

Our Overall Identity

How can we not preach miracles?

It's not over, we believe

Pre-Talk

- Why I am here?
- The Mindset of God - You are in a picture and are a part of a Master Piece of Art in Human History – A picture God is painting
- Knowing this helps you. Not just knowing yourself, your gifts, and your anointing and ministry, but knowing His Eternal Agenda

Matthew 19:28-29

You have inherited everlasting life, and it's responsibility. That life has a new charge which comes with it, but also an anointing which comes out of that everlasting life. You are now not alive in yourself, but alive **because** of the everlasting life, alive **through** the everlasting life, and alive **FOR** of the everlasting life. This everlasting life comes with a Kingdom Agenda which is Heaven Initiated. We must discover what that is.

Overview of Bible

- Bible is working towards something
- We belong to it, it does not belong to us

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Empowerment of Believers

- Understanding the bible reveals your inheritance which is vital to a believer's empowerment
- We are empowered by the meaning of His Word
- We are who this book says we are!
- We can do what it says we can do!
- **Minister to the Nations**
- **Priesthood of Believers**

We are a royal priesthood **Peter is the one who coined the phrase**
“Priesthood”

Priests did incredible ministry before the Lord

Glory burned up the offering

We are now called to greater glory

Psalm 133

Priesthood – ministers to God

Difference between son and Priest

Peter said "This is God rebuilding the tabernacle of David" which was made of worship, prayer, dance, praise, and the Glory of God

1. **Gen 4:3-4** Cain and Abel – both offering things to God
 2. **Gen 8:20** Noah – made an altar before God
 3. **Gen 12:8** Abram built an altar and called on the name of the Lord
 4. **Gen 35:7** Jacob on his way to Bethel, built an altar and called on the name of the Lord
 5. **Ex 24:5** Not only Moses offering before the Lord, but he sent young men to give burnt offerings to God
 6. **Ex 19:22** (Moses' times) The priests had to sanctify themselves, “lest the Lord break forth upon them”
 7. **Ex 29:9** Aaron's sons placed into the office of priesthood as a perpetual state
- Numbers 3** God takes the Levites and says, “They are Mine!”

Ceremonies at consecration of

- a. Washing in water. Ex 29:4; Lev 8:6.
- b. Clothing with the holy garments. Ex 29:8, 9; 40:14; Lev 8:13.
- c. Anointing with oil. Ex 30:30; 40:13.
- d. Offering sacrifices. Ex 29:10-19; Lev 8:14-23.
- e. Purification by blood of the consecration ram. Ex 29:20, 21; Lev 8:23, 24.
- f. Placing in their hands the wave-offering. Ex 29:22-24; Lev 8:25-27.
- g. Partaking of the sacrifices of consecration. Ex 29:31-33; Lev 8:31, 32.
- h. Lasted seven days. Ex 29:35-37; Lev 8:33.

Deut 18:1-2 Have not inheritance... live by the altar. The Lord is their inheritance

Services of

1. **Keeping the charge of the tabernacle. Num 18:1, 5, 7.**
2. Covering the sacred things of the sanctuary before removal. Num 4:5-15.
3. Offering sacrifices. Lev 1:1-6:30; 2 Chr 29:34; 35:11.
4. Lighting and trimming the lamps of the sanctuary. Ex 27:20, 21; Lev 24:3, 4.
5. **Keeping the sacred fire always burning on the altar. Lev 6:12, 13.**
6. **Burning incense. Ex 20:7, 8; Luke 1:9.**
7. Placing and removing show-bread. Lev 24:5-9.
8. Offering first fruits. Lev 23:10, 11; Deut 26:3, 4.
9. **Blessing the people. Num 6:23-27.**
10. **Purifying the unclean. Lev 15:30, 31.**
11. Deciding in cases of jealousy. Num 5:14, 15.
12. Deciding in cases of leprosy. Lev 13:2-59; 14:34-45.
13. Judging in cases of controversy. Deut 17:8-13; 21:5.
14. Teaching the law. Deut 33:8, 10; Mal 2:7.
15. **Blowing the trumpets on various occasions. Num 10:1-10; Jos 6:3, 4.**
16. **Carrying the ark. Jos 3:6, 17; 6:12.**
17. **Encouraging the people when they went to war. Deut 20:1-4.**
18. Valuing things devoted. Lev 27:8.

5 Ultimate Truths of the Church's Identity

1. Prayer and Fasting is our greatest weapon
2. We have an eternal purpose, not just to make history on earth
3. God is into building His Church, not just one person
4. The Church must have Glory to give Christ before He is glorified
5. The Cross has everything in it
6. Until the supernatural is natural to His Church, our minds will remain worldly, arrogant, and self-serving
7. Jesus desires to minister exactly how He ministered while He was on the earth. Through the Church, the only goal of God to carry the same Spirit that Jesus carried. He's not the problem, we are!

Priesthood of Believers

1. Priests made their living from the altar
2. The altar of the New Testament was the Cross where the offering was made, once and for all
3. No more blood is needed for our altar. The blood coats every dimension and every realm of every issue. Two types of offerings were required: voluntary and required. Voluntary were burnt, meal, and peace, while sin offerings were a must for sin.
4. We eat of the offering like in the Old Testament. **Leviticus 2:1 a meat offering was mainly fine flour, but couldn't have leaven. Leaven symbolized evil. The fine flour speaks of the absolute purity of God.** But the sacrifice is Christ, Who was already burned up and offered. Didn't He say, Eat my meat and drink My blood? The word "kopher" was used for the atonement, but also for the pitch which sealed Noah's Ark... It covered it all... everything's in it!
5. There are 3 stages of Priesthood at the altar: the steps taken by the priest, the sacrifice made, and the third – the Glory coming to burn it up. So we must know that the cross is our altar, but the Glory is God's answer to that altar. When we go to the cross as priests, God will respond to that perfect and pleasing sacrifice with His Fire and His Glory! **Exodus 29:42 continuous offering, but there, the Lord will meet with us, etc...** that blood and sacrifice was needed for continuous communion with God
6. The Glory in the Church will be when the Church understands that: there has already been a perfect altar, perfect sacrifice, perfect fire, perfect Glory, we simply get to participate as Priests who partake. **Exodus 34:35 the glory on Moses was seen on others by the face-to-face encounters with God. The Glory was so powerfully in a temple that people couldn't get in there. We must be so full of Him that nothing can come in. It was their protection, light, and guidance in Numbers 9:15-23 and later, that same glory showed up in Solomon's temple in 1 Kings 8:10-11, it will also fill the New Jerusalem found in Revelation 21:10-11**
7. Our greatest challenge is not understanding of faith or understanding of love or understanding of purpose, but understanding of receiving from the cross

Eat: taste and see **Psalm 34:1-8**, My meat is to do, I do what I see the Father do,

Matthew 5:8 "the pure in heart, for they will see God"

Matthew 7:5 "Get the plank out of your eye so you can see"

Matthew 12 "an adulterous people as for a sign!"

Mark 8:17 "why you griping about no bread? Why do you not see or understand? Are your hearts hardened?"

The Kingdom of God is at hand

Seek first the Kingdom and all its righteousness

Luke 8:10 "knowledge of the secrets of the Kingdom... I spoke in parables so that though they hear, they don't see"

John 3 No man can see the kingdom unless he is born again. Nicodemus talk.
Difference between enter and see

John 11:40 "didn't I tell you if you believe you would see the glory of God?" to Lazarus' sis

John 17:24 "I want them to be with Me, and to see My glory"