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THE FIRSTBORN SWAP

- The Firstborns are Yahweh's
- The Firstborn Separation
- The Legal Precedent
- Y'shua as Firstborn and Priest
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Did Y'shua come to start a new religion or was He walking in the fulfillment of everything His Father had instituted into the earth? Look to His words for the answer; I did not come to abolish the law, but to fulfill, and I did not come with My own doctrine, but the doctrine of My Father who sent Me. As we navigate Yahweh's Word, if you have eyes to see, you will notice throughout Scripture, where the legal precedents were set for Y'shua to be who He was and do what He did. In our exploration this week we find the exact precedent that permits a priest of the most high to stand in as the

Firstborn Sacrifice for the children of God. Truly amazing! Join us for another time of refreshing revelation.

THEME: MAIN SCRIPTURE(S) THAT HAS INSPIRED MESSAGE

“Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: **“Now behold, I Myself have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of every firstborn who opens the womb among the children of Israel.** Therefore the Levites shall be Mine, because all the firstborn are Mine. On the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, I **sanctified to Myself all the firstborn in Israel**, both man and beast. They shall be Mine: I am the LORD.”” Numbers 3:11-13 NKJV.

OUTCOME: MAIN TAKEAWAY(S) I AM HOPING FOR PEOPLE

“He is the image of the invisible God, **the firstborn over all creation.**” ... “And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.” (Colossians 1:15, 18 NKJV) “And **every priest stands ministering daily and offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins** forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.” Hebrews 10:11-14 NKJV

Let's Set the Scene: Portion in a blurb

1. The Hebrew name of the fourth book of the Torah is Bamidbar (במדבר), which means "In the wilderness." The English title of the book is "Numbers," which is derived from the Greek Septuagint (LXX) version of the Torah. The book of Numbers tells the story of Israel's trek through the wilderness on their way to the Promised Land, their failure at the edge of the land and the subsequent forty years of wandering. It concludes with the story of the second generation's triumphs over the first Canaanite resistance. The book ends with the Israelites poised on the edge of Canaan, ready to take their inheritance. Woven in the midst of these narratives is a significant amount of legal material.
2. The first reading begins with a census of the tribes of Israel and the Levitical families just prior to the departure from Sinai.
3. **The First Census of Israel:** first *day* of the second month, in the second year after they had come out of the land of Egypt—Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by family by the fathers' houses [Tribe of Israel], every male individually from twenty years old and above—all who *are able to go to war in Israel*.

4. A man from every tribe, each one the head of his father's house was selected and named. The ancestry by families of all men twenty years old and above was detailed.
- (a) Reuben, Israel's oldest son: forty-six thousand five hundred.
 - (b) Simeon: fifty-nine thousand three hundred
 - (c) Gad; forty-five thousand six hundred and fifty
 - (d) Judah: seventy-four thousand six hundred
 - (e) Issachar: fifty-four thousand four hundred
 - (f) Zebulun: fifty-seven thousand four hundred
 - (g) Joseph:
 - 1. the children of Ephraim: forty thousand five hundred.
 - 2. the children of Manasseh: thirty-two thousand two hundred.
 - (h) Benjamin: thirty-five thousand four hundred.
 - (i) Dan: sixty-two thousand seven hundred.
 - (j) Asher: forty-one thousand five hundred.
 - (k) Naphtali: fifty-three thousand four hundred.
 - (l) The ones who were numbered, twelve men and their sons from twenty years old and above: six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty.
 - (m) Levites were not numbered: Yahweh said Levi you shall not number, nor take a census of them.
5. Appoint the Levites over:

