Chapter 1

Introduction: Basic Concepts of Priesthood

Prologue

This Teaching Ministry has a pattern given to us by Elohim. It is one in which all the courses are interrelated. Each is part of an overall strategic revelation for ushering in the final reformation of the Kingdom Church; Restoration of critical but lost truths; as well as Headship of Yeshua, Jesus over His One Single Church; and how true revival has a fruit: When saints obey Elohim out of passionate love and heart desire to please Him in all things.

In the process of downloading two main courses in the Global School of Ministry and the Global Advanced Mentorship Program, the need clearly arose for a more detailed study on the various priesthood types operating in the earth realm.

Building up on the awesome revelation of **Course 136:** *Divine Perspective of Purpose*, it is obvious Elohim is not impressed when humans claim to be doing things for Him but do so in disobedience to His express instructions or disregard to His divinely ordained pattern. Several references were made to the Priesthood after the Order of Melchizedek in the course.

Second, in the process of delivering the ground-breaking treatise, **Course 139***: Completing the Unfinished Reformation* first taught during the 2017 Master Class, a major issue came up. That course showed how the Protestant Reformation by Martin Luther in the year 1517 failed a critical test: The nature of the Priesthood which undergirded it and which emanated from it. We saw as in Rome, so also did the 'Protestants' generally and worse still, those who can be rated as 'Pentecostal' have carried out ministry from the foundation of Priesthood systems which are contrary to the one which Yeshua practiced and inaugurated: That which is after the Order of Melchizedek.

Before we delve deeper into the subject matter, the need for proper context cannot be over-emphasized. It is needful therefore to understand the entire concept of priesthood, various manifestations of same in the Old and New Covenants, in order to appreciate what Yeshua has ordained to represent Him in the earth realm at this present time. After that basic understanding, Chapters 2 and 3 will focus on the Nimrodic and Levitical priesthoods respectively. Thereafter, we shall delve into the main subject matter.

Introduction: Basic Concept of Priesthood and Altars

Let us start with a basic question: Who is a Priest?

Short answer: A Priest is a mediator between Elohim and His creation!

Long answer: As a mediator between a Supreme Being and specific sphere of authority, the Priest is not self-appointed, does not function on his own, or for his self-interest. He stands in the gap to bring to the attention of people and ensure their obedience, the requirements of the Supreme Being Who appointed him. On the other hand, the priest brings the causes of people to who he is assigned to the attention of Elohim, interceding and pleading their cause.

The Father in law of Moses, Jethro the Priest of Midian, put the context of a Priest as one who stands in the gap succinctly when he told the budding Apostle-Prophet of Israel:

> **Exodus 18:19-22 (KJV)** *19 Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee: Be thou for the people to God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God: 20 And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do. 21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers*

of tens: 22 And let them judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear the burden with thee.

Priesthood Types: This speaks of the pattern or paradigm of priesthood. Some priesthood types are from Elohim and for His glory. Of these, there are priesthood types which reflect a personal revelation exercised by individuals like Abel, Noah, and Abraham before the Law was given.

There is also a temporal priesthood like the one Elohim instructed Moses to raise with Aaron and his descendants of the tribe of Levi, called the Levitical or Aaronic priesthood. It mediated the Old Covenant between Elohim and Israel and was valid until its types, symbols, and shadows were fulfilled in Yeshua, Jesus. From Him, proceeded the priesthood after the Order of Melchizedek which is the only accepted type in the New Covenant or Kingdom Church. We will dwell on these priesthood types in detail as Holy Spirit guides us into fullness of truth.

Evil Priesthood: It is noteworthy, just as there has been and will always be a righteous priesthood, Satan who actively opposes and distorts the plans of Elohim also has an evil priesthood. He uses his own order of priesthood to mediate between him and humans under his loop. He does not just stop there but also works over time to make those who are supposed to serve Elohim to distort their priestly functions in such a way to serve him or themselves/bellies or both! (Philippians 3:17-21) The point needs to be clearly made Satanic or Evil priesthoods are inspired by Satan for taking the hearts of humans away from Elohim and His purpose. Such priesthoods include that of Nimrod, the son of Cush.

The Altar: In the dispensation of time, before the law and during the Law, the Altar was the rendezvous between mortal, finite, carnal man and an immortal, Infinite and eternal Elohim. The presence of an altar was however nothing without sacrifices which were regularly made. In making

those sacrifices man demonstrated submission to Elohim; acknowledged that life, existence, and all blessings were received at His benefice. To offer Elohim firstlings or first fruit of flock and their fat was a demonstration of true worship.

