

-Save This Page as a PDF-

Make Tunics, Sashes and Headbands for Aaron's Sons

28:40-41 and 39:27-29

Make tunics, shashes and headbands for Aaron's sons DIG: Why were Aaron's son's priestly clothing different from their father's?

REFLECT: What must you have under your belt to serve God? A pure heart? A spiritual gift? A love of righteousness? A love for Him? A willing spirit?



The tunic comes next. Not much is said about this piece of clothing except one important statement: **You are to weave the tunic out of fine line (29:39)**. The fabric, **linen**, would have been white. It was the piece of clothing worn closest to the body. From this information, we conclude that one of the possible pictures it paints for us is one of purity. Representing mankind before **ADONAI, the high priest** wearing **the white tunic** teaches us that no one may approach **Ha'Shem** with impurities . . . sin.

The LORD commanded **Moses**: Make **undergarments as a covering for the body reaching from the waist to the thigh (to see link click [Fx](#) - The Linen Undergarments of Aaron and His Sons)**, **tunics** (or long robes) **and sashes** (or belts) **of finely twisted white linen** were to be made **for Aaron's sons (28:40)**. **Their headbands**, however, were different. The term **turban** from **28:37** is not used here, because the Hebrew word for **headbands** is a completely different

word. It is derived from the root which is usually translated as a "hill." In other words, the common priests' headbands looked literally like a hill on their heads! Hence, we suggest that it was a common skull-cap. These **headbands** of the common priests were not as majestic as the one for the high priest. There was no engraved **plate of pure gold** on **their** foreheads. Even so, **it** and the **tunics and sashes** were greatly valued.



The five inch wide **sash** was beautiful and made **of finely twisted linen and blue, purple and scarlet yarn, the work of an embroiderer.** Their clothing added **dignity and honor** to the priesthood and increased the people's appreciation for them and for **God.**⁶³⁵ **After you put these clothes on your brother Aaron and his sons, anoint and ordain them. Consecrate them so they may serve Me as priest (28:41).** After their **clothes** were put **on them, they** were dedicated to **God** for **His** service. Without these garments **they** could not serve **as priests, they** were an external sign of the priesthood. Then **they** were anointed with some of the oil of dedication and some of the blood from the bronze altar. A combination of oil and blood was sprinkled on **their** clothes **(29:21).** That set them apart for the ministry that **they** would undertake.