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SPREAD A LITTLE HAPPINESS: Thoughts on Hospitality

Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honour one another above yourselves. . . . Share with God's people who are in need. Practise hospitality (Romans 12: 10, 14)

Spread a little happiness! This worthy exhortation was first highlighted in the song by Vivian Ellis, when it was featured in his 1929 musical, 'Mr. Cinders'. It reached number 16 on the pop charts after British musician, Sting (Gordon Sumner), recorded it for the soundtrack of the 1982 film, 'Brimstone and Treacle', and it has remained popular ever since.

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SHADOW AND SUBSTANCE: Consecration of the Priests

Second in an occasional series

The Anointing

At the establishment of the Tabernacle the High Priest chosen was Aaron, the brother of Moses. His sons were appointed as under-priests. But before they were allowed to serve they had to be anointed. It is this anointing which comprises the focus of this short study. We will comment on the symbols associated with the service. The text is that of the *New International Version* (UK edition).

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In the Rear-View Mirror

'It is clearly impossible to draw up a balance-sheet of the goods and ills of industrialism. There would be no agreement as to whether its ills, or goods, are increasing or decreasing. Some enthusiasts – chiefly to be found in the United States – would identify industrialization and civilization. But most people would allow that its results are both good and bad. In most parts of the world industrialism has meant an advance in material civilization, a rise in the standards of living, an improved status, and greater political power for the humbler classes; it has bettered health, lengthened life, lessened laborious toil, and brought with it greater leisure.' (*England in Transition*, Dorothy George, 1931 (Penguin Books: 1964), p. 164)

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