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Exodus 28:29

“And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment upon his heart.” Exodus 28:29

The heart...is the place of our affections as well as the source of our words and life. (Proverbs 4:23; Matthew 12:34). Offenses come all too easily. Relationships can be fragile. The disappointments of life can leave you bitter and heartbroken. Unfortunately it is often the people closest to us that leave the deepest wounds in our lives.

Aaron, as the high priest of Israel, was to bear the names of the tribes of Israel upon his heart. Now this wasn't just the name of the tribes upon his “t-shirt”, but it was their names on the breastplate of judgment. Shouldn't we, be thankful that our High Priest, Jesus Christ carries our names upon His heart? Per chance, if our names were written upon His mind, all that we would be certain of is a judgment of which we would be found guilty. But no, our High Priest, as Aaron of so long ago did, bears our name upon His heart. What a picture! What a Saviour! For surely mercy and truth are meet together in Jesus! (Psalm 85:10). The mind seeing and understanding the truth of our sinfulness, all the while the heart beating with our names and a cry for mercy!

Father, today I rejoice in Your love and mercy for me. Bearing me upon your heart I have found security, acceptance and love. Thank You!

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