Back to the Beginning: Understanding the Adamic Priesthood

The earth realm was created to be an extension of the Kingdom of Heaven. In His wisdom, Elohim created heaven and earth but gave the earth realm to Adam to exercise oversight on His behalf. The concept of priesthood therefore has its real root in the mandate Elohim, Creator of heaven and earth, gave to Adam and Eve and by extension humanity. It was a mandate for representing him in the earth to ensure all of creation is brought into subjection to His will. It was for this reason Adam and Eve received His dominion mandate over the whole creation.

> **Genesis 1:26-28 (KJV)** *26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. 28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.*

> **Genesis 2:15 (KJV)** *15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.*

> **Psalm 115:16 (KJV)** *16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.*

Perversion of the Priesthood of Adam

Let us note straight away Satan, as Lucifer, failed in his own priesthood in the courts of heaven as elaborated in Isaiah 14:12-18 and Ezekiel 28:12-19. Operating from the place of rebellion, which led to his own fall, Satan deliberately set out to distort truth and pervert the priesthood of Adam in order to subvert the Divine purpose for his life and the earth realm. Satan knew a fundamental truth: It takes a particular brand of priesthood to mediate a Covenant. Once the nature and pattern of a priesthood changes, it affects the Covenant!

What happened in Genesis 3:1-7 when Satan successfully seduced Adam and Eve away from the Divine purpose led to loss of the nature and presence of Elohim as Father of Adam and Eve! With the loss of their righteous priesthood, Adam and Eve lost their dominion in the earth realm. From victors, they became victims of circumstance who lived a life of works, devoid of grace (Compare Genesis 1:26-29 with Genesis 3:16-19).

Furthermore, Adam and Eve began to reproduce after their fallen nature following expulsion from both the Garden of Eden and the spiritual nature and presence of Elohim.

> **Genesis 5:1-3 (KJV)** *1 This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him; 2 Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created. 3 And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, and after his image; and called his name Seth:*

Righteous Priesthoods Between the Fall and the Law

The Priesthood of Abel

In the cradle of human civilization, this switch in nature from Divine to satanic had such an impact that Cain, the first son of Adam, slew his brother Abel. A very important and often overlooked reality in the story

of the two brothers was they exercised priestly duties. Cain who evidently operated an evil priesthood tried to minister to Elohim out of his fleshly abilities (works of his hand) in furtherance of the Adamic curse in Genesis 3:16-19. This was of course rejected since both the person making an offering and his offering were corrupted.

On the other hand, Abel saw the futility of relying on arm of the flesh and product of his ability to worship. Abel deemed himself unqualified to approach Elohim on his own merit. By faith, he offered a Blood sacrifice and thereby announced his hope for redemption in what Yeshua would do in the distant future! Not only that, he offered the best: Both the first fruit of his flock as well as the fat thereof (Genesis 4:4).

> **Genesis 4:1-8 (KJV)** *1 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. 2 And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. 3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. 4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: 5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. 6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? 7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. 8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.*

Commentary on Abel's righteous priesthood and sacrifice. The New Testament acknowledged the quality of life of Abel and his sacrifice in two scriptures which combine to present us a beautiful profile of this man:

Matthew 23:35 (KJV) *35 That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.*

Hebrews 11:4 (KJV) *4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.*

The Priesthood of Noah

At a time when the whole world came to the logical apex of sin and sinfulness, Elohim had only one option: To wipe out humanity and start again with only one man who had found grace in His sight, Noah.

Genesis 6:1-8 (KJV) *1 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, 2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. 3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. 4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown. 5 And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. 7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. 8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.*

Genesis chapters 6, 7, and 8 offer an extraordinary account of something worse than Armageddon: Annihilation of not just humanity, but also all living things on planet earth! Only Noah, his wife, three sons and their wives survived with species of animals that were preserved in the ark. True to his priestly calling, what Noah did after the flood was remarkable:

> **Genesis 8:14-19 (KJV)** *14 And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried. 15 And God spake unto Noah, saying, 16 Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee. 17 Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee, of all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth. 18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him: 19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, and whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.*

Commentary: As a true priest and king in the earth realm, Noah did nothing until he heard from Elohim. Secondly, he obeyed the instructions of Elohim to the letter! He did not add or subtract anything.

> *20 And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done. 22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.*

Commentary: Noah had his priorities right. The very first thing Noah did was not to eat and drink. It rather was to build an altar where he transacted

with Elohim. The second thing was to play a priestly role by offering Elohim burnt offerings of some of the animals preserved from the flood.

