Christ in the Priesthood

Leviticus 8-10

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Outline of Leviticus

- I. The sacrifices (1-7)
- H. Consecrating the priests (8-10)
 - III. Uncleanness and its remedy (11-16)
- IV. Maintaining holiness (17-27)

Desire for a Perfect Leader

I watch the horoscopes,

Maybe drugs can give me peace and light.

I need a rich uncle.



We need
a strong
president
over a strong
government.





Desire for the Ultimate

Drugs give me a chance,

They are an idol, a fake priest, a false way to God.

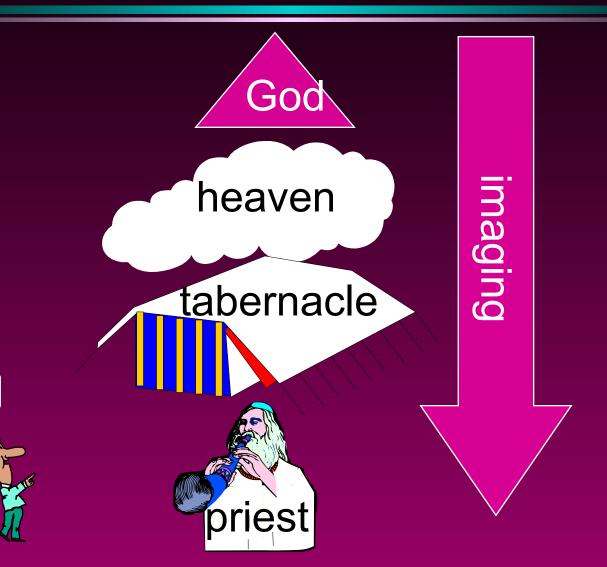


Why not look at the real thing?



A. Priests and Tabernacle

Images



Replicas

What Is a Priest?

A picture of the ultimate.

Hmm, ... maybe there is something here.



Priest's Ephod (Exod. 28:6-13)

Ephod (Exod. 28)

Gold

blue

purple

scarlet

finely twisted linen

Curtain (Exod. 26)

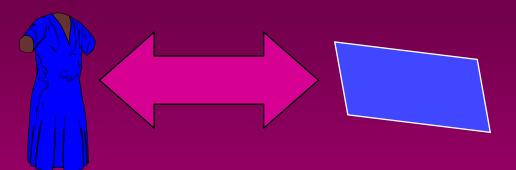
Gold hooks

blue

purple

scarlet

finely twisted linen



Priest and Tabernacle

Ephod

Several layers

Gold plate

Breastpiece

Consecrated with blood

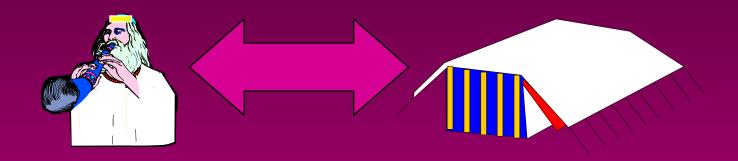
Curtain

Several layers

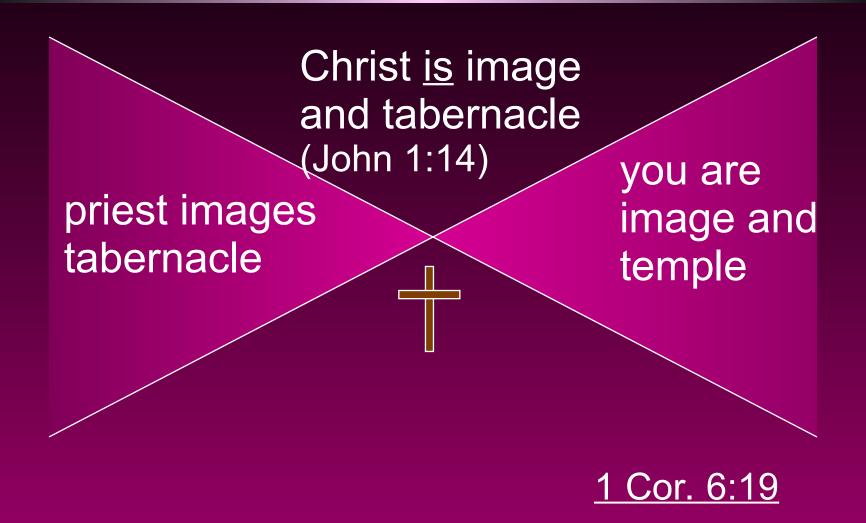
Most Holy Place

God speaks from ark

Consecrated with blood



Fulfillment of the Priesthood



God Manifested in Christ

So Christ is the way to light.

It is not quite what I wanted.
I can't run
my own life.