- (a) the tabernacle of the Testimony, over all its furnishings, and over all things that belong to it;
 - (b) they shall carry the tabernacle and all its furnishings;
 - (c) they shall attend to it and camp around the tabernacle.
 - (d) And when the tabernacle is to go forward, the Levites shall take it down; and when the tabernacle is to be set up, the Levites shall set it up.
6. **The Tribes and Leaders by Armies:** How and where the tribes pitch their tents and the order in which they move and how the tabernacle gets moved are described in detail.
 7. The Sons of Aaron are named including a reminder of what happened to Nadab and Abihu and how Eleazar and Ithamar took over.
 8. The Levites Serve in the Tabernacle: they shall attend the needs of the whole congregation before the tabernacle of meeting, and to do all the work of the tabernacle.
 9. Yahweh shows that He has taken the entire tribe of the Levites as firstborns instead of the firstborns from the other tribes because all the firstborn are His as per the Passover incident in Egypt.
 10. **Census of the Levites Commanded:** The sons of Levi and all their sons over one month are counted and the duties in the ministry of the tabernacle for each son is described. Eleazar was

*to be chief over the leaders of the Levites, with oversight of those who kept charge of the sanctuary. "All who were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron numbered at the commandment of the LORD, by their families, all the males from a month old and above, were **twenty-two thousand.**"*

Numbers 3:39 NKJV

11. Levites Dedicated Instead of the Firstborn: number all of the firstborn males from a month old and above, from all the tribes—you shall take the Levites for Me—instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel: the number was **twenty-two thousand two hundred and seventy-three.**
12. Now there were **two hundred and seventy-three** more firstborns of the children of Israel (22,273) then there were Levites to redeem them (22,000). So, take five shekels for each of the 273 firstborn in excess of number redeemed but the Levites and give it to Aaron and his sons (1365 shekels).
13. The duties of the Sons of Kohath (ages 30 to 50 years old) are described in detail and how they are to prepare and move and carry the table of showbread, the altar, the ark and all the utensils, Strict warning is given to not touch any holy thing, lest they die.
14. Eleazar is appointed the oversight of the tabernacle and so the family of the Kohathites do not die when they approach the

most holy things, Aaron and his sons go in and cover them first before the Kohathites come in to move them;

“ALL THE FIRSTBORNS ARE MINE,” SAYS YAHWEH

1. Firstborns Represent Something Bigger

A. The Firstborn Separation

(1) Separation of Sons

- (a) **Blood to spare the Firstborns:** ‘For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the **firstborn** in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. **Now the blood shall be a sign** for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. ‘So this day shall be to you a memorial; and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD throughout your generations. You shall keep it as a feast by an everlasting ordinance.

Exodus 12:12-14

- (b) “For the LORD will **pass through to strike** the Egyptians; and **when He sees the blood** on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD **will pass over** the door and

not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you.” Exodus 12:23 NKJV

- (c) “And it came to pass at midnight that **the LORD struck all the firstborn** in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of livestock. So Pharaoh rose in the night, he, all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was not a house where there was not one dead.” Exodus 12:29-30 NKJV

- (I) **Questions to ponder:** What did Passover accomplish? Who was at risk and who was not? Who came out with Israel and how? Who was left behind and why?
- (II) Passover separated firstborns from firstborns. Those who had faith to apply the blood and live, from those who did not and died.
- (III) Passover separated firstborns from non-firstborns. Non-firstborns were never at risk and therefore lived with or without the blood of the lamb.
- (IV) Passover separated non-firstborns with faith who left in the exodus to follow the God of Israel and non-firstborns with no faith who stayed in Egypt.

(V) Please recognize that there are ultimately three types of sons here. “A mixed multitude went up with them also, and flocks and herds—a great deal of livestock.”

Exodus 12:38 NKJV

- 1) Firstborn Sons who were delivered out of bondage by faith and the blood of the Lamb. (Note that we are the church of the Firstborn—See *Hebrews 12:18-24)
- 2) Non-firstborn sons who were delivered out of bondage by faith alone (they did not require blood to survive but needed faith to leave on the winning side!) Who on earth today has faith in the God of Israel but is not covered by the blood of the lamb?
- 3) Firstborn sons who died immediately because they had neither faith nor blood, and non-firstborns sons who died eventually because they had no faith!

