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"And Aaron stood between the dead and the living." Numbers 16:48

Is not this the true ministry of intercession – to stand before the Living God on behalf of spiritually dead men? Is not this ministry of intercession to willingly enter into the sufferings of Christ and the fellowship of His death that His life and resurrection might be seen by those blinded by sin?

There have been choice individuals who have taken their place as intercessors and were used mightily of God – Abraham, Moses, the Apostle Paul and many other's down through time. John Knox's cry is still remembered, "Give me Scotland or I die."

Ultimately there was no man who could "stand in the gap" to bridge the gulf between man and God for it is too vast for a mere mortal to span and yet it is exactly that – a man that must do it! "And He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor; therefore, His arm brought salvation unto Him, and His righteousness sustained Him." (Isaiah 59:16). Only Jesus Christ, Emmanuel – God with us – could span the gap that was left by man's sinfulness, thus reuniting us to our Father!

Today, Jesus continues in His high priestly ministry of intercession. (Hebrews 7:24-25). He extends to those few who would dare "stand between the dead and the living" His scepter of authority to the end that men might experience the outflow of God's own resurrection life!

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