

INTRO: "Donning & Doffing" PPE (PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT) in the workplace. If your job requires you to wear certain clothes, safety gear or sanitation protection, then they are required to pay you for the time it takes to "get dressed for work" and make sure you have the appropriate materials, supplies and gear. *It's important to wear the the right clothes and covering, depending on your job. So, once you're hired (called) into a position, you get clothed, and then you get sent to work.

I. Called (Consecrated) - 28:1-2; 29:1, 7

- A. **He chooses/determines.** By Name. Intentional. Specific. Imperfect People.
- B. **Not because they were more holy or less sinful.** More qualified or worthy. Sinners.
- C. **He equips.** Sets apart. Sanctifies. Holy. Gifts. Qualifies. **Anointed (Christ = Anointed One).**
- D. **Access to God thru Christ (Mediator).** Justified. Consecrated by Blood. 7days = completion.

ILLUSTRATION: Eugene Peterson quote about pastors being no different.

APPLICATION:

1. **He calls you by name. Knows my name.** *"For God so loved **Kent**" "loved **Kent** and died for **Kent**"*
2. **If you are trusting in the blood of Jesus, He calls you Holy.** Kingdom of Priests. Holy & Beloved.

II. Clothed - 28:3-5; 9-12; 15-24; 29:18-21; 29-30

- A. **Elaborate & Fancy & Expensive.** Nice. Elaborate. Special. Set apart. Only One. Clean & Pure.
- B. **Representative of the people. Shoulders. Stones.**

ILLUSTRATION: Little Boy. Outside waiting for church. Pastor reprimanded for coming to church in dirty clothes. Never went back.

1. **29:18-21: Ruined those new clothes!** All that work. Nice White Linen. Blood Stained now.
2. **Preaching Christ is Messy. Gospel Ministry gets bloody.**
3. **The Gospel ruins any self-righteous, self-salvation projects.** Stains our clothes of self-righteousness. All of our righteousness is filthy rags. Self-Righteous people don't like the Gospel. Cross. Blood. Sin. Judgment. Punishment. Guilt. But it's only the Blood of Jesus that actually makes us clean.
4. **He's got to ruin and mess up your nice, neat, self-righteous garments that you wear as a cover** of self-protection from your hidden guilt, shame and unbelief, so that you will see that only the Blood of Jesus and His Righteous garments can make you presentable.

APPLICATION:

1. **Jesus wore our flesh/rags,** so we could wear his spotless garments.
2. **29:29-30: Only one priestly garment.** Perfect righteousness, Jesus gives to us. Pass it on in faith.
3. **Because of this,** there is zero biblical evidence for dressing up nicely or a certain way for church. Jesus is more concerned with your Soul than your Suit.

III. Commissioned (Sent to Serve) - 28:29-31; 36-38; 29:18-21; 38-39, 42

- A. **Serving God. Fear God. Respect God. His Approval.**
- B. **Serving the People.** **ONLY JESUS DOES THIS PERFECTLY!**
 1. **Intercedes and Prays for the People.** *(Became a servant // came to serve not be served)*
 2. **Offers Sacrifices.** Takes them to the altar. (Take them to the Cross/Sacrifice)
 - a) **Bears the Judgment of the People on His Heart.**
 - b) **Bears the Guilt of the People on His Forehead.** Holy Headband.
 - c) **Bears/Carries the names of His people on His Shoulders. Remembrance.** (28:12)

APPLICATION/CONCLUSION:

1. **Ex. 29:38-39, 42** - Preach Gospel to yourself and others daily. Sunrise and Sunset. We need constant reminders of the Blood of Jesus and His death on the Cross for the forgiveness of our sins. Daily.
2. **Ex. 29:45-46** - I will be their God. They will be my people. They will know I am the LORD who brought them out. EXODUS. Salvation. I will dwell with them. As the Royal Priesthood, we remind each other of our salvation and hope. Not one and done. Remember the promises. **Rev. 21. "Now and Not Yet."**
3. **We have a Great High Priest when we are let down by ourselves and others.** Faithful. Perfect.
4. **We can Pray with and for each other.**