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## ***RESTORING THE PRIESTLY ROLE OF INTERCESSION – Conclusion***

As we've concluded the section on "Restoring the Priestly Role of Intercession," let us ponder on a few points that relate to our calling as a forerunner.

Isaiah 57:14-15 TPT

[14] Yahweh says, "Let the people return to me. Build! Build up the road, clear the way, and get it ready! Remove every obstacle from their path." [15] For this is what the high and majestic one says, the one who fills the eternal realm with glory, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in high and holy places but also with the bruised and lowly in spirit, those who are humble and quick to repent. I dwell with them to revive the spirit of the humble, to revive the heart of those who are broken over their sin.

As a forerunner, we are to prepare the way for the Lord and bring people back to Him. Build up, build up the road describes a highway for God's people, meaning a raised road that is above all obstacles. So that God's people can return to Him without obstacle. We are to prepare the way, take the stumbling block out of the way, whatever gets in the way of our getting right with God must be taken out of the way.

As priests, we come before the Lord to intercede for the people, reminding Him of His Word that pushes out of the way all the obstacles of sins and bring His people back to Him. God wants us to pray and intercede with great power and effectiveness, not foolishly striking blindly at the air like a poorly trained boxer.

1 Corinthians 9:26 TPT

[26] For that reason, I don't run just for exercise or box like one throwing aimless punches

In the OT, only priests could enter into the "tent of God's presence" but only after they had made themselves ceremonially clean.

Psalms 24:3-4 NKJV

[3] Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who may stand in His holy place? [4] He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, Nor sworn deceitfully.

As forerunners and priests, we not only can enter into God's presence but we are carriers of God's presence. And it is only those with clean hands and pure hearts that can be in God's presence. Our priestly role of intercession requires holiness and purity of hearts.

Let us mull on these as we go deep into our individual and corporate intercessions. Maranatha!