Podcast Script

Radio show (Under His Wings radio 101.9 UHW) Interviewing high priest

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Intro: (Music plays)

Host: Hello and welcome back to 101.9 Under His Wings FM! Thank you for joining us, today, and don't forget to tune in tomorrow at this same time. Today we have a very special guest, he comes all the way from various deserts in the Middle East where the tribe of Israel currently reside. His flight was delayed and just got here a little over an hour ago. So, you must be exhausted. Welcome to the show! How are you doing?

Priest: (chuckle) Ohh well I'm doing just fine. Thank you for having me here.

Host: The pleasure is all ours. Some of our listeners have been asking for us to bring you in for a long time. Under His Wings focuses on the sanctuary, what it means, and spreads the knowledge to anyone who will listen. We do take tax deductible donations however, and are a non-profit organization. How was the flight?

Priest: It went well. I met a very talkative man who talked through nearly his whole life story, only to be stopped by our landing.

Host: I totally know what you mean. That happened to me on my last flight to New York. So tell us about your occupation as a High Priest. What is it like? What do you do on a day to day basis?

Priest: Well it is a very important job, as you are well aware. I lead the most important meetings for my people. I do have quite a few helpers to keep things running smooth, and I have a son back home too. So basically I follow God's instructions and maintain the sanctuary up to his specific instructions. I also perform sacrifices for the people. It is a painful thing to do, definitely not the most fun, but it is necessary to show how sorry we are for our sins.

Host: Hmm, sounds like a lot of responsibility.

Priest: Yeah, it is, but I have been trained my whole life, and I just leave the rest in the hands of Him who made me.

Host: Wow, well, what are the different components of the sanctuary? As if you were to walk from the entrance to the most holy place. I've heard things about it, but would like to know from the view of someone who has actually experienced walking through it.

Priest: When you first see the temple from afar, you see the finely woven linen walls surrounding the courtyard. They are quite tall really, measured at 5 cubits, or as you measure it, 8 feet. Next, you walk in and see the Altar of Burnt Offering. You can see young and old who come to our merciful God to be forgiven. A priest does the sacrifice by first killing the animal, usually a lamb.

Host: The sanctuary is 30 cubits by 10 cubits, or how we measure it, 51 and a half feet by 17 feet. Is it large enough to hold everything you have in it, and enough room to work with? Or is it a little tight trying to weave in and out during

Priest: It is really a perfect kind of space. When God told us how to build it, he knew what he was doing.

Host: What exactly is inside the sanctuary? Continue your walk through.

Priest: Through the entrance immediately on the right is the table of showbread, also referred to as the table of the presence, and on the left is the lampstand. The table of showbread is made of wood and overlain with pure gold. It gleams as you walk through the entrance. It holds 12 cakes of bread and we place them there every sabbath. On the left of the table of shewbread is the lampstand. It is lit up making light resonate around the room, and it looks more beautiful as your eyes adjust to the change of scenery. The lamp stand has 7 candles with a blossom motif and of course, it is shiny golden just like the table of shewbread The last article in the Holy Place is the Altar of Incense. The smell is actually a little intense when you first walk in. It is a closed tent at all times, and so the scent is a little bit overwhelming at first. But it is not that bad really, it is actually pleasant, and gets better after a minute or so. It is made golden, as are the other fixings.

Host: All of that gold would be worth a lot. I'm wondering where you could have gotten the money for all of the gold, do you have tithes like the churches around the world? Priest: Well the gold primarily came out of Egypt with us. All the Israelites who had gold earrings, bracelets, rings, etc. decided to give their jewelry to God. The donations were enough for us to cover the articles with gold.

Host: I did not think that you would have much gold as slaves.

Priest: Some were given rewards for their good work. Our nation is a proud nation, and we get the job done.

Host: I see. Sounds like a society to be proud of. Tell us what is next.

Priest: The last section of the sanctuary is the Most Holy Place. This is where the Ark of the covenant is, and where the God's glory resides, where he stays when he is with us. The Ark is virtually God's throne. Inside the Ark lies the ten commandment. This is a list of laws that we follow. It tells us how we should live our lives for God. The Ark is gold just as the other pieces, however it is covered in gold both inside and out. The ark has poles on either end to carry it from place to place. The poles are bigger on the ends than they are in the middle, that way the poles can not be removed from the covenant. For anyone who doesn't know what the covenant is, it is a box, which was very carefully designed and made to hold important pieces to our nation. Because of its golden qualities, other nations would love to have it. But we do not value the gold, we value the fact that God commanded us to craft it and we want to do what pleases God. Walking out of the sanctuary through the Holy Place, it is just as amazing as walking inside. The walls are lit up by the candlesticks and the woven gold reflects around making it very pretty.

Host: Well, we are out of time for today. But thank you for coming onto the show: 101.9 Under His Wings FM! I hope the rest of your trip here in the states goes well and that we meet again one day.

Priest: Thank you, I'm sure surfing will be a fun sport to try

Host: Don't forget to tune in next week where we will discover the true meaning of sacrifice, the love of God, and details on how to build your very own model sanctuary.

Host and Priest: Goodbye!!