

Aaron's Rod that Budded!

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One of the three contents in the Ark of the Covenant was "*Aaron's Rod that budded*" Hebrews 9:4. God poured out His judgement following the dissention of a rebellious, anarchistic crowd that rose up against the leadership. Thus God visually confirmed that Aaron was Israel's High Priest.

"Take of every one of them a rod ... according to the house of their fathers twelve rods: write thou every man's name upon his rod. And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one rod shall be for the head of the house of their fathers. And thou shalt lay them up in the tabernacle of the congregation before the testimony, where I will meet with you.

*"And it shall come to pass, that **the man's rod, whom I shall choose, shall blossom ... behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds**"* Numbers 17:2-8. And the **three stages of development** were in themselves a miracle—**buds, blossoms and almonds**—all on one rod! Accordingly, Aaron was shown to be the High Priest.

Likewise, our risen, glorified Lord Jesus Christ conquered death, defied the grave, and ascended to Heaven in His resurrection body. *"Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into Heaven? **This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into Heaven, shall so come in like manner**"* Acts 1:11. **Yes, there is a Man in the glory land and He is our Great High Priest!**