

Leviticus 8:1-36 (Part 3)
We are Set Apart for God's Holy Service
February 3, 2013
Sermon Outline

Notes:

I. Children's Sermon: So That You do not Die!

Leviticus 8:35

...you shall remain day and night for seven days, performing what the Lord has charged, **so that you do not die**, for so I have been commanded.”

Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to the cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress;
Helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly;
Wash me, Savior, or I die.

II. Review the Language of the Gospel

At the heart of the ordination service were “...four ceremonial acts: washing, clothing, anointing and sacrificing. We shall consider each one in turn.”¹

- A. Washing (8:6)
- B. Clothing (8:7-9, 13)
- C. Anointing (8:12, **30**)
- D. Offerings:
 - a. Sin Offering (8:14–17)
 - b. Burnt Offering (8:18–21)
 - c. Ordination Offering (8:22-29)

Leviticus 8:30

³⁰ Then Moses took some of the **anointing oil and of the blood** that was on the altar and sprinkled it on *Aaron and his garments*, and also on *his sons and his sons' garments*. So he **consecrated Aaron and his garments, and his sons and his sons' garments with him**.

¹ Eveson, P. H. (2007). *The Beauty of Holiness: The Book of Leviticus Simply Explained*. Welwyn Commentary Series (110). Darlington, England: Evangelical Press.

III. A New Creation

Leviticus 8:30–36

³³ And you shall not go outside the entrance of the tent of meeting *for seven days*, until the days of your ordination are completed, for it will take *seven days to ordain you*. ³⁴ As has been done today, the Lord has commanded to be done to make atonement for you. ³⁵ At the entrance of the tent of meeting you shall remain day and night for seven days, performing what the Lord has charged, so that you do not die, for so I have been commanded.” ³⁶ *And Aaron and his sons did all the things that the Lord commanded by Moses.*

III. The Language of Our Consecration

A. Washing with Water

1 Corinthians 12:13

¹³ For in **one Spirit** we were *all baptized* into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to *drink of one Spirit*.

Ephesians 5:26

²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the **washing of water with the word**,

Titus 3:5

⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the **washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit**,

B. Clothing

Exodus 28:40 (Cf. Revelation 3:4–5; 7:9, 13–17)

⁴⁰ “For Aaron’s sons you shall make coats and sashes and caps. You shall make them *for glory and beauty*.”

C. Jesus Work for Us

1. Anointed

Luke 4:18–21

¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has **anointed me** to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ... ²¹ And he began to say to them, **“Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”**

2. Our Righteous Cloths (Obedience)

Philippians 2:5–8

⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, **which is yours in Christ Jesus**, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by **becoming obedient to the point of death...**

3. Jesus the Lamb of God

- a. Rejected for Us
- b. Accepted for Us (Cf. Phil. 2:9–11)
- c. With his blood we are consecrated

D. New Creation (Anointed with Oil & Blood)

John 3:3–8 (Cf. James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23)

³ Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is **born again** he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is **born of water and the Spirit**, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be **born again**.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is **born of the Spirit.**”

Ezekiel 36:25–27

²⁵ I will sprinkle *clean water* on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ And I will give you a new heart, and a *new spirit* I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ And I will put **my Spirit** within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

Key Idea

In the language of the consecration of the OT priesthood we are better equipped to describe the glory and beauty of our salvation in Jesus.

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
Let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the **water and the blood**,
From Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure;
Save from wrath and make me pure.