## **Clothed with Messiah**

We are priests in the temple. We must put our priestly vestment on every morning, putting Yahshua on just as we put on our clothes. We must consciously put Messiah on and not make provision for the flesh. We can only do this knowing what His name means, that He is God's Salvation, the Anointed One and our Sovereign.

Rom 13:14 — If we don't put Him on wewill make provision for the flesh. We will see if we love Him every day. Do we believe we need to put Him on when we go to serve in the temple? The priests in the Old Covenant did (Lev 8:6-9).

Do we think we automatically have Him on? If we don't put Him on in the morning, we will miss His reign — we will miss His will. We are the priests. The priests in the Old Testament typify us. We are in the actual temple, the Body. We live in the Holy of Holies.

We are to put His Spirit on every morning. We are to dress our family accordingly. If we know we have His vestments on, we won't make provision for the flesh — we won't make provision for temptation. Yahshua is our total emancipation from everything (Rom 13:39).

When we put Him on, we must know what we are doing, that is, what He frees us from. We put the Holy Spirit on also

Messiah means many things — the Anointed, YHWH's everything. When we put on the Sovereign, He is everything. This is our armor (Eph 6:13-17). We must make a conscious effort every morning because we are in a battle (Gal 1:3-4).

He knows He can't violate our wills and make us live for Him. We must be made willing to put Him on every morning. No one would ever think to leave the house without clothes on in the morning. In the same way we can't without putting Him on.

We must give ourselves to the cleansing work of the Holy Spirit. Fire removes the impurities from metal. Fuller's soap is special, it is for deep stains. Fuller's soap gets the dirt from the clothes. We are the stem, our children won't be damaged as deep in the same way. The refiner knows when the silver is pure — when he looks into the silver and it is a mirror in which he can see himself. The same thing will happen with the Holy Spirit. We must have the same zeal and dedication as the priests when they went through the camp and killed their families (Ex 32:27-29).

The Levites were first, but no one else followed them into the priesthood. We must be the first and all the rest of the tribes will follow us into the priesthood. We must put on Yahshua in the morning to be priests. We must have a sense of working in the temple, of giving our life up and being with Messiah. The community of believers is the temple, there should be good reason for our absence (in traveling, etc.). Yahshua is the healer, comforter, encourager, helper. He is everything we need. We are to live in the inner court (Eze 44:21). If you put Him on in the morning, He liberates you and your wife. There is no provision for intimidation and worthlessness. They are the flesh. If we know Him we can put Him on in faith. What does His name mean to us? There is no end to who He is. He is the Counselor, the Prince of Peace, etc., etc.

If we don't want to put Him on, it shows that we are arrogant, worthless, obstinate. If we don't have time to put Him on in the morning there is something drastically wrong. If the priests of old entered the holy place without their garments on, they would die. Why should we be any different?

If we are clothed with Him we will have no bitterness. If you don't put your Sovereign on in the morning, you should let your hair down to let everyone know where you are at. If we don't, we are those claiming to have fellowship but instead being in darkness.

We must obey the commandments to put Him on. You put Him on by prayer, asking Him to dress you. You can do it — you know how (Romans 13:14). We can't make provision for the flesh to rule that day, for the flesh to be predominant that day (Rom 8:13).

We will either have life walking in the Spirit or death walking in the flesh. We must dress our wife and children every morning. Our children should know who they are. If our name doesn't fit our behavior, we should change one or the other.

We can help people dress if their vestment is not on properly — if they haven't put Him on properly that morning. We can't get dressed unconsciously; we have to be careful. Then in that day we have the fruit of Him, we will be made in His image. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. He wants to put the fruit of the Spirit into our Spirit. He doesn't do it by bypassing our own spirit. Rather, He makes our human spirit like His divine Spirit. But if we let a root of bitterness grow up, it will defile the whole community (Heb 12:15).

If our children aren't baptized, we must clothe them with ourselves. We must think on His name. This is not chanting, but it means thinking about who He is, what He has saved each of us from, etc. He has saved us from *ra sha*—restless energy—the root of lawlessness. We have instead contentment, that is, salvation. If your parents have any influence at all on you, you haven't entered the priesthood. You haven't done as the Levites did who killed their families. They cut their relatives off physically—we cut off their influence, their ability to sway us. It is just as total as what the Levites did.