

~ABIHU (308)
(A-bi'hu) [He Is Father]

- One of Aaron's four sons by his wife Elisheba, the brother of Nadab, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
- Now Aaron took Elisheba, Amminadab's daughter, the sister of Nahshon, as his wife. Later she bore him Nadab and **Abihu**, Eleazar and Ithamar. (**Exodus 6:23**)
- And the sons of Amram were Aaron and Moses, and there was Miriam. And the sons of Aaron were Nadab and **Abihu**, Eleazar and Ithamar. (**1 Chronicles 6:3**)
- Now the sons of Aaron had their divisions. The sons of Aaron were Nadab and **Abihu**, Eleazar and Ithamar. (**1 Chronicles 24:1**)
- Born in Egypt, **Abihu**, as the second son of Aaron, was a mature man by the time of the Exodus, his father then being 83 years old.
- And Aaron was a hundred and twenty-three years old at his death on Mount Hor. (**Numbers 33:39**)
- As older sons, Nadab and **Abihu** were permitted by Yehowah to accompany their father and 70 of the older men of Israel in approaching Mount Sinai and there to see from a distance a magnificent vision of God's glory.
- And to Moses he said; Go up to Yehowah, you and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu and seventy of the older men of Israel, and you must bow down from a distance. (**Exodus 24:1**)
- And Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu and seventy of the older men of Israel proceeded to go up. (**Exodus 24:9**)
- And they got to see the God of Israel. And under his feet there was what seemed like a work of sapphire flagstones and like the very heavens for purity. (**Exodus 24:10**)
- And he did not put out his hand against the distinguished men of the sons of Israel, but they got a vision of the true God and ate and drank. (**Exodus 24:11**)

- **Yehowah honored Aaron's sons, appointing them to serve as priests with their father, the High Priest, and ordaining that from among them should come Aaron's eventual successor. They would wear priestly robes and headgears for glory and beauty. Moses was to anoint them and fill their hand with power and sanctify them for their service to God.**

- **And as for you, bring near to yourself Aaron your brother and his sons with him from the midst of the sons of Israel that he may act as priest to me, Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron. (Exodus 28:1)**

- **And for Aaron's sons you will make robes, and you must make sashes for them, and you will make headgears for them for glory and beauty. (Exodus 28:40)**

- **And with them you must clothe Aaron your brother and his sons with him, and you must anoint them and fill their hand with power and sanctify them, and they must act as priests to me. (Exodus 28:41)**

- **And make drawers of linen for them to cover the naked flesh. From the hips and to the thighs they are to extend. (Exodus 28:42)**

- **And they must be upon Aaron and his sons when they come into the tent of meeting or when they go near to the altar to minister in the holy place, that they may not incur error and certainly die. It is a statute to time indefinite for him and his offspring after him. (Exodus 28:43)**

- **The priesthood would become theirs as a statute to time indefinite.**

- **Then you will bring his sons near and you must clothe them with the robes. (Exodus 29:8)**

- **And you must gird them with the sashes, Aaron as well as his sons, and you must wrap the headgear upon them. The priesthood must become theirs as a statute to time indefinite. So you must fill the hand of Aaron and the hand of his sons with power. (Exodus 29:9)**

- Thereafter they were continually included in God's instructions regarding the priesthood and its functions.
- You must now present the bull before the tent of meeting, and Aaron and his sons must lay their hands upon the bulls head. (Exodus 29:10)
- And you must slaughter the bull before Yehowah, at the entrance of the tent of meeting. (Exodus 29:11)
- And you must take some of the bull's blood and put it with your finger upon the horns of the altar, and all the rest of the blood you will pour out at the base of the altar. (Exodus 29:12)
- And you must take all the fat that covers the intestines, and the appendage upon the liver, and the two kidneys and the fat that is upon them, and you must make them smoke upon the altar. (Exodus 29:13)
- But the bulls flesh and its skin and its dung you will burn with fire outside the camp. It is a sin offering. (Exodus 29:14)
- Then you will take the one ram, and Aaron and his sons must lay their hands upon the rams head. (Exodus 29:15)
- And you must slaughter the ram and take its blood and sprinkle it round about upon the altar. (Exodus 29:16)
- And you will cut up the ram into its pieces, and you must wash its intestines and its shanks and put its pieces to one another and up to its head. (Exodus 29:17)
- And you must make the entire ram smoke upon the altar. It is a burnt offering to Yehowah, a restful odor. It is an offering made by fire to Yehowah. (Exodus 29:18)
- Next you must take the other ram, and Aaron and his sons must lay their hands upon the rams head. (Exodus 29:19)
- And you must slaughter the ram and take some of its blood and put it upon the lobe of Aaron's right ear and upon the lobe of his sons right ear and upon the thumb of their right hand and the big toe of their right foot, and you must sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar. (Exodus 29:20)

