

Exodus 29:44

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office.

Analysis

God promises to dwell among Israel, meeting them at the tabernacle, His glory sanctifying the place and people. The daily offerings maintain covenant relationship—morning and evening, continually before the LORD. This perpetual worship prefigures Christ's eternal intercession and the New Covenant promise: 'I will be their God, and they shall be my people.' The tabernacle becomes the meeting place where God and man commune through prescribed atonement.

Historical Context

The daily burnt offerings (morning and evening) continued throughout Israel's history, maintaining the covenant relationship established at Sinai. This perpetual worship demonstrated that relationship with God requires ongoing devotion, not one-time commitment.

Related Passages

1 Corinthians 13:4 — Characteristics of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Study Questions

1. How does Christ's eternal intercession fulfill the 'daily offerings' pattern?
2. What does God's promise to 'dwell among you' mean for your daily life?

Interlinear Text

וְאֶקְדֹּשׁ	אֶת	אֶת־הַ	מִוֶּעֶד	וְאֶת־	הַמִּזְבֵּחַ
And I will sanctify	H853	the tabernacle	of the congregation	H853	and the altar
H6942		H168	H4150		H4196
וְאֶת־	אֶת־הָ	וְאֶת־	בְּנֵי יוֹ	וְאֶקְדֹּשׁ	
H853	also both Aaron	H853	and his sons	And I will sanctify	
	H175		H1121	H6942	
	לְכֹהֵן	לִי:			
	to minister to me in the priest's office	H0			
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Additional Cross-References

Leviticus 21:15 (Parallel theme): Neither shall he profane his seed among his people: for I the LORD do sanctify him.

John 10:36 (Parallel theme): Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?

Leviticus 22:16 (Parallel theme): Or suffer them to bear the iniquity of trespass, when they eat their holy things: for I the LORD do sanctify them.

Leviticus 22:9 (Parallel theme): They shall therefore keep mine ordinance, lest they bear sin for it, and die therefore, if they profane it: I the LORD do sanctify them.