THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PRIESTHOOD, KINGSHIP, AND PROPHETHOOD

- 1. Definition of a priest
- 2. All God's People being Priests

Exodus 19:3, 5-6 And Moses went up to God, and Jehovah called to him out of the mountain, saying, Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the children of Israel:_Now therefore if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My personal treasure from among all peoples, for all the earth is Mine._And you shall be to Me <u>a kingdom of priests</u> and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the children of Israel.

3. The Primary Duty of a Priest

Exodus 25:21-22 And you shall put the expiation cover upon the Ark above *it*, and into the Ark you shall put the Testimony that I will give you. <u>And there I will meet with you, and I will speak with you</u> from above the expiation cover, from between the two cherubim which are upon the Ark of the Testimony, of everything which I will give you in commandment to the children of Israel.

4. The New Testament reality

Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come forward with boldness to the throne of grace that we may receive mercy and find grace for timely help.

2Corinthians 3:18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

5. The priesthood bringing in the proper kingship.

1Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people acquired for a possession, so that you may tell out the virtues of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

Psalms 27:4 One thing I have asked from Jehovah; / That do I seek: / To dwell in the house of Jehovah / All the days of my life, / To behold the beauty of Jehovah, / And to inquire in His temple.

Acts 1:13-14 And when they entered, they went up to the upper room where they were residing, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James *the son* of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas *the brother* of James. <u>These all continued steadfastly with one accord in prayer</u>, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.

Acts 4:13 And as they beheld the boldness of Peter and John and perceived that they were uneducated men and laymen, they marveled and they recognized them, that they had been with Jesus.