



**July 31, 2025**

**EXODUS**

**Chapters 29-31**

**Opening Questions:**

- a. Besides a personal hygiene, name a ritual you do weekly, monthly, or yearly.
- b. Is there any part of being a Christian that some people find burdensome?
- c. If you wanted your house to smell nice, what scent would you choose to burn in a candle?
- d. How would you describe your prayer life at the moment?

**Discussion Questions:**

**Chapter 29: Consecration of Priests**

1. Verses 1-9 describe the consecration process for the priests. What are the key elements?
2. How long did this process take?
3. Can you identify there any spiritual significance to each part of the process? (*Heb. 10:22, Isa. 61:1*).
4. What is happening the sacrifice of the animals? How does the practice parallel the life of Jesus? (*Hebrews 9:12, Romans 3:25, 1 John 2:2*).
5. What parts of the service would you have difficulty participating in?
6. Why was blood place on the right ear, right thumb and right big toe? Could the priests have carried out their duties without this process?
7. The priests were washed, clothed, anointed, and marked with blood. Can you see a parallel to the life cycle of a believer? (*1 Cor. 6:11, 1 Peter 1:2*)
8. What is the difference between consecration and ordination?

9. Verses 38-42 speaks of daily offerings. How can we offer ourselves daily as a living sacrifice? (*Luke 9:23*)

10. From verses 44-46, for whose benefit were the rituals, e.g., for God, the people or the priests?
11. The process of consecration and the offering of sacrifices was a very precise, bloody, and time-consuming process. Do you think the priests and Israelites considered it a worth-while endeavor?
12. Do you think a consecration process is important for the Church today as ancient Israel?
13. What do you think God was trying to teach Israel with this process?
14. What does it mean for us as believers to be consecrated to God? (*Romans 6:13*)?

**Chapter 30: Altar of Incense**

14. What does incense symbolize here? (*Psalms 141:2, Rev. 5:8, 8:3-5, Luke 1:5, 8-9, 11*)
15. Does that change the way you view prayer?
16. What meaning does the incense have when God is present to meet his people? How about when they are not present?
17. Can you identify any benefits to the census taking? (*Numbers 26:2*)
18. What was the purpose of the perfume?
19. What fear of the Lord is attached to the oil and incense?