(VI) ***Look at this Passover/Exodus language when referring to the church.** “For you have not come to **the mountain** that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard it begged that the word

should not be spoken to them anymore. (For they could not endure what was commanded: “And if so much as a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned or shot with an arrow.” And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, “I am exceedingly afraid and trembling.”) **But you have come to Mount Zion** and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and **church of the firstborn** who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.”
Hebrews 12:18-24 NKJV

B. The Legal Precedent (First You Must Have a Law)

(1) Say to Pharaoh, Israel is My firstborn

(a) “Then you shall say to Pharaoh, ‘Thus says the LORD:
“**Israel is My son, My firstborn.** So I say to you, let My son go that he may serve Me. But if you refuse to let him go, indeed I will kill your son, your firstborn.” ’ ”

Exodus 4:22-23 NKJV

(2) Consecrate to Yahweh all the firstborn

- (a) "Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, **"Consecrate to Me all the firstborn,** whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and beast; it is Mine."" Exodus 13:1-2 NKJV
- (3) All the firstborn of your sons you shall redeem
- (a) ""All that open the womb are Mine, and every male firstborn among your livestock, whether ox or sheep. But the firstborn of a donkey you shall redeem with a lamb. And if you will not redeem him, then you shall break his neck. **All the firstborn of your sons you shall redeem.** "And none shall appear before Me empty-handed." Exodus 34:19-20 NKJV
- (b) "Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, **"Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD "**"), and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."" Luke 2:22-24 NKJV

C. Then you have the calling of the priests to attend to the needs of the priesthood and the congregation.

- (1) “Bring the tribe of Levi near, and present them before Aaron the priest, that they may serve him. **And they shall attend to his needs and the needs of the whole congregation** before the tabernacle of meeting, to do the work of the tabernacle.” Numbers 3:6-7 NKJV
- (2) “And you shall give the Levites to Aaron and his sons; **they are given entirely to him from among the children of Israel.** So you shall appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall attend to their priesthood; but the outsider who comes near shall be put to death.” Numbers 3:9-10 NKJV

D. The Firstborn Swap Precedent

- (1) One Priest for One Firstborn
 - (a) “Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: “**Now behold, I Myself have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of every firstborn who opens the womb among the children of Israel.** Therefore **the Levites shall be Mine, because all the firstborn are Mine. On the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, I sanctified to Myself all the firstborn in Israel,** both man and beast. They shall be Mine: I am the LORD.”” Numbers 3:11-13 NKJV
 - (b) “And you shall **take the Levites for Me—I am the LORD —instead of all the firstborn among the children of**

Israel, and the livestock of the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the livestock of the children of Israel.””

Numbers 3:41 NKJV

- (c) Hint: Think of Y’shua as the the Priest as a substitute for the Firstborn. (SEE SECTION TWO)
- (d) Hint: think of yourself as the church of the first born and royal priests
 - (a) “the general assembly **and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, ...**” Hebrews 12:22-24
 - (b) “But you are a chosen generation, **a royal priesthood**, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;” 1 Peter 2:9

(2) Count all Tribes but Levi!

- (a) “**“Take a census of all the congregation of the children of Israel, by their families, by their fathers’ houses, according to the number of names, every male individually, from twenty years old and above—all who are able to go to war in Israel. You and Aaron shall number them by their armies.”** Numbers 1:2-3 NKJV
- (b) “**But the Levites were not numbered among them by their fathers’ tribe; for the LORD had spoken to Moses, saying: (49) “Only the tribe of Levi you shall not**

number, nor take a census of them among the children of Israel; but you shall appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of the Testimony, over all its furnishings, and over all things that belong to it; they shall carry the tabernacle and all its furnishings; they shall attend to it and camp around the tabernacle. And when the tabernacle is to go forward, the Levites shall take it down; and when the tabernacle is to be set up, the Levites shall set it up. **The outsider who comes near shall be put to death.”** Numbers 1:47-51 NKJV

- (c) “These are the ones who were numbered of the children of Israel by their fathers’ houses. All who were numbered according to their armies of the forces were six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty. **But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel,** just as the LORD commanded Moses.”

