

Twitter Thread by Beth Moore



Beth Moore

@BethMooreLPM



Oh man, I loved my Bible reading this morning. It was Exodus 28 where God gave Moses the instructions for the priestly apparel Aaron & his sons were to wear. The attention to the minutest detail confirms what we can still count on today: everything God prescribed had purpose.

Whether or not they understood it, whether or not we understand it, God is not haphazard. Nothing is for nothing. For me, one of the most marvelous parts of Bible study is how often he does tie things together for us, connecting the dots, connecting the testaments, the covenants.

I'll just offer 1 example from Ex 28. V.3 says "You are to instruct all the skilled artisans, whom I've filled with a spirit of wisdom (isn't that fantastic?), to make Aaron's garments for consecrating him to serve Me as priest." The turban was an important piece of the apparel.

Something I find particularly fascinating is that the skilled artisans were to make a pure gold nameplate to fasten onto the very front of the priest's turban. It was to have 4 words engraved on it -all caps in our Bibles- "HOLY TO THE LORD. "It is always to be on his forehead."

Imagine how a conversation would change if we were talking to a person while staring at those four words on his or her forehead. Ok, fast forward to the New Testament where the Holy Spirit says through Peter that we who are in Christ are part of a "royal priesthood." (2 Pet 2:9)

Now fast forward to Revelation 1:6 where we're told by the Holy Spirit through the apostle John that Christ has made us "a kingdom, priests to his God & Father." Look finally to the last chapter of the canon. The New Jerusalem in the New Creation has been magnificently described.

Now watch the camera lens move from the surroundings in the scene to the Lord and those He has redeemed. Revelation 22:3-4, "The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will worship him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.

Night will be no more; people will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, because the Lord God will give them light, and they will reign forever and ever." The time is coming when time will be no more & we will no longer see with maladjusted eyes & limited vision.

We will see the face of Jesus and, in His glorious light, a seal will become visible that was likely in full view of heaven since the time of our salvation. His name will be on our foreheads. Nothing haphazard. Nothing for nothing. We are a royal priesthood. A kingdom & priests.

I don't know what you see in your mirror, redeemed of God. But do not imagine yourself of little value and of no belonging. I'll tell you what will be on your forehead for all of eternity: the name of the Lord. For you are his and he is yours. You are HOLY TO THE LORD.