ANOINTED

Exodus 30:31-33 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, This shall be an holy anointing oil unto me throughout your generations. Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make any other like it, after the composition of it: it is holy, and it shall be holy unto you. Whosoever compoundeth any like it, or whosoever putteth any of it upon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people.

- The Holy Anointing Oil is symbolic throughout Scripture of Holy Ghost quickening power resting upon the person or object that is anointed, so they might function in a particular sphere of ministry.
- GOD'S COMMANDMENTS CONCERNING THE ANOINTING OIL:
- 1. It was not to be poured upon man's flesh. Emotion is not anointing!

Romans 8:5-9 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

2. It was not to be poured upon strangers. Real anointing comes only by regeneration!

Ephesians 2:18-22 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

3. It was not to be imitated by man. If there is a true anointing, there is a false anointing!

<u>Matthew 24:23-24</u> Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. (CHRIST = ANOINTED ONE)

4. It was to continue through all generations. We can't live on a past generation's anointing!

<u>Judges 2:10-12</u> And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the LORD, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel. And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim: And they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them out of the land of Egypt, and followed other gods, of the gods of the people that were round about them, and bowed themselves unto them, and provoked the LORD to anger.

LOOK AT THE NEW TESTAMENT:

- 1 John 2:20 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.
- The word "unction" actually means, "ointment that is rubbed in."
 New Testament anointing was much different than Old Testament
 anointing. In the Old Testament, the anointing was poured out; in the
 New Testament, the anointing was rubbed in. Your effectiveness will
 never be determined by what is poured out in a single moment. It will
 be determined by how long you linger and soak in God's glory.
- The anointing is always given for a specific purpose not just to make us feel good. There are three anointings available to us:

THE LEPER'S ANOINTING (SELF)

- <u>Leviticus 14:29</u> And the rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make an atonement for him before the LORD.
- The anointing was reserved only to anoint a priest or a king, except for the cleansing of a leper!
- Atonement carries its own anointing! The new birth experience is an anointing that every believer possesses!

THE PRIEST'S ANOINTING (GOD)

- Exodus 40:13 And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, and anoint him, and sanctify him; that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.
- The priestly anointing was the anointing of relationship, given so a man could minister to the Lord.
- We must internalize our desire to serve the Lord, and not depend on external stimuli to motivate us!

• THE KING'S ANOINTING (OTHERS)

- 1 Samuel 10:1 Then Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured it
 upon his head, and kissed him, and said, Is it not because the
 LORD hath anointed thee to be captain over his inheritance?
- Samuel is asking Saul, "What is your anointing really for? What are you going to do with it?" He leaves Saul to answer the question for himself!
- This anointing is for others!
- ANOINTING, LIKE MANY PRINCIPLES IN SCRIPTURE, IS A PROGRESSIVE EXPERIENCE. ONE GOOD EXAMPLE IS THE LIFE OF DAVID, WHO HAD THREE SEPARATE ANOINTINGS:

- 1. David was anointed in the midst of his brethren, when only God could see his potential.
 - <u>1 Samuel 16:7</u> But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.
 - God opens the anointing to any man "after his own heart (will)" - 1 Samuel 13:14
- 2. David was anointed King over Judah, after years of unjust suffering as a fugitive.
 - <u>2 Samuel 2:4</u> And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, That the men of Jabeshgilead were they that buried Saul.
 - David learned (by Saul's persecution) what NOT to do before he learned what to do!
- 3. David was anointed King over all Israel, after years of consistently growing strong in war.
 - <u>2 Samuel 3:1</u> Now there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: but David waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker.
 - <u>2 Samuel 5:3</u> So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel.
 - Many things in the Spirit come only through consistency, and NOT GIVING UP!
- The only instance in Scripture when Jesus danced was when His disciples began to use their authority to take their cities back for God!

Luke 10:17-21

17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. 18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. 19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. 20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven. 21 In that hour Jesus rejoiced (TO LEAP OR JUMP FOR JOY) in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.