

Who Are You Dressing to Impress?

Decoding the Torah: Season 3

Core Message: Does it matter to God how His people dress? The Torah teaches that clothing should not draw attention to the flesh but should instead reflect modesty, dignity, and the beauty of God's presence. Rabbi Schneider reveals that, as a royal priesthood, believers are to dress in a manner that honors God, not culture or sensuality. Our outward presentation should align with our inward devotion, pointing others to God's glory rather than to ourselves.

Main Bible Verses (NASB):

Core Memory Verse: (1 Peter 2:9) But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

- **Exodus 20:26** – “And you shall not go up by steps to My altar, so that your nakedness will not be exposed on it.”
- **Exodus 22:16** – “If a man seduces a virgin who is not engaged, and lies with her, he must pay a dowry for her to be his wife.”
- **1 John 3:23** – “This is His commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as He commanded us.”
- **Numbers 6:24-26** – “The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord cause His face to shine on you And be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His face to you, And give you peace.”

Key Points (Fill-in-the-Blank):

- “God literally gave them the _____ for the tabernacle.”
- “He doesn't want our _____ to be distracting.”
- “Dress in a way to magnify God's _____, not draw people to the attention of our own flesh.”
- “You don't have to dress _____ to be attractive.”
- “Sex is a sanctified act... to be preserved for a _____ context.”

4. What in your life requires immediate repentance or redirection in order to walk in greater holiness?

5. What is one specific change to your dress or your sexual conduct you sense God is asking you to make today? Ask Him to help you be obedient.

Application Challenge of the Week:

When getting dressed each morning this week, take a moment to ask God, “Does this bring You glory?” Choose clothing that reflects your identity as a servant of the Lord.

(Or come up with your own as the Lord leads):

Prayer Prompts:

- Ask the Lord to help you see yourself and others through His holy perspective.
 - Thank God for setting you apart as part of His royal priesthood.
 - Pray for discernment in your lifestyle choices, including how you present yourself to the world.
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Resources	Where to find it
Decoding the Torah: Ancient Wisdom for a Modern World by Rabbi K.A. Schneider	https://discoveringthejewishjesus.com/decoding-the-torah/

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(NASB 95’)