

**The Ordination of the Priests:  
The Steps to Ordaining the Ministers of God  
Leviticus 08:01–13**

**1. Step 1:**

***The LORD's call to ordination —  
He calls through His mediator,  
Moses (a symbol of Christ)***

a. The call to the priests  
(ministers) to prepare:  
Aaron and his sons

b. The call to the assembly:  
To gather for the ordination

c. The obedience:  
Everyone obeyed

d. The declaration:  
Ordination is  
God's commandment

**2. Step 2:**

***The washing in water  
(a symbol of spiritual cleansing)***

**3. Step 3:**

***The putting on of special clothing,  
the clothing of the High Priest  
(Exo 28:1-43)***

a. The tunic, sash, robe  
and ephod

- 1 The LORD said to Moses,
- 2 “Bring Aaron and his sons,  
their garments, the anointing oil,  
the bull for the sin offering,  
the two rams and the basket  
containing bread made without yeast,
- 3 and gather the entire assembly  
at the entrance to the tent of meeting.”
- 4 Moses did as the LORD commanded him,  
and the assembly gathered  
at the entrance to the tent of meeting.
- 5 Moses said to the assembly,  
“This is what the LORD has commanded  
to be done.”
- 6 Then Moses brought  
Aaron and his sons forward  
and washed them with water.
- 7 He put the tunic on Aaron,  
tied the sash around him,  
clothed him with the robe  
and put the ephod on him.  
He also fastened the ephod  
with a decorative waistband,  
which he tied around him.

b. The breast-piece  
and the Urim and Thummim

c. The turban for the head  
and the gold plate or sacred  
diadem on the front of it

**4. Step 4:**

***The anointing with oil  
(a symbol of dedication  
or consecration  
and of the Holy Spirit)***

a. Anointed the Tabernacle  
and its furnishing

b. Anointed the altar seven times  
and anointed its utensils, basin,  
and stand: To dedicate them to  
God's service

c. Anointed Aaron's head:  
To consecrate  
or set him apart to God

d. Anointed and clothed  
the other priests (ministers)  
Exo 40:15

8 He placed the breast-piece on him  
and put the Urim and Thummim  
in the breast-piece.

9 Then he placed the turban on Aaron's head  
and set the gold plate,  
the sacred emblem, on the front of it,  
as the LORD commanded Moses.

10 Then Moses took the anointing oil  
and anointed the tabernacle  
and everything in it,  
and so consecrated them.

11 He sprinkled some of the oil  
on the altar seven times,  
anointing the altar and all its utensils  
and the basin with its stand,  
to consecrate them.

12 He poured some of the anointing oil  
on Aaron's head and anointed him  
to consecrate him.

13 Then he brought Aaron's sons forward,  
put tunics on them,  
tied sashes around them  
and fastened caps on them,  
as the LORD commanded Moses.