Numbers 2:32-33 NKJV

- (3) Count the Levites—Wait—they are counted, but not the same way!

- (a) **“Then the LORD spoke to Moses in the Wilderness of Sinai, saying: “Number the children of Levi by their fathers’ houses, by their families; you shall number**

every male from a month old and above." [INSTEAD OF 20+ AS IN 1:3] Numbers 3:14-15 NKJV

(4) Why?

- (a) "And you shall **take the Levites for Me**—I am the LORD —**instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel**, and the livestock of the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the livestock of the children of Israel.""
Numbers 3:41 NKJV

(5) Here is how it works. Note how Levi is counted differently from the other tribes as they need all the male priests one month and over to cover all the firstborns out of the 603,550 males twenty and over.

- (a) The total of Male Israelites 20 years and Older—they were counted at 20+ to serve in the army!
- (I) "So all who were numbered of the children of Israel, by their fathers' houses, **from twenty years old and above**, all who were able to go to war in Israel— all who were numbered were **six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty**. But the Levites were not numbered among them by their fathers' tribe;"
Numbers 1:45-47 NKJV
- (II) "These are the ones who were numbered of the children of Israel by their fathers' houses. All who

were numbered **according to their armies** of the forces were **six hundred and three thousand five hundred and fifty**. But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel, just as the LORD commanded Moses.” Numbers 2:32-33 NKJV

(b) The Total firstborns one month and older in THE 603,550 MEN:

(I) “Then the LORD said to Moses: “**Number all the firstborn males** of the children of Israel from a month old and above, and take the number of their names.” Numbers 3:40 NKJV

(II) “So Moses numbered all the firstborn among the children of Israel, as the LORD commanded him. And all the **firstborn males**, according to the number of names from a **month old and above**, of those who were numbered of them, were **twenty-two thousand two hundred and seventy-three**.” Numbers 3:42-43

(c) ESSENTIALLY ALL PRIESTS ARE TREATED AS FIRSTBORNS! The Total Levites one month and older—Levites are numbered differently than the total of the Army Age males of the others tribes. Why? Because the entirety of their number a month and older are treated as

firstborns so they can be swapped for the firstborns of all the other tribes.

- (l) “All who were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron numbered **at the commandment of the LORD**, by their families, all the males from a month old and above, were **twenty-two thousand.**”

Numbers 3:39 NKJV

- (d) What to do with the shortfall of 273 firstborns?

- (l) “Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: “Take the Levites **instead** of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the livestock of the Levites instead of their livestock. The Levites shall be Mine: I am the LORD. And for the **redemption of the two hundred and seventy-three of the firstborn of the children of Israel, who are more than the number of the Levites**, you shall take **five shekels** for each one individually; you shall take them in the currency of the shekel of the sanctuary, the shekel of twenty gerahs. And you shall give the money, with which the excess number of them is redeemed, to Aaron and his sons.” So Moses took the redemption money from those who were over and above those who were redeemed by the Levites. From the firstborn of the children of Israel

he took the money, **one thousand three hundred and sixty-five shekels**, according to the shekel of the sanctuary. And Moses **gave their redemption money to Aaron and his sons**, according to the word of the LORD, as the LORD commanded Moses.” Numbers 3:44-51 NKJV

THIS IS WHERE THE FIRSTBORN THING WAS HEADING ALL
ALONG

2. The Firstborn Remains an Important Concept, Forever!

A. Y’shua as Firstborn and Priest

(1) First let me remind you of the foundation of Y’shua’s ministry!

(a) Do not think that I came to **destroy** the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy **but to fulfill**.”
Matthew 5:17 NKJV

(I) **Destroy (Greek):** to loosen down, i.e. to demolish; specially to halt for the night.

(II) **Fulfill (Greek):** to make replete, i.e. to cram, level up, or to furnish, satisfy, execute, finish, verify, etc.

(III) So, with these together you see that He did not come to demolish or halt the law but to make it replete

which means to fill it up and make it well supplied
(with truth)!

