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TEXT: LEVITICUS 8:23

"And he slew it; and Moses took of the blood of it, and put it upon the tip of Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot."

This scripture gives us a description of one of the rituals or rites that was observed during the consecration or induction of Aaron and his sons into the priesthood. In this meditation, we shall be looking at what this rite or ritual foreshadows and the practical implication thereof to a new testament saint.

Every believer (without exception) is a priest: for the kingdom of God is a kingdom of priests; every one that has believed into the Christ stands before God as priest expected to offer daily sacrifice to God. It is equally important that we appreciate that whenever blood is mentioned in the Bible, atonement is in issue the most time, for the Bible says it is the blood that makes atonement. Nothing has the power to make atonement.

All relationship with God streams from the fountain of the atoning blood. No man can be truly cleansed and made right with God without the blood of Jesus. By the deeds of the Law no man can be saved. Let me say it clearer again: the beginning of all transactions with God issues from the atoning blood...a man must take his Bath before he can see God. Joseph must use the water in Egypt before he could see the king of Egypt, pharaoh. No man, can see God without receiving a spiritual birth in this pool of blood. Moreover, in the eyes of God, cleansing-true cleansing- is only achievable by the blood of Jesus.

So, having made the above preliminaries, let us draw some vital lessons from the above scripture. Take note that the blood was applied on the TIP OF AARON'S RIGHT EAR; UPON THE THUMB OF HIS RIGHT HAND AND UPON THE GREAT TOE OF HIS RIGHT FOOT...The question before us is: what is the practical implication and application of this in the light of the gospel, where the new testament believer is concerned?

Watch these: The first thing we see God asking Moses to do to Aaron and his sons before they go into God's service was to address the matter of the ability to hear (the tip of the ear) No man can be a priest unto God that cannot hear Him. A priest must be such that can hear the present heart beat of God. He must not necessarily be in possession of Biblical doctrines, but it suffices if he is a man of revelation, anchored and fortified by the revealed word of God on the pages of the Bible.

How can a man speak, when he has not been spoken to, for as he hears so also is he supposed to speak. If he does not hear, how can he speak and if he attempts to speak when he has not heard anything, he would be seen as a false witness of God. Clarity and precision becomes every priest that would have an ear that hears the small still voice. A servant of God must have an ear that hears God...every saint should be nurtured to hear God.

So why the Blood on the tip of the right ear? It shows simply that the blood of atonement automatically places us in a plane where God can be heard. There is a wholeness that comes with the atonement of sin. When Adam sinned, the whole human race was plunged into thick darkness and removed far from within divine perimeter where God could be heard. The word "atonement" means "at-one-ment" with God. The blood of Jesus satisfied the great just Judge, God himself. To be continued.