- **And you must take some of the blood that is upon the altar and some of the anointing oil, and you must spatter it upon Aaron and his garments and upon his sons and the garments of his sons with him, that he and his garments and his sons and the garments of his sons with him may indeed be holy. (Exodus 29:21)**
- **And you must take from the ram the fat and the fat tail and the fat that covers the intestines, and the appendage of the liver, and the two kidneys and the fat that is upon them, and the right leg, for it is a ram of installation. (Exodus 29:22)**
- **Also a round loaf of bread and a ring-shaped cake of oiled bread and a wafer out of the basket of unfermented cakes that is before Yehowah. (Exodus 29:23)**
- **And you must place them all upon the palms of Aaron and upon the palms of his sons, and you must wave them to and fro as a wave offering before Yehowah. (Exodus 29:24)**
- **And you must take them off their hands and make them smoke upon the altar upon the burnt offering as a restful odor before Yehowah. It is an offering made by fire to Yehowah. (Exodus 29:25)**
- **And you must take the breast of the ram of installation, which is for Aaron, and wave it to and fro as a wave offering before Yehowah, and it must become your portion. (Exodus 29:26)**
- **And you must sanctify the breast of the wave offering and the leg of the sacred portion that was waved and that was contributed from the ram of installation, from what was for Aaron and from what was for his sons. (Exodus 29:27)**
- **And it must become Aaron's and his sons by a regulation to time indefinite to be performed by the sons of Israel, because it is a sacred portion, and it will become a sacred portion to be rendered by the sons of Israel. From their communion sacrifices it is their sacred portion for Yehowah. (Exodus 29:28)**
- **And the holy garments that are Aaron's will serve for his sons after him to anoint them in them and to fill their hand with power in them. (Exodus 29:29)**

- Seven days the priest who succeeds him from among his sons and who comes into the tent of meeting to minister in the holy place will wear them. (**Exodus 29:30**)
- And you will take the ram of installation, and you must boil its flesh in a holy place. (**Exodus 29:31**)
- And Aaron and his sons must eat the flesh of the ram and the bread that is in the basket at the entrance of the tent of meeting. (**Exodus 29:32**)
- And they must eat the things with which atonement has been made to fill their hand with power, in order to sanctify them. But a stranger may not eat them, because they are something holy. (**Exodus 29:33**)
- And if any of the flesh of the installation sacrifice and of the bread should be left over until the morning, then you must burn what is left over with fire. It must not be eaten, because it is something holy. (**Exodus 29:34**)
- And you must do this way to Aaron and his sons according to all that I have commanded you. You will take seven days to fill their hand with power. (**Exodus 29:35**)
- And you will offer the bull of the sin offering daily for an atonement, and you must purify the altar from sin by your making atonement over it, and you must anoint it to sanctify it. (**Exodus 29:36**)
- You will take seven days to make atonement over the altar, and you must sanctify it that it may indeed become a most holy altar. Anyone who touches the altar is to be holy. (**Exodus 29:37**)
- And this is what you will offer upon the altar, young rams each a year old, two a day constantly. (**Exodus 29:38**)
- And you will offer the one young ram in the morning, and you will offer the other young ram between the two evenings. (**Exodus 29:39**)
- And a tenth part of an ephah measure of fine flour moistened with the fourth of a hin of beaten oil, and a drink offering of the

- fourth of a hin of wine, will go for the first young ram. ([Exodus 29:40](#))
- And you will offer the second young ram between the two evenings. With a grain offering like that of the morning and with a drink offering like its, you will render it as a restful odor, an offering made by fire to Yehowah. ([Exodus 29:41](#))
 - It is a constant burnt offering throughout your generations at the entrance of the tent of meeting before Yehowah, where I shall present myself to you people to speak to you there. ([Exodus 29:42](#))
 - And I will present myself there to the sons of Israel, and it will certainly be sanctified by my glory. ([Exodus 29:43](#))
 - And I will sanctify the tent of meeting and the altar, and I shall sanctify Aaron and his sons for them to act as priests to me. ([Exodus 29:44](#))
 - And I will tabernacle in the midst of the sons of Israel, and I will prove to be their God. ([Exodus 29:45](#))
 - And they will certainly know that I am Yehowah their God, who brought them out of the land of Egypt that I may tabernacle in the midst of them. I am Yehowah their God. ([Exodus 29:46](#))
 - And you must anoint with it the tent of meeting and the ark of the testimony. ([Exodus 30:26](#))
 - And the table and all its utensils and the lampstand and its utensils and the altar of incense. ([Exodus 30:27](#))
 - And the altar of burnt offering and all its utensils and the basin and its stand. ([Exodus 30:28](#))
 - And you must sanctify them that they may indeed become most holy. Anyone touching them is to be holy. ([Exodus 30:29](#))
 - And you will anoint Aaron and his sons, and you must sanctify them for acting as priests to me. ([Exodus 30:30](#))
 - And you will speak to the sons of Israel, saying; This is to continue as a holy anointing oil to me during your generations.

(Exodus 30:31)

- **It is not to be rubbed in the flesh of mankind, and with its composition you must not make any like it. It is something holy. It is to continue as something holy for you. (Exodus 30:32)**
- **Anyone who makes an ointment like it and who puts some of it upon a stranger must be cut off from his people. (Exodus 30:33)**
- **And Yehowah went on to say to Moses; Take to yourself perfumes, stacte drops and onycha and perfumed galbanum and pure frankincense. There should be the same portion of each. (Exodus 30:34)**
- **And you must make it into an incense, a spice mixture, the work of an ointment maker, salted, pure, something holy. (Exodus 30:35)**
- **And you must pound some of it into fine powder and put some of it before the Testimony in the tent of meeting, where I shall present myself to you. It should be most holy to you people. (Exodus 30:36)**
- **And the incense that you will make with this composition, you must not make for yourselves. For you it is to continue as something holy to Yehowah. (Exodus 30:37)**
- **Whoever makes any like it to enjoy its smell must be cut off from his people. (Exodus 30:38)**
- **Also, God emphatically impressed upon them, as well as upon the entire nation, the vital importance of respecting the sanctity of the things related to his worship, including the altar of incense and incidental equipment. Their lives depended upon their respecting the divine regulations.**