

Message notes
Shabbat April 26, 2025
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- Lev 10:1-5; 16-20
- Aaron and Moses dispute
- Satan used Aaron's son's for evil
- Even in the midst of the most holy Satan can influence us
- We cannot control Satan, but we can control our response. We can decide not to participate in his game. We can decide not to present the opportunity for him to infect our lives.
- Moses in his attempts to fulfill the mitzvot forgotten his humanity. Aaron's response was in defense of his family.
- Love covers sins, especially when dealing with God's righteous people. We must be careful in judging for a level of perfection without understanding the challenges that person may have. Let God be the judge.
- Prohibition against strong drink for the priests: Lev 10:8-11
- 1 Pet 5:8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.
- To be sober-minded is the opposite of being double-minded. It is to place careful and diligent thought towards the things of the kingdom of heaven.
- We must always be sober minded in the things of the kingdom of heaven. Our families, our marriages, our dedication to the local community, our business dealings, children, the virtues of the faithful.
- 10:3 Then Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD has said: 'Among those who are near me I will be sanctified, and before all the people I will be glorified.'" And Aaron held his peace.
- Matt 3:11 "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 12 His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."
- 1 Cor 3:11 For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw — 13 each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done.
- One of the character traits of God is that of permanence. He works a perfect and are everlasting. We too can tap into this spirit of permanence if we live our lives, paying proper respect and sober mindedness to the things of the kingdom of heaven.

Notes for message

Notes for my message on shabbat. Revolving around the Parashat Portion