One Point from

*לקוטי שיחות חלק כו, **שיחה ג לפרשת פקודי***

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Use these words to fill in the blanks:

**** משה * all * one * tunics ****

IN THE PARSHAH:

The first day on which אהרן and his sons served as כֹּהֲנִים doing their עבודה in the מִשְׁכָּן was ראש חודש ניסן.

Hashem told משה to bring them to the משכן, dress אהרן in his בִּגְדֵי כְּהוּנָּה, and dress אהרן's sons in their כֻּתָּנוֹת, _____.

QUESTION:

Before ראש חודש ניסן, there were שִׁבְעַת יְמֵי הַמִּילוּאִים, seven days of initiation.

On each of those seven days, _____ dressed אהרן's sons in *all* of their בגדי כהונה.

Why, on the eight day, did he only dress them in their כֻּתָּנוֹת?

ANSWER:

During the first seven days, אהרן and his sons were being *trained* by משה to *become* כהנים.

Since Hashem told משה to train them in *everything* they had to do as כהנים, he also dressed them in _____ their בגדי כהונה.

On ראש חודש ניסן, however, אהרן and his sons were *already* כהנים, starting to do actual עבודה in the משכן. So now they would dress *themselves* in their בגדים.

On this day, משה only had to do something to start them off in the עבודה that they would now be doing on their own. For this it was enough that he dressed them in _____ בגד, the כתונת (which is the main בגד of a regular כהן).

Further discussion:

*Why did משה dress אהרן in **all** of his בגדים even on the **eighth** day? (See אות ח in the שיחה)*