- (b) “Jesus answered them and said, “My **doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me**. If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, **whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority.**”

John 7:16-17 NKJV

- (a) **Doctrine (Greek):** Teaching, doctrine, what is taught ; instruction.
 - (b) He was not making up a new religion, but “Making replete”, or bringing to its fullness, His Father’s teaching.
- (2) The Levite as the firstborn is a shadow of Messiah as firstborn.
- (a) “He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, **the firstborn over all creation**. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in

Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church, **who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead**, that in all things He may have the preeminence.”

Colossians 1:13-18 NKJV

(3) The Levite as the priest is a shadow of Messiah as priest.

(a) “Seeing then that we **have a great High Priest** who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Hebrews 4:14-16 NKJV

(b) “And every priest stands ministering daily and **offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins** forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.” Hebrews 10:11-14 NKJV

(c) “Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way

which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, **and having a High Priest over the house of God**, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.” Hebrews 10:19-23 NKJV

B. The Church as the Firstborn and Priests

(1) The Church is related as sons like the firstborns of Israel!

(a) “But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly **and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven**, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.” Hebrews 12:22-24 NKJV

(b) “But you are a chosen generation, **a royal priesthood**, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;” I Peter 2:9 NKJV

C. You, yes you, as the next Firstborn offering

(1) Israel is His firstborn

- (a) “Then you shall say to Pharaoh, ‘Thus says the LORD:
“**Israel is My son, My firstborn.** So I say to you, let My son go that he may serve Me. But if you refuse to let him go, indeed I will kill your son, your firstborn.” ’ ”

Exodus 4:22-23 NKJV

(2) Yahweh deals with you as sons

- (a) “If you endure chastening, **God deals with you as with sons**; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.” Hebrews 12:7-8 NKJV

(3) You are Israel and therefore His Firstborn

- (a) “Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands— that at that time you were without Christ, being **aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise**, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made both

one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, **so as to create in Himself one new man** from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, **therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God**, having been built on the foundation of the **apostles and prophets**, Jesus Christ Himself being the **chief corner stone**, in whom the whole building, **being fitted together, grows into a holy temple** in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit." Ephesians 2:11-22 NKJV

(4) This was the swap intended all along

(a) "Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: **"Now behold, I Myself have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of every firstborn who opens the womb among the children of Israel.** Therefore the

Levites shall be Mine, because all the firstborn are Mine. On the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, I **sanctified to Myself all the firstborn in Israel**, both man and beast. They shall be Mine: I am the LORD.”” Numbers 3:11-13 NKJV.

(5) What this means for you!

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- (b) “And you shall give the Levites to Aaron and his sons; **they are given entirely to him from among the children of Israel**. So you shall appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall attend to their priesthood; but the outsider who comes near shall be put to death.”” Numbers 3:9-10 NKJV
- (c) “Therefore, since **we are receiving a kingdom** which cannot be shaken, **let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear**. For our God is a consuming fire.” Hebrews 12:28-29 NKJV

(d) "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a **living sacrifice**, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And **do not be conformed** to this world, but **be transformed** by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, **not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly**, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith." Romans 12:1-3 NKJV

QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

1. Discuss the implication separating Firstborns:

- A. In the Passover
- B. In regards to the census of the children of Israel when they left Egypt.
- C. In regards to the Levites as counted separately and in a different manner from all other tribes.

2. Why did Yahweh call Moses to count all Males in Israel twenty and over, and yet he counted the Levites from one month and older?

- 3. Yahweh says he will take each Levite male one month and older as a substitute for the firstborns of the rest of the tribes, why?**
- 4. Discuss Y'shua as the firstborn of all creation and relate it to:**
 - A. The Levite call to tend to the needs of the priesthood and the needs of the whole nation...
 - B. Y'shua as a priest...
 - C. The Levite swap for the firstborns of Israel...
 - D. Israel as firstborn...
 - E. The Church as the firstborn...
 - F. The Church as Israel...
- 5. What does it mean to serve Yahweh acceptably with reverence and godly fear?**