Sermon Questions Exodus 28-29

This week we discussed the role of Priestly Garments and how they were necessary for leading God's people and foreshadowing the coming Messiah. While this section of Scripture may not be the most riveting for the modern-day reader, we see the great deal that God reveals in order that we will understand the importance of the text. God not only wanted his place of worship, the Tabernacle, to be built according to his instructions but also wanted the priests to minister according to His plan as well. Throughout these two chapters in Exodus, we learn how God wanted His priests to dress and to be set apart in order to minister on His behalf. God takes worship and ministry seriously and desires that His instructions be followed. Ultimately, we learn that Jesus Christ, the Great High Priest, is the fulfillment of everything that is being foreshadowed in this text. May your understand of God's Word grow this week as you discover his plans for Priestly Garments and the way in which they are called to serve the Lord.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Ministering Priests Exodus 28-29

God chose priests to be...

Ministers and mediators between God and His people (Exodus 28:1-4)

Representatives that demonstrated God's heart and declared His direction (5-43)

Consecrated servants to God without any <u>distractions</u> (Exodus 29:1-37)

Models for sin's atonement and for God's presence (38-46)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it HERE. After watching, please use the following questions, if you find them helpful, in your personal study or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a CADRE now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we help you take your next step.

Questions

- 1. How was Israel being a Theocracy different than other nations that had been established? What was God wanting to establish in Israel? How was being a worshipping nation different than being a Superpower? As a result of Israel's worship what did God promise to do?
- 2. After God established His plan for the Tabernacle, why did God place emphasis on how a priest should dress to minister? What was the role of a priest? What did the priest do to minister? How

- was he a mediator between God and the people of Israel? How was Jesus that ultimate minister and mediator? (see 1 Timothy 2:5)
- 3. How were priests representatives of God? How did they represent God's heart? How did they represent God's direction? How necessary were they to the leading the nation of Israel?
- 4. What did the colors represent? Why was it important for Gold to represent God's glory? What was the significance for Blue to represent God's deity? What was the significance for purple to represent God's royalty? What was the significance for Red to represent the necessity for blood being shed? How did Jesus Christ, the Messiah, fulfill ALL of these roles?
- 5. What was the significance of names on the onyx stones that connected the front and back of the Ephod? Why was it important for the priest to carry the names of the 12 tribes on his shoulders? Why was it important that the names be engraved in a beautiful way? What does this tell you about God's love for His people?
- 6. Why was the breastpiece made up of 12 stones? What were the stones to represent? Why was it important that these stones be placed over the heart of the priest? What does Jesus Christ think about your name? Read Hebrews 7:25. What is Jesus Christ, as your Great High Priest, doing for you right now?
- 7. How did Jesus Christ demonstrate His heart for His Father? How did Jesus Christ demonstrate His heart for His people? How did Jesus Christ proclaim direction on behalf of His Father? How did Jesus Christ proclaim direction for His people? How is this significant in His role as Great High Priest?
- 8. Why did the priests need to be consecrated? How long was the ceremony? What was sacrificed? What did they do with the blood? Why was it necessary for this service to be a weeklong and have animals sacrificed and blood spilled? Why would the priestly garments need to be covered in blood?
- 9. How was Jesus Christ consecrated for His ministry? How are you being consecrated for how God wants to use you? Why is being completely set apart and focused on ministry important for a believer?
- 10. How was a priest a model for the atonement and for God's presence? Why is the atonement still necessary today? How has that atonement been fulfilled? What is the result of Christ's atoning sacrifice for our sins today? How do we experience Christ's presence through the atonement? How are you now a ministering priest as a result Christ's work?
- 11. How is Jesus Christ a literal fulfillment of Exodus 28-29? What difference does the truths of these verse make in your life?
- 12. What was your greatest take-a-way from today's message? What do you need to apply in your life right now?