Take a perfect high priest, instead of messing it up yourself!



B. Priests and People

Including People

But how would I get in on it?

Priests model what people will be.

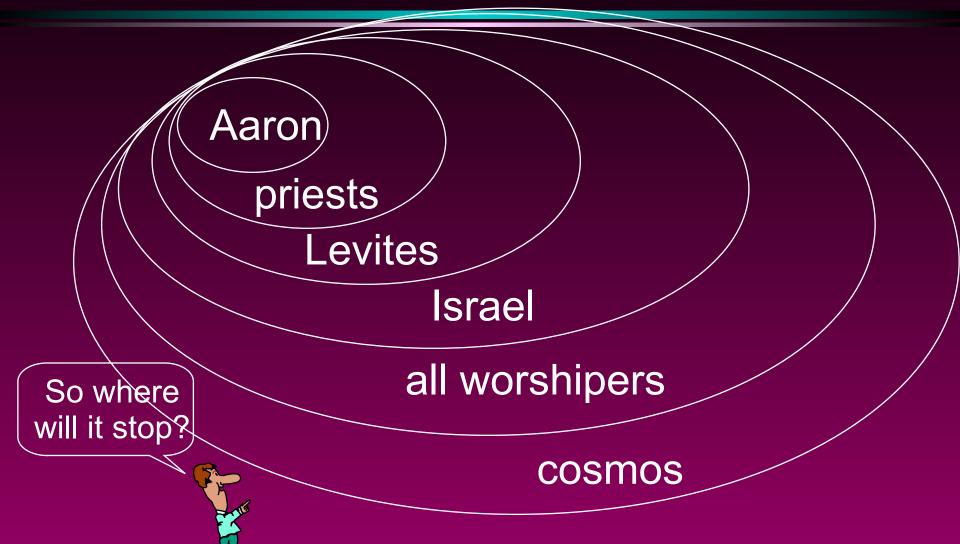




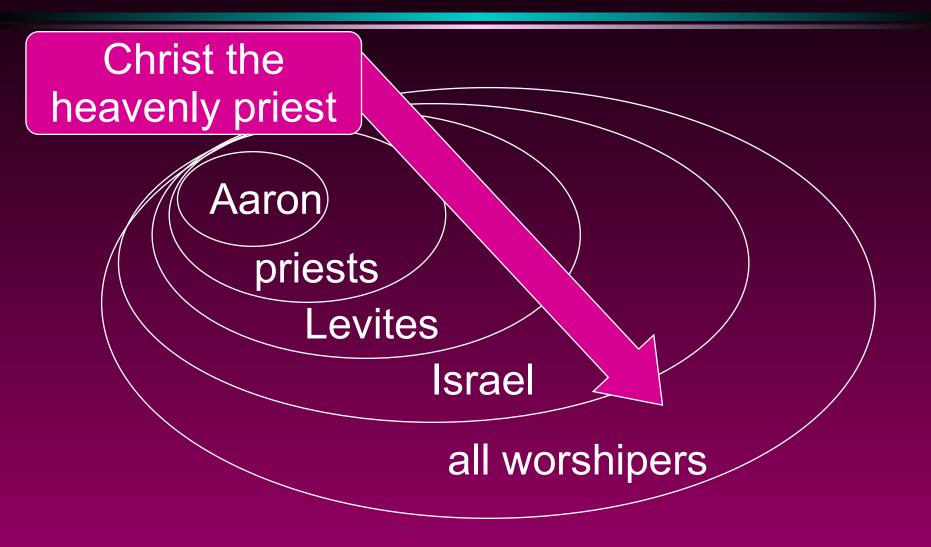
Degrees of Holiness

- Aaron, "high priest," goes into the Most Holy Place once a year.
- Aaron's sons, "priests," go into Holy Place.
- Tribe of Levi, "Levites," assist priests, carrying the tabernacle.
- Israelites have the tabernacle in their midst.
- Foreigners can pray to God.

Spread of Holiness



Imitation



Your Priestly Privilege



you have access to heaven (Heb. 10:19)

You are a high priest!



Applying the Priesthood

Christ offers
higher privilege
than I ever expected!



C. Consecrating Priests

Forming the Priesthood (Lev. 8-10)

Moses consecrates Aaron and sons (8) Aaron makes offering (9) Nadab and Abihu killed (10:1-7) Obligations of priests (10:8-20)

Necessary Consecration

Aaron

Priest clothed
Priest purified
Priest set apart

Christ

Righteous
Pure from sin
Wholly devoted
to God,
empowered by
the Spirit

Fulfillment of Consecration



Applying Consecration

Christ, make me a priest by your perfection!

You have access to God forever!