Abram

The life of Abraham as a priest was very remarkable. Wherever Elohim appeared to him, Abraham had the excellent spiritual habit of building altars and offering sacrifices:

> **Genesis 12:1-8 (KJV)** *1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. 4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. 5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. 6 And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land. 7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him. 8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.*

Commentary: In verses 7 and 8, we see Abram built altars to Elohim whenever he stepped on.

Genesis 13:1-4, 14-18 (KJV) *1 And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south. 2 And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold. 3 And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai; 4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had make there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.*

14 And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward: 15 For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever. 16 And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered. 17 Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee. 18 Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

Commentary: In verses 4 and 18 we see Abraham continue in his priestly functions of building and servicing altars to Elohim. It was in his passionate execution of this devotion that Abram developed such an intimacy with Elohim as to hear His voice; have face to face 'physical' contact as in Genesis 14:17; and 18.

Genesis 14:18-24 (KJV) *18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God. 19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: 20 And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all. 21 And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself. 22 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, 23 That I will not take from a thread*

even to a shoe latchet, and that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich: 24 Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion.

Genesis 17:1-14, 21-27 (KJV) *1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly. 3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying, 4 As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. 5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. 6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee. 7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee. 8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God. 9 And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations. 10 This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised. 11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you. 12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed. 13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant. 14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.*

21 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year. 22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham. 23 And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him. 24 And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 25 And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son. 27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

Commentary: Here Elohim, adjusted and upgraded the priesthood of Abraham. From meeting at physical altars, He offered something more profound: Sealing of their covenant in the physical bodies of Abraham and his offspring through circumcision. This priesthood automatically brought all the offspring into a relationship with Abraham. That is how the Hebrews (now known as Jews) became an elect people.

Genesis 18:16-33 (KJV) *16 And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way. 17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; 18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? 19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him. 20 And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; 21 I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know. 22 And the men turned their faces from thence, and*

went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD. 23 And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked? 24 Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that are therein? 25 That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? 26 And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes. 27 And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the LORD, which am but dust and ashes: 28 Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for lack of five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy it. 29 And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for forty's sake. 30 And he said unto him, Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do it, if I find thirty there. 31 And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the LORD: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for twenty's sake. 32 And he said, Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for ten's sake. 33 And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

Commentary: Verses 17-19 show how highly Elohim esteemed Abraham. The intimacy of their relationship was outstanding. In verses 20-33, we see Abraham in a great manifestation of priesthood as he stood in the gap, interceding for the righteous in Sodom (Lot and family).

Genesis 20:17-18 (KJV) *17 So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare*

children. 18 For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.

Commentary: In verses 17 and 18, we see Abraham the priest intercedes for Abimelech.

Genesis 21:1-5, 33 (KJV) *1 And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken. 2 For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him. 3 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac. 4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him. 5 And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.*

33 And Abraham planted a grove in Beersheba, and called there on the name of the LORD, the everlasting God.

Commentary: Isaac was conceived and born after Abraham's circumcision. Verse 33 reveals Abraham continued in worship of Elohim thereafter.

Genesis 22:1-18 (KJV) *1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. 2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of. 3 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. 4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off. 5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you. 6 And*

Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. 7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? 8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. 9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. 10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son. 11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I. 12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me. 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son. 14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen. 15 And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time, 16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son: 17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; 18 And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

Commentary: Genesis chapter 22 sees Abraham take his priesthood to an exceptionally high level: Willingness to offer Isaac as a sacrifice to Elohim. Both as an act of obedience and symbol of worship, Abraham excelled in this regard as a priest of Elohim. In so doing, he secured a

commitment of Divine provision and security that his descendants have enjoyed till this day!

Contemporary Applications: Elohim Enjoins us to Emulate Abraham

> **Isaiah 51:1-2 (KJV)** *1 Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. 2 Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him.*

Let us therefore emulate his faith walk as well as the concept of raising altars to the Lord wherever He plants us – both in Pulpit Ministry as well as in the Market Place, the Community and in Civil society.

When we are given promotion into new offices or move to new locations, let us build altars to the Lord. These are not physical structures but rather a dedication of ourselves and the promotion or business to Elohim for His glory. In order words, to consecrate ourselves completely to Elohim!

Review Questions

1. Who is a Priest?

2. What is an Altar?

3. What are some of the most striking lessons you take away from this teaching note?