~MINISTRY (225)

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- The Levites were to cover with a blue cloth all the utensils of their ministry when transporting the tabernacle.
- And they must take all the utensils of the ministry with which they regularly minister in the holy place, and they must put them in a cloth of blue and cover them with a covering of sealskins and put them upon a bar. (Numbers 4:12)
- Jehoiada used the money contributed to make utensils for the ministry of the house of Yehowah God.
- And as soon as they had finished they brought before the king and Jehoiada the rest of the money, and they proceeded to make utensils for the house of Yehowah, utensils for the ministry and for making offerings and cups and utensils of gold and of silver, and they came to be offerers of burnt sacrifices in the house of Yehowah constantly all the days of Jehoiada. (2 Chronicles 24:14)
- Earlier, Judas had been a faithful one, who had come to be numbered among the other apostles, one of the twelve, and who as such, had obtained a share in this ministry to Israel.
- Because he had been numbered among us and he obtained a share in this ministry. (Acts of Apostles 1:17)
- So they placed it into the hands of Yehowah God to select from these two men, which one would replace unfaithful Judas Iscariot, who had deviated from his assigned ministry.
- To take the place of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas deviated to go to his own place. (Acts of Apostles 1:25)
- They however were going to devote themselves to prayer and to the active ministry of the word, both among the believers and among those outside.
- But we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the

word. (Acts of Apostles 6:4)

- So Paul told the elders of Ephesus, that he did not consider his present life as dear to him, for he only wanted to finish the course and the ministry, that the Lord Jesus Christ had assigned to him, and to bear thorough witness to the undeserved-kindness of Yehowah God.
- Nevertheless, I do not make my soul of any account as dear to me, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received of the Lord Jesus, to bear thorough witness to the Good News of the undeserved kindness of God. (Acts of Apostles 20:24)
- So Paul greeted them, and he began giving a detailed account of all the things God had done through him, among the nations through his extensive ministry. Luke no doubt writing down all the many details for his narrative, here described.
- And he greeted them and began giving in detail an account of the things God did among the nations through his ministry. (Acts of Apostles 21:19)
- Paul now addresses the people of the nations to whom he has a commission to bring the Good News of God's Kingdom to them. He has been appointed as an apostle to the nations, and as such, he glorifies his God given ministry.
- Now I speak to you who are people of the nations. Forasmuch as I am, in reality, an apostle to the nations, I glorify my ministry. (Romans 11:13)
- If, like the Apostle Paul, we have been granted a ministry, then we should be active in that ministry. If he has granted us the ability to teach others, then we should be fully involved in that work, in behalf of others.
- Or a ministry, let us be at this ministry, or he that teaches, let him be at his teaching. (Romans 12:7)
- Paul knew, that the persecution going on in Jerusalem made it difficult for his anointed brothers there, and he expected trouble when he arrived there, which in fact did happen. So he asked his brothers in Rome to pray for him to make his ministerial trip successful and safe, so that he could then journey to them there in Rome. They were also

to pray for the success of his mission there, so that the holy ones in Jerusalem might be effectively helped through this difficult period.

- That I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea and that my ministry which is for Jerusalem may prove to be acceptable to the holy ones. (Romans 15:31)
- That is why Yehowah God through his great undeserved kindness has given us a ministry to declare the Good News of God's Kingdom to the extremities of the earth. That is why we do not give up in this ministry, for the glorious hope ahead drives us to success, and carries us to our goal, being in God's glorious presence as sons to himself.
- That is why, since we have this ministry according to the mercy that was shown us, we do not give up. (2 Corinthians 4:1)
- All these precious things are from God, who sent his Son to earth, and through whom he reconciled a world to himself, through their love of the Christ. We in turn have been given a ministry of reconciliation to preach to others saying to them; Become reconciled to God through Christ.
- But all things are from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of the reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:18)
- So then, Paul wanted to in no way give worldly people any cause for stumbling, because of the importance of the message he carried in his ministry. Thus no one would be able to find any fault, with the way in which Paul carried this message to others.
- In no way are we giving any cause for stumbling, that our ministry might not be found fault with. (2 Corinthians 6:3)
- Once Paul made known to them about the relief ministration, that he was taking to Jerusalem, they came to him and begged him for the privilege of kindly giving and sharing in the ministry for the holy ones there in Jerusalem. What a heartfelt response, to the glory of God!
- While they of their own accord kept begging us with much entreaty for the privilege of kindly giving and for a share in the ministry destined for the holy ones. (2 Corinthians 8:4)

- Paul now addresses the gift itself. He has already discussed the gift, and the reasons for giving it, and so it is superfluous for him to go over it again.
- Now concerning the ministry that is for the holy ones, it is superfluous for me to write you. (2 Corinthians 9:1)
- The purpose of this ministry was not just to supply the needs of the holy ones in Jerusalem, but to make those in Corinth and elsewhere, rich in godly deeds, and expressions of thanks to God.
- Because the ministry of this public service is not only to supply abundantly the wants of the holy ones but also to be rich with many expressions of thanks to God. (2 Corinthians 9:12)
- Those there in Jerusalem will no doubt glorify God, for their kind gift is proof of Paul's ministry, that they are submissive to the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom, that Paul carries forth. It shows, that they are Christians and caring for the needs of all their brothers, and their generous contribution is proof of the Good News being alive in their hearts, to God's glory.
- Through the proof that this ministry gives, they glorify God because you are submissive to the Good News about the Christ, as you publicly declare you are, and because you are generous in your contribution to them and to all. (2 Corinthians 9:13)
- Archippus is a fellow worker of Paul's and lives in Colossae, and Paul counsels him to keep watching the ministry, that he accepted in the Lord, and to work hard to fulfill it.
- Also, tell Archippus; Keep watching the ministry which you accepted in the Lord, that you fulfill it. (Colossians 4:17)
- Paul now expresses his gratefulness to the Lord Jesus Christ, who has imparted power to him to perform a ministry, that of the preaching of the Good News of God's Kingdom
- I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who imparted power to me, because he considered me faithful by assigning me to a ministry. (1 Timothy 1:12)
- Paul now encourages Timothy to take a different course, by keeping his spiritual senses in all things. He must be willing to suffer

through evil, for it is not going away soon, and he must do the work of an evangelizer of the Good News of God's Kingdom, and thereby fully accomplish his ministry.

- You, though, keep your senses in all things, suffer evil, do the work of an evangelizer, fully accomplish your ministry. (2 Timothy 4:5)
- Jehovah's Witnesses have a fine record of good works going back many years. They uphold truth in the community, raise good families and are active preachers of the Kingdom Good News.
- They have endured in this fine work for 83 years now. They have also expanded this ministry in recent years to worldwide proportions.
- I know your deeds, and your love and faith and ministry and endurance, and that your deeds of late are more than those formerly. (Revelation 2:19)