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The Significance of the Hem

A study of a little known Old Testament truth will open your eyes and understanding to many parts of Scripture you never understood before!

What was the historical / cultural significance of the hem?

- ❖ Family Significance
 - Tribe or clan
 - Birth order
 - Genealogy
 - Marriage
 - Rank Significance

- ❖ Seal (Signature)

What was the Biblical significance of the hem?

- ❖ A "fringe" (or tassel) made of blue cord into the border of the garments to remind the wearer to **OBEY**. (**Numbers 15:37-41**)

- ❖ Put the "fringe" (or tassel) on the front, back and two sides. (The point is that it is seen on all four sides) (**Deuteronomy 22:12**)

- ❖ The priest's hems had special instructions to include pomegranates (fruit) made out of blue, purple, and scarlet yarn and golden bells (testimony). Consider our High Priest today seated at the right hand of the Father. (**Exodus 28:31-35**)

Bible Cases that Involve the Hem

- ❖ David and Saul *1 Samuel 24:1-22*
- ❖ God and Israel *Ezekiel 16:8*
- ❖ Jesus healing the multitudes *Matthew 14:34-36*
- ❖ Jesus healing the Gentile Woman and the 12 year old girl *Matthew 9:18-26; Mark 5:40-43*
- ❖ Joseph's coat of "many colors" and Jesus' coat that was gambled for by the soldiers;
Temple veil *Genesis 37:1-4; John 19:23-24; Mark 15:37-39*
- ❖ Ruth and Boaz *Ruth 3:9*

So What?

- Jesus covers us with His "skirt"!
 - Past: Our past sins are under the blood!! (present and future, too!)
 - Present: Through His Holy Spirit we are given sufficiency for today!!
 - Future: As His bride, we are going to share Everything!!

- What are we "sewing" on the fringes of our robes for eternity??

Other Related Scripture for further study: Exodus 39:24-26; Mark 6:56; Luke 8:44; Zechariah 8:23; Haggai 2:12; 1 Samuel 15:27; Deuteronomy 22:30; Deuteronomy 27:20