

# Are you Giving Him your best?

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Shabbat Shalom Brethren,

If Yehovah is dwelling in your Temple, in you, what does it look like?

If the Queen was coming to your home what would it look like? Would you clean it up and make it shine with spit and polish or would she find dust and spider webs everywhere she touched. Garbage under the couch, smelly diapers at the front door.

In like manner if you were going to visit the Queen at Buckingham Palace, would you wear your work clothes or would you put on the best you had.

Then based on the obvious answers to this you had better get your Temple ship shape ASAP. The Creator of the Universe is going to dwell there. And when you come to your appointment to meet with Him each Shabbat in your assemblies stop wearing your just rolled out of bed clothes. Or the clothes that have not seen a washing machine in months. Make an effort to dress the best you can to meet the Creator of the Universe. Iron those shirts and comb your hair. Each person at this meeting represents an Ambassador of the Kingdom of the most High. Treat them as such and with the utmost respect. Or you will be held accountable by the King.

In the West we have such a shallow regard for the Office of our King. It is time to change this and to esteem it with the utmost respect we can muster. Dress for the appointment you are going to have each Shabbat, treat the other ambassadors with the esteem and respect they deserve whether earned or not.

I once corresponded with a friend about the 3 ½ year torah study and each time he addressed me he would call me Your Majesty and he treated me with the utmost respect. I asked him why he did this. His answer was because that is the office I am called to hold as he was and as you are. It did not matter that he knew much more than I did. In time I would learn and catch up.

So, Your Majesty, your Royal Highness, please treat the other Royalty with the respect and honour becoming of the office they are being trained to occupy. Please dress according to the high stature you have now been called to administrate and when you come before the King of all Kings on each Shabbat, know before whom you are to come and dress and act with the utmost regard to Him who hears you and your conversations and sees your actions before and during and after the appointment. And tremble He does not execute the judgment on you that you so freely do on others be they in the faith or not.

I have two other things I want to say this week. When you come to offering up your prayers, are they the end of the day sleepy ones which never get done because you fall asleep? Or are they not done at all?

The daily offerings were done at 9am and 3 pm each day. These are what Daniel is talking about in his prophecy of the 2300 morning and evenings. These were the grain offerings and they were to be the finest of flour for these offerings which anyone could make. They had to be the very best that one could muster up. Generally they were made with wheat.

You Brethren represent the wheat and the very best will be what we offer up in our prayers, which was what Daniel did at 9 and 3 each day. He could not do the lambs but he could do the prayers at that time and he did. As did David and I am finding a number of other places that also did so.

I have been trying to do this this past week and I have found it to be very hard to do. Either I forget or something happens at work about this time. But I am making it part of my time when I am going to pray. I just have to get it into my habits.

We need to change our attitudes about our prayers, our time at Shabbat and with each other.

Stop giving Yehovah your sleepy time prayers; stop coming to Sabbath so casual that we can't tell if you on your way to work or Shabbat; Stop treating each other and Yehovah as common. You are to be Holy. Your prayers are to be Holy, and the brethren are to be Holy and your gathering on Shabbat is a Holy time. Stop making everything that is Holy common. Start treating each other like Royalty; Start treating the time on Shabbat like you are at Buckingham Palace; start dressing up as if you are to meet the King of Kings. Start acting like the King is about to come and visit you. Treat your spouse as the King or the Queen they are.