

Carrying out the ashes Lev 6:8-12

-A command of Moses to Aaron and his sons as vs 9

-Mom/dad fireplace. Wood heater. I like wood heat, but despise ashes.

Everlasting fire v13

Soul is everlasting- breathed living soul (which means life is everlasting)

ation everlasting. Eternity, needless to say, everlasting--Heaven, hell

What are the ashes?

They are yesterday's fire. Each morning priest carried them out verse 11 in preparation for new fire.

**Yesterday's ashes will not warm you today.* I stand by fire and dread cold outside hunting and wish I could bottle up some heat and take it with me. That blessing you got is gone. That breath of God that thrilled you- that was yesterday's fire. The stirring in your soul when you partook of the Gospel- that was yesterday! I need *new* fire today. Each morning the fire on the altar was rekindled for that day's upcoming sacrifices and 1st step was to remove yesterday's ashes or else the fire NO BURN.

**Yesterday's ashes will not serve God today.* Not teach a SS class. Yesterday's ashes can't win a soul, sing a song, make a joyful noise to the Lamb. They are water under the bridge.

*When we brag about the past and what we have done or what we used to do, we are speaking vainly and uselessly about ashes, gray dust used to fill potholes. "I used to be a deacon." "I used to lead singing."

Devil is not afraid of what you used to be.

God is not impressed with what you used to be.

Yesterday's offering won't suffice for today.

Yesterday's prayer won't take place of prayer today.

Yesterday's ashes Hinders today's fire

First job at rising- get rid of ashes. Mom shovel/bucket.

Phil 3:13 "*Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before*"

It is amazing that God is willing to reconcile our past, but we hang on to the ashes. The *Mistakes*: are under the blood. We can't forget. The *Good*: God wrote it down. You can move on and build today's fire.

Are yesterday's ashes smothering today's fire in your life? You will never be successful serving God today while smothered by the ashes of yesterday's fire. If you can't get over yesterday, there will be no fire today. Get rid of yesterday's ashes!!

*Churches are cold because in the pew fires are smothered out by yesterday's ashes. What if every person "got over it" and kindles a new fire

(over)

each morning! This hill would light the community. The heat amazing. Sinners would melt. Sin would melt. Athens would notice.

Priest's job to rid the ashes vs II

You are the priest- not the pastor, ss teacher, elder, mama

I cannot rid you of your past- I have a past to deal with. I have ashes to

keep emptied. I can't carry out the ashes. Was not Aaron's job- but the job

the priest.

You are responsible for dealing with your ashes. Are you saved? You are a

priest.

The priest:

1) in Godly garment of linen took ashes from altar. I see as "Lord thank you

for the blessings of yesterday and all the good grace that fell my way and the

privilege of serving you."

Now...

2) in old clothes carries away "without the camp" for they were no more a
part of the service. As the ashes went out, in came priests with new wood.