrificial System

God placed the system of sacrifices at the very center and heart of Jewish national life. Whatever its immediate applications and implications may have been to the Jews, the unceasing sacrifice of animals and the never-ending glow of altar fires were with out doubt designed by God to burn into the consciousness of the people of Israel a sense of their deep sinfulness. They were also, for more than a millennium, a picture that pointed forward to the coming sacrifice of Christ on the cross. The Levitical priesthood was divinely ordained to be the mediator between God and the Hebrew nation through the bringing of animal sacrifices. But those sacrifices were fulfilled in Christ. Animal sacrifices are no longer necessary. Christ Himself is our Great High Priest, the only Mediator between God and humanity, as Hebrews 8–10 makes very clear. Thus Christ is both our Sacrifice and our High Priest, our Mediator. (Halley's Bible Handbook; Henry Halley; 2000; Zondervan; Bible History and Commentaries; page 158)

Consecration Of Aaron and His Sons: VV 7-9 Aaron is being dressed for the first time in the garments of the high priest. V 10 The tabernacle is now set up and it's time to dedicate and sanctify it unto God. The word " sanctify" means to set apart for exclusive use. This was to be a single use building. It was only for the purpose of man having a place to meet God. V 12 Aaron was to be used only for God as God's instrument, thus he was anointed with the oil. VV 13-14 Before they could serve the Lord and act as God's representatives to the people, there had to be a sin offering. VV 15-17 The sin offering was the first offering in this new tabernacle that Aaron and his sons might be sanctified for the ministry unto the Lord. V 18 First was the atoning of the sins for the priests, and then a total consecration of their lives to God. V 23 Consecration of a man's ears, hands, and feet—a total dedication of himself unto the Lord. (Old Testament Study Guide; The Word For Today; 2005; Chuck Smith; Commentaries; page 48).

In Leviticus 8:1-30, God detailed to Moses the ritual required to consecrate Aaron and his sons to serve the Lord as priests in His sanctuary, the Tent of Meeting. The meaningful ceremony these priests went through so many centuries ago is filled with significance for us today.

Note in Leviticus 8:23 that Moses put ram's blood on the priests' right ears, the thumbs of their right hands, and the great toes of their right feet. Leviticus 8:30 tells us Moses also sprinkled anointing oil and blood from the altar upon Aaron and his garments and upon his sons and their garments in order to sanctify them and make them holy (see also Exodus 29:20, 21). The significance of God's instruction to Moses to put the blood on the right side of the body is that in the Bible, the right side represents power. The ear was anointed so the priest would hear clearly and not be deceived, the thumb so that what he laid his hand to do would be right and blessed, and the right toe so everywhere he went would be holy and sanctified.

I believe this ceremony is a physical picture of our spiritual sanctification as priests unto the Lord today (see Revelation 1:5, 6). The shedding of Jesus' blood for our sin sanctifies those it covers; the anointing of the Holy Spirit, represented by the oil, is poured out to empower for service and good works those who are made righteous by the blood of Jesus. We can hear, take action, and go in directions that are safe and divinely led. Just as Aaron and his sons were set apart for God's use, we believers are also set apart for holy use.

Ask God to give you ears that hear what He wants to say, not just what you want to hear. Ask for consecrated ears that are anointed to hear His voice with clear discernment and without the interference of fleshly desires. Ask Him to sanctify your hands to do right and lead your feet to walk in the right path.

**The Necessary Attitude for Success; 1 Corinthians 15:58; Today I want to talk to you about an attitude you must possess if you wish to achieve success in your life. If you study the lives of achievers and history-makers, you will find that all of them remarkably share certain attitudes that helped them reach success. However, the attitude I wish to speak to you about today is so essential that it should be considered non-negotiable, especially if you wish to do anything significant with your life.**

**This non-negotiable attitude is found in First Corinthians 15:58, where Paul urges us, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord...." The word "steadfast" in this verse is dealt with in the March 12 Sparkling Gem, but today I want you to consider the word "unmoveable." This word refers to one of the most critically important attitudes for those who want to please God and do something noteworthy in their lives. The word "immovable" is the Greek word ametakinetos, which has several meanings: It means not easily excited, shaken, or affected. It describes something that is not changeable or unpredictable. It was also frequently used in connection with stone structures or to refer to people who are known to have a strong and unbending character. Thus, this word portrays something that is solid, unbending, and not easily excited, shaken, or affected; a person, building, or place that is constant, stable, enduring, and dependable. In other words, this is not a flighty, fickle, "here-today, gone-tomorrow," "on-again, off-again" type of person; rather, this is someone who is constant, stable, and dependable. Because the word ametakinetos describes something immovable, it carries the idea of someone whose attitude can be described as:**

**Rock-solid ,Fixed ,Grounded ,Established ,Rooted ,Anchored ,Unvarying ,Permanent ,Stable**

**When you start a new project or step out in faith to do something new, there will always be obstacles that try to get in your way. If you aren't determined to be tougher than the problems that arise, it won't be long until you throw in the towel and give up. That's why this word ametakinetos is so vital. It is an attitude that says, "I'm not moving until I see my dream come to pass!" Anyone who wants to be great or to do great things must learn to be constant, stable, dependable, inflexible, unbending, and unyielding in the face of challenges. This is a common characteristic shared by all great achievers.**

**First Corinthians 15:58 could be translated: "... Be constant, stable, enduring, and dependable—one who is always abounding in the work of the Lord...." When you know God has called you to do something, you have to develop this kind of rock-solid, immovable attitude about that task or project because one thing is certain: Satan will attempt to sidetrack you. That's what the enemy does to anyone whom God calls to do a job!**

**The devil will try to use people's negative words, a lack of finances, adverse circumstances, discouragement, and a host of other tactics to move you off course from your intended goal. That's why you have to make up your mind to be fixed, rooted, grounded, anchored, and unwavering in your commitment to accomplish the task God has set before you! So don't allow yourself to be inconsistent and wavering in your commitment to accomplish your God-given assignment. Remember—others around you are watching your example. In this world where a lackadaisical, "who cares?" attitude predominates, people need to see what true commitment looks like!**

**Be steadfast and immovable in the place where God has called you. Make the rock-solid decision that you will be a "permanent fixture" within your divine call until your task is completed with excellence, regardless of what it costs you!**

#### **QUESTIONS FOR YOU TO CONSIDER**

**If others were asked what they think about you, would they say you are flighty and fickle or stable, consistent, and solid?**

**If you were looking for someone you could depend on to do a job, would you want to choose someone like you?**

**If you've been consistently unstable in the past, can you think of ways to correct this in your life? Sparkling Gems from the Greek.**

**(AMP Bible; The Everyday Life Bible; Joyce Meyers; Scripture; Commentaries; Past Pastor Sermons; Dictionary; 2006; pg 165-167)  
(Word 9 Bible Software; 2010; Concordance, Dictionary, Scripture, Sermons of Saints past, Devos; Sparkling Gems From The Greek)**