

How Does One Prepare to Pray? Parsha Ki-Tisa

Maimonides: Positive Commandment #24

And Aaron and his sons will use it to wash their hands and feet when they enter the Tent of the Assembly"—Exodus 30:19.

The Kohanim (priests) are commanded to wash their hands and feet before entering the Holy Temple's sanctuary and before commencing any of their Temple duties.

Exodus 30:19, 21

וְרָחֲצוּ אֶתְיָדָיו וְאֶת רַגְלָיו מִמֶּנּוּ אֶת יְדֵיהֶם וְאֶת רַגְלֵיהֶם

וְרָחֲצוּ יְדֵיהֶם וְרַגְלֵיהֶם וְלֹא יָמָתוּ

Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and feet from it.

They shall wash their hands and feet so that they will not die...