

# The Priestly Garments

Exodus 28

<sup>36</sup> “Make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it as on a seal: HOLY TO THE LORD. <sup>37</sup> Fasten a blue cord to it to attach it to the turban; it is to be on the front of the turban. <sup>38</sup> It will be on Aaron’s forehead, and he will bear the guilt involved in the sacred gifts the Israelites consecrate, whatever their gifts may be. It will be on Aaron’s forehead continually so that they will be acceptable to the LORD  
(Exodus 28:36-38)

# 3-fold responsibility of priesthood

1. Reflect the Holiness of God (1 Peter 1:15)
2. Offer Spiritual Sacrifices (1 Peter 2:5)
3. Declaring His Praises (1 Peter 2:9)

# Outline of Exodus 28

- v1-5 Aaron and his sons set apart for the priest's office - their garments.
- v6-14 The ephod.
- v15-30 The breastplate, The Urim and Thummim.
- v31-39 The robe of the ephod, The Golden Crown of the Priest
- v40-43 The garments for Aaron's sons.

I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of his righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Isaiah 61:10 NIV

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<sup>23</sup> When the soldiers crucified Jesus, they took his clothes, dividing them into four shares, one for each of them, with the undergarment remaining. This garment was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom.

<sup>24</sup> “Let’s not tear it,” they said to one another. “Let’s decide by lot who will get it.”

This happened that the scripture might be fulfilled that said,

“They divided my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment.” So this is what the soldiers did.

**John 19:23-24**

<sup>15</sup> And thou shalt make the breastplate of judgment with cunning work; after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shalt thou make it.

<sup>16</sup> Foursquare it shall be being doubled; a span shall be the length thereof, and a span shall be the breadth thereof.

<sup>17</sup> **And thou shalt set in it settings of stones, even four rows of stones: the first row shall be a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this shall be the first row.**

<sup>18</sup> **And the second row shall be an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.**

<sup>19</sup> **And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.**

<sup>20</sup> **And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their inclosings.**

<sup>21</sup> And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, like the engravings of a signet; every one with his name shall they be according to the twelve tribes.

Exodus 28:15-21 (KJV)



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# Pomegranates



# Pomegranates in the bible



- Exodus 28:33-34  
(hem of the robe)
- 1 Kings 7:13-22  
(Solomon's temple)
- Deuteronomy 8:8  
(promise)
- Numbers 13:23 (12  
spies)

To get a touch from the Lord is so real  
If you draw nigh to Him  
He will draw nigh to you  
To get a touch from the Lord is so real  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Jesus is coming, is coming again  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Jesus is coming again

<sup>28</sup> The rings of the breastpiece are to be tied to the rings of the ephod with blue cord, connecting it to the waistband, so that the breastpiece will not swing out from the ephod.

<sup>29</sup> “Whenever Aaron enters the Holy Place, he will bear the names of the sons of Israel over his heart on the breastpiece of decision as a continuing memorial before the LORD. <sup>30</sup> Also put the Urim and the Thummim in the breastpiece, so they may be over Aaron’s heart whenever he enters the presence of the LORD. Thus Aaron will always bear the means of making decisions for the Israelites over his heart before the LORD.

Exodus 28:28-30

*you are precious* (v17)

*you have been set apart* (v41)

*you will be fruitful* (v35)