

A Reflection of **JESUS**

Lesson 6 Priests of God

**“...Let us draw near to God with a sincere
heart full of assurance of faith...”**

(Hebrews 9: 21)

God is holy, just, and good. He will not dwell in the presence of sin. The effects of sin present mankind as anything but holy, just, and good before God. Because God is merciful and loving, He has provided a way for us to find favor and fellowship with Him. This was accomplished by providing a Mediator.

A mediator is someone who intercedes, as a go-between, and may be called the “middleman.” They help resolve conflicts.

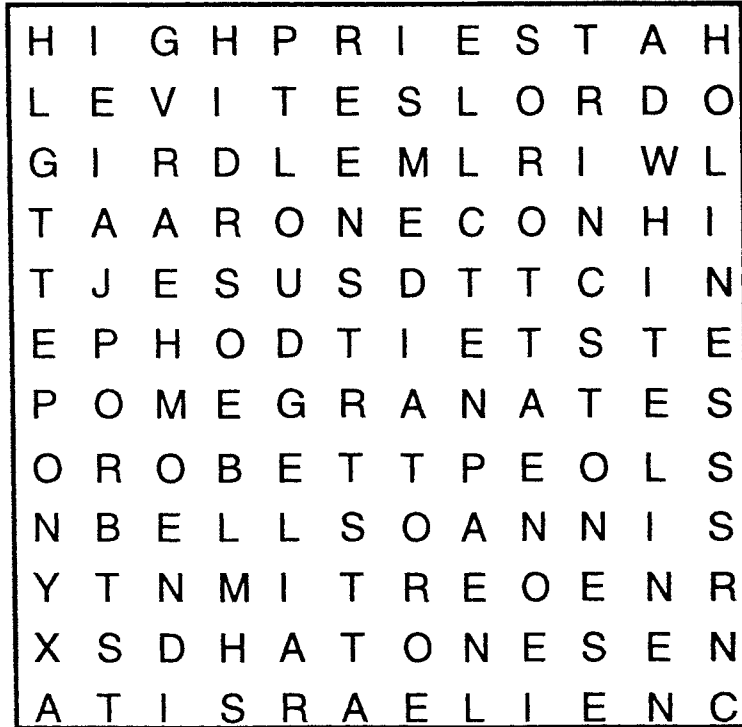
At the time of the Tabernacle and during the writing of the Old Testament, the mediators were called “priests.” God, in His wisdom, chose to have priest-mediators as an example of how Jesus Christ would serve as a mediator for us today. In the Old Testament, the priest was the link between a holy God and a sinful people.

Today we do not have a Tabernacle or a human high priest, for we are to be a tabernacle and Christ is our High Priest. No human being stands between you and God.

During the time of Israel and the Old Testament, the Tabernacle and the high priest were examples that pointed to the Savior, Jesus Christ. We have Him as our Mediator who intercedes for us with God.

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Mirror, Mirror...

We can gain deeper insight when we see the reflections of the Tabernacle worship in God's great plan of salvation through Jesus Christ

