

Text: 1 Samuel 2:11 "Ministering To Yahweh"

The Lord doesn't need our ministering, to him, but he greatly desires it.

Believer-priests, minister to the Yahweh. That's our call. What does it mean to minister to the Yahweh? Can't do it if we don't know what it is!

Samuel did, Moses did, the Levites did why don't we? Ministering to Yahweh is not the same as ministering for the Yahweh.

Samuel as a child ministered to the Yah. 1 Sam 2:11, v.18. The lesser ministering to the greater. 1 Samuel 3:1 While Eli did nothing Samuel ministered to Yahweh.

A priest ministers for Yah to people & for people to Yah. We need work on part B. Minister ~~to~~ ^{Shawrath} in Hebrew. Means to attend to Yah. Means to contribute to Yah. Samuel contributed & attended to Yah! Means to serve Yah. To wait for or on Yah!

Revelation 1:6 - Priests unto Yah. We are called to continually minister unto Yah the Father. We are called to minister to the entire ministry.

1 Peter 2:5 - to offer "up" spiritual sacrifices. 1 Peter 2:9 - We are particularly peculiar people, because we not only have a relationship with Him, but we are the chosen, royally called to meet Yah's desires. (Not needs). He could live without our ministering, but chooses not to. We were created to glorify him through our lives. It is more blessed to minister to Yah than allowing Yah to minister to you (Acts 20:35).

Religious people take from Yah only, relationship people give to Yah!

There are 4 prerequisites to minister to Yah. These must take place daily.

- ① Childlike hunger
- ② Ephod - a covering (blood)
- ③ Awareness of His intense desire. (Get in His presence & then ask Him what He desires)
- ④ Altar - your closet

Your ministry to the Yah, should include some or all of the following:

- ① Altar - prayer closet
- ② Obedience - ministers to Yah
- ③ Sacrifice - Psalm 51:17 A broken spirit & contrite heart. (James 4:6. Moses had a great ministry to Yah. (Due to his weakness. Matt 5:3). Moses ministered to Yah for 40 days & nights. It didn't take Yah 40 days to write 10 sentences. The rest of Israel ministered to a calf.

Ministering to Yah takes dedication, discipline, & work. It is the harder of the 2 way ministry call.

Matt 26:28 - While Yeshua did come to die, He also came to minister. He ministered to the Father, continually.

④ Hosea 6:6 - I "desire" mercy not just sacrifice. Knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

We must approach him with "a merciful heart". If your merciful in your ministry to Yah, you will obtain mercy from Him. (Matt 5:7)

⑤ Expressing Thankfulness in all things - Phil 4:6-7, Psalm 107:22, ^{Psalm} 16:17
Jonah 2:9. Thankful hearts for what you do have & not complaining for what you don't have. Sacrifice of thanksgiving. Heb 13:15. Eph 5:20.

⑥ Praise & Worship - Heb 13:15. Singing to Him & Worshipping Him away from the crowds. John 4:21-24. Eph 5:19. Enter his ~~gates~~ gates with thanksgiving, enter his courts with praise.

⑦ Communicate with Him - "Talk with Dad". You acknowledge Him by talking to Him. Talking to Him is ministering to Him. The world talks about Him and at Him.

Close - 1 Samuel 3:7. When Samuel started ministering to the Yah, he didn't know the Yah! This verse tells us that Samuel started ministering to the Yah to please Hana his mother & upon her instruction. Put by continuing this practice he came to know the object of his ministry. When we offer all (7) NT sacrifices to Yah we'll get to know Him.

All 7 sacrifices must be offered without spot & without blemish. That can be done by approaching your altar only after you've confessed, repented & forsaken your sin. This will assure your ministry to the Yah, as one of purity & thus all 7 ~~sacrifices~~ ^{sacrifices} will be pure & purely accepted.