

The Anointing

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Isaiah 10:27: *And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.*

A lot of God's people are seeking more of an anointing than more of God. Why? Because the anointing breaks every yoke. People want free, so they seek that which might set them free. The problem is that most of the church says, "This book is anointed, that man is anointed, or that service was anointed" but really have no understanding of what the anointing of God really is.

The anointing is more than a feeling. The feeling of the presence of God might come when you step into the anointing. But the anointing is not waiting upon and dependent on your feelings. There is a difference between the anointing and the glory of God. The word **anoint** is defined as *the pouring out of oil for consecration or healing*. The Hebrew verb **mashach** (noun, *messiah*) and the Greek verb **chrío** (noun, *christos*) are translated "**to anoint**". The Priests were anointed as a symbol of God's delegated power and authority.

Leviticus 8:12: *And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him.* **Leviticus 8:30:** *And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was upon the altar, and sprinkled it upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.*

Before Jesus was baptized He performed no miracles and did not preach the gospel. Until such time as His baptism, He was known as Jesus of Nazareth or the Son of the Carpenter. But after His baptism and affirmation of the Father, His ministry, or service to the Father, truly began. He was henceforth known as Jesus the Christ or Jesus the Anointed One. While on earth Christ walked in the anointing. He had left His glory in heaven to walk in a temporal portion of delegated authority, to become a servant among us for the will of the Father.

Luke 24:44-49 *And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures. And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things. And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.*

Many believe that the Holy Spirit comes down every time someone gets saved or filled with the baptism of the Holy Spirit. This is not the case. The Holy Spirit only came once as did Christ. He does not come back and forth. He is here now and is always present. The problem is our mentality of the person of the Holy Spirit. Too many in the church are looking for someone who is anointed or walks in the anointing when God's intent is for they themselves to walk as the anointed of God as did Christ.

Luke 4:17-19 *And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, **The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at***

liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

Christ did not receive this anointing to start His ministry and build a name for Himself. He received it to give it away. He in turn told His disciples -- you will receive this same anointing and even greater than this shall you receive. Jesus said in **John 14:12-16** , *Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it. If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Verse 26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*

So He tells them again in **Mark 16:15** *And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.*

What did the disciples do after Christ's death and after having seen and walked in a portion of this anointing? They went and hid like cowards. Oh sure, they probably prayed while they gathered together. But they did not gather with the intent to pray. They gathered and prayed because of fear and intimidation. So, Christ (the anointed) came to them again.

John 20:20-22 *And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:*

The glory of God, the Third Person of the Trinity, the Father Himself had found a way to dwell with man from the inside out instead of in a box. He found a way for His glory to fill the earth -- by anointing those who call upon His name and love Him with all their heart, soul, mind, and strength. He made a way to make you and I into sons, daughters and priests, that He might inhabit our presence and we His. That we might speak to Him and He speak to us. That we might demonstrate His awesomeness in all the earth and His name be glorified.

1Jo:2:27: *But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.*

There are many who are powerful orators and have lots of charisma. The anointing is not measured by how big your ministry is. But the anointing is that which desires and seeks passionately to break the yoke. It is that desire as Christ to see the brokenhearted and wounded restored, to see the sick healed, to see those captive to sin delivered and set free. It is the desire to know and do the will of Father and bring honor and glory to His name throughout all the earth. This is the anointing.

Acts 10:34-39 *Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted*

with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:) That word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judaea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached; How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:

We need to be a people who seek not the anointed among men but seek to be the anointed in the Spirit of Christ, the power of the Holy Ghost and the Glory of God, among the children of men.

2 Corinthians 1:20-22 *For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us. Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.*

I John 2:27-29 *But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him. And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming. If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.*

There is a difference between being anointed and walking in the anointing. King Saul had been anointed to be King by the Prophet Samuel as directed by God. When David has the opportunity to kill him and become King he did not, because he knew that the Word of God said, "Touch not My anointed." So, he knew not to touch one who had been anointed. Now the Spirit of God, the favor of God, the anointing of God had left Saul, but Saul remained the anointed of God even though he no longer walked in the anointing.

Acts 1:4-8 *And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

Quit making excuses. Whatever your excuse, get rid of its reason for being so that you have no more excuse. Quit looking for the anointing in others, quit waiting for someone else's mantle to fall on you. Quit waiting for something spooky to happen, quit waiting on a feeling, quit waiting until you think you have arrived to some measure of expectation. The power of God, the Holy Ghost, the anointing of God is upon you NOW, it is in you NOW. Walk in obedience to His Word NOW, walk in the love of Father NOW, walk in the endowment of His glory. The Kingdom of God is here NOW, the Holy Spirit is here NOW, the anointing of God is here NOW. The question is where are you? Do you believe that this Word speaking of you? If so, then quit looking for the anointing and BE the anointed. If Christ was the anointed one, then we Christians are called to be anointed to do as He hath commanded.