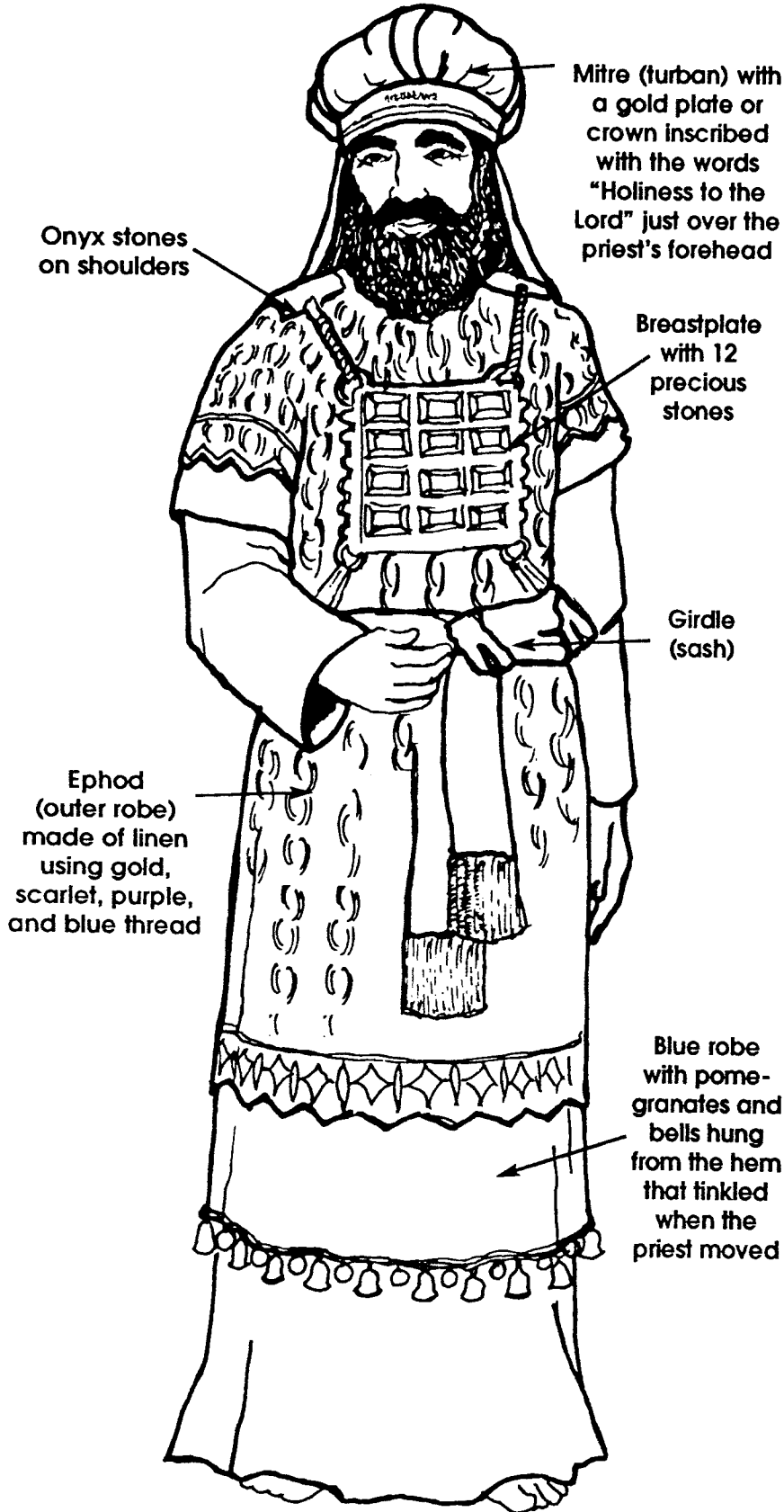


Israel Communed with God through the Tabernacle

1. Brazen Altar for sacrifices
2. Laver of Brass for washing
3. Candlestick/Lampstand
4. Table of Shewbread
5. Altar of Incense
- 6-7. Through the gate and into the enclosure of the Tabernacle
8. Priests and the priesthood

Christians Commune with God through Jesus

1. Christ's sacrifice
2. Cleansed by the blood and water
3. Enlightened by the Holy Spirit
4. Fed by the Living Word
5. Prayer, intercession, communication
- 6-7. Entering God's presence through Christ—the "Gate," our High Priest
8. Service to God and others



Complete the Sentences

(Choose the word that correctly completes the sentence)

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| 1. angels | sin | water |
| 2. mediator | glass | bird |
| 3. flower | you | book |
| 4. tabernacle | bee | cat |

- God is holy, just, and good. He will not dwell in the presence of _____
- A _____ is someone who intercedes, as a go-between, or may be called the "middle-man."
- No human being stands between _____ and God.
- We are to be a _____ and Christ is our High Priest.

Answers: 1. sin; 2. mediator; 3. us; 4. tabernacle.