Daily Reflection

May 10, 2020

A short five days ago on May 5th, Aaron was at his worst. When Moses was a bit late returning from the mountaintop, Aaron immediately capitulated to the people's anxiety and gave them a nice shiny golden calf to worship.

In today's <u>Daily Office readings</u>, Aaron and his sons are the stars of the show. They are elaborately out-fitted to lead the people in worship. One can only hope it wasn't too hot that day, as Aaron gets about four layers of regalia. If you are wondering about the "Urim and the Thummim" that were housed in his breastpiece, those were instruments used to answer questions, much like casting lots.

What lesson can we draw from Aaron's change of fortune? This message emerges: God is quite capable of using flawed people for important work. Thank heavens! How do we keep our flaws out of the way? With help!!

Today's second lesson gives us some good advice for getting help:

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith " Hebrews 12:1-2a

You have a chance to take this advice in <u>today's worship service</u>. Sing with gusto when we get to, "Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be," the final verse of *Love divine, all loves excelling*.

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