

Part 1. WHO IS **"THE MAN"** CLOTHED IN LINEN?



Jesus is known as **The Man** in prophecy as follows:

Behold **the man** whose name is the **BRANCH**; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the Lord: Even he shall build the temple of the Lord; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a **priest** upon his throne:.... Zech. 6:12,13.

In contrast, the antichrist is known as **the man of sin** (See 2 Thessalonians 2:3). In the quotation of Zechariah 6:12,13, **the man**, Jesus Christ, "shall be a **priest** upon his throne." In the book of Hebrews 1:14-18 the point is made that it is the **humanity** of Jesus "made like unto his brethren" that qualified Him to be our priest in heaven. The fact that he is **the man, clothed in linen** also points to His work as our **high priest**:

And the priest shall put on his linen garment. Lev. 6:10.

After completing the morning service the high priest laid aside his "golden robes" and put on the clothes of an ordinary priest, to signal the surrender of his honored position and his assumption of the role of a servant. His act depicted the "self-emptying of our intercessor, who laid "aside his royal robe and kingly crown, [and] clothed his divinity with humanity," (EGW RH, June 15, 1905) and "taking the form of a servant...offered sacrifice, Himself the priest, Himself the victim (DA 25). Israel's high priest wore his "golden garments" for all the "daily" services which he performed during the Day, and changed into the uniform of an ordinary priest only for the unique rites of the Day of Atonement. Leslie Hardinge, *Christ Is All* (Boise, Idaho: Pacific Press Publishing Association, 1988), pp. 37,38.

The priests of Israel, who were types of Christ, were clothed in linen. In Daniel 12:7 Christ is brought to view as our high priest making atonement for His people.* Daniel also saw him **standing upon the waters**. There is One in Scripture who was able to stand and walk upon the waters—Jesus!

And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.
Matt. 14:25.

What does Jesus, our high priest, do in Daniel 12:7?

* It should be understood, that Christ began his work as our high priest wearing the "linen garment" in 1844. (The high priest in Israel wore the linen garment on the Day of Atonement **only**). Therefore, this description of Christ places these events of Daniel 12 **after** 1844—as endtime prophecy.