

# Moses, Aaron, and Bezalel: Understanding the Stages of Spiritual Renewal

# How God Uses Different Roles in the Journey Toward Transformation

"Then Moses entered the cloud as he went on up the mountain. And he stayed on the mountain forty days and forty nights." Exodus 24:18

"See, I have chosen Bezalel... and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge, and with all kinds of skills." Exodus 31:2-3

In every spiritual journey, people experience different stages of growth —from preparing the way; to actively engaging in faith; to stepping into deep surrender and divine presence. The story of Moses, Aaron, and Bezalel provides a biblical model for understanding these stages, helping believers recognize where they are in their spiritual journey and what it means to move into deeper transformation in God.

Many Christians today desire a more intimate relationship with God, but they struggle to move beyond religious activity into true transformation. Some are builders, crafting the external structures of faith (like Bezalel). Others are active in ministry, faithfully leading and serving (like Aaron). But the highest calling is to step beyond external works into divine union—to enter the Cloud like Moses.

# Three Biblical Roles in the Spiritual Journey

Figure	Role	Spiritual Parallel
Moses	The Contemplative – Entered the Cloud	Full surrender and divine union
Aaron	The Active Minister – Stood before the Ark	Engaged in religious service but remained outside the Cloud
Bezalel	The Craftsman – Built the Ark	Prepared the way but did not enter the Cloud

Each of these figures represents a different stage of spiritual maturity, showing us how God moves people from **preparation** to **participation** to **deep presence**.

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#### I. Moses – The One Who Enters the Cloud

The Call to Full Surrender and Divine Union

- Moses was the only one who entered the cloud of God's presence on Mount Sinai (Exodus 24:18).
- He didn't just minister before God like Aaron or prepare the way like Bezalel—he stepped into the unknown, surrendering himself fully to God.
- The Cloud represents the mystery of divine presence, where the soul moves beyond knowledge, words, and religious practice into pure love and surrender.

### Spiritual Parallel: Contemplative Transformation

- Moses represents those who move beyond external practices and into deep intimacy with God.
- This is the call of contemplative prayer—a life of trusting in God's presence beyond thoughts, emotions, or expectations.
- The greatest invitation in the spiritual journey is to move beyond external faith into the Cloud of Unknowing, where the only thing that remains is love.

**Reflection Question:** Am I willing to surrender my need for control and step into the unknown depths of God's presence?

#### II. Aaron – The One Who Stands Before the Ark

The Call to Active Ministry and Religious Leadership

- Aaron, as the high priest, stood before the Ark of the Covenant but never entered the Cloud like Moses.
- His role was to offer sacrifices, lead worship, and intercede for the people, but he remained in the realm of structured religious activity.

Aaron was faithful; however, his faith was expressed through rituals and duties, not a direct encounter with God.

# Spiritual Parallel: The Active Christian Life

- Aaron represents believers who are engaged in ministry, service, and faithful religious practice.
- Many Christians are active in church, leadership, and worship, but they have not yet entered the Cloud—they have not fully surrendered to deep contemplative intimacy with God.

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This stage is important but incomplete—it is possible to be diligent in religious duties while never entering divine union.

**Reflection Question:** Am I living a faithful Christian life but remaining outside the deeper presence of God?

# III. Bezalel – The One Who Prepares the Way

### The Call to Build and Create a Sacred Space

- Bezalel was filled with the Spirit of God and chosen to craft the Ark of the Covenant and the Tabernacle (Exodus 31:1-5).
- His work was anointed, necessary, and foundational—he prepared the physical space where God would dwell among His people.
- However, he never ministered before the Ark like Aaron and never entered the Cloud like Moses—his role was to build the framework for others to encounter God.

### Spiritual Parallel: The Preparatory Role of Faith

- Bezalel represents those who prepare the way for spiritual encounters.
- Many believers spend years building external structures of faith—learning theology, developing disciplines, or crafting spiritual tools—but never step into the experience of divine presence.

His role is similar to that of spiritual mentors, writers, coaches, and leaders who create the conditions for transformation but must still take the step of entering the Cloud themselves.

**Reflection Question:** Have I been focused on building a faith structure without stepping into the presence of God myself?

# IV. Where Are You in Your Spiritual Journey?

These three roles represent progressive stages of spiritual renewal:

- 1. Bezalel's Stage (Preparation) Building the foundation for spiritual growth.
- 2. Aaron's Stage (Active Faith) Engaging in religious life but not yet entering full surrender.
- 3. Moses' Stage (Full Presence) Letting go of everything and stepping into divine union.

Many Christians remain in the Bezalel or Aaron stage—they are preparing the way or actively ministering, but they have not yet entered God's deeper presence.

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The invitation of faith is to move beyond knowledge and religious activity into divine encounters—to become like Moses, stepping into the Cloud of Unknowing, where the only thing that remains is love. "The highest journey of faith is not about knowing more—it is about surrendering more."

# V. Preparing for the Next Step: PQ Coaches as Agents of Spiritual Renewal

If you are a Christian PQ Coach, you have already stepped into a role of renewal—not just for yourself, but for others. Whether you realize it or not, you are functioning in a Bezalel-like role:

- You are creating the conditions for transformation.
- You are helping others break free from mental captivity.
- You are preparing hearts and minds to experience God's deeper work.

#### This is not just mental fitness—this is spiritual renewal.

Recognizing Your Role in the Larger Story

Like Bezalel, you are helping to construct a sacred space—not physically, but mentally and spiritually. You are:

- Helping people clear away the clutter so they can hear God's voice more clearly.
- Guiding people out of false identity (Saboteurs) and into their True Self in Christ.
- Facilitating transformation that moves beyond coaching into real spiritual renewal.

**Closing Thought:** As a PQ Coach, you are already part of something greater. The next step is understanding how your work connects to God's larger story of transformation.

**Next Article:** PQ as a Biblical Framework for Spiritual Renewal

This biblical pattern mirrors what we see today—many believers are stuck in external faith structures, struggling to move into deeper transformation.

In the next article, we will explore how PQ aligns with biblical principles of transformation and how God is using it as a bridge to something greater.