

FRESH OIL

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“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron’s beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there he Lord commanded the blessing, even life forevermore.”

Psalm 133:1-3

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The anointing of God finds its roots in the old covenant. God anointed kings, priests, and prophets. The anointing set them apart and gave them divine enablement to carry out their assignment. Costly sweet and bitter spices were blended together, which represents the sweet and bitter experiences we must go through to carry the authentic Holy Ghost anointing. Before this anointing oil was poured out on the king, priest, or prophet it was created by the apothecary who would be similar to a chemist in our day. Jesus Christ is the

apothecary and knows exactly what anointing we need to fulfill our Kingdom assignment. The anointing was God’s enabling power to do what was humanly impossible. The anointing on David’s life enabled him to overcome the lion, bear, and Goliath. So we also are anointed to overcome the enemy, the world, the flesh and any other challenge that we may face in this life. True anointing of the Holy Spirit will saturate and permeate every believer.

“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.”
Acts 10:38

This scripture tells us how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth not Jesus of Heaven. Jesus was anointed as a man yet without sin. How encouraging this is that we can walk in the same anointing Jesus walked in. Back in our text in Psalm 133:1, we see a divine order for walking in the corporate anointing the Lord has for His body. We are told it is good to dwell together in unity. Unity is not sameness but covenantal order; it is a place of unison and divine agreement

with the Word of God and His Spirit. The opposite of unity is disunity, which is devilish and destructive. Disunity divides the body and stops Heaven's anointing from flowing upon the body. Therefore, we must learn to keep the unity of faith so we can experience greater anointings in our midst. It is important to know that our corporate anointing is greater than any individual anointing. Within this divine order we see everything that is good in God flows into the Body of Christ. Every good and perfect gift comes down from the Father of lights. It is important that we understand the anointing is directional, it flows from the head to the body. Therefore; our alignment and placement in the body really determines the anointing upon our lives and ministries. Unity is a state of being not based upon our beliefs or feelings but relationships.

Relationships are the meaning of life and they help us to overcome all the differences we may have. This anointing in Psalm 133 is not kingly or prophetic, but priestly. It came upon Aaron's head who was the high priest under Moses' administration. That tells me that if we desire this corporate anointing in our lives we must function as priests, worshippers of God. We are all created to worship the Lord whereby He will receive glory and honor through our lives.

"Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."
Revelation 4:11

I have been called to preach but I am also created to worship. My creative purpose must have preeminence over my calling to preach. The reason for this is if we don't minister to the Lord first we will have nothing to minister to mankind. There must be "up" reach before there is outreach.

"And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office." Exodus 30:30

We see how God anointed Aaron and his sons to minister to Him. As we spend time worshipping and praising the Lord we are fulfilling our creative purpose and releasing fresh oil upon our lives and ministries. As we worship we are anointing our head King Jesus, and what is on the head will run down upon the body. As in Psalm 133, the anointing came down and it ran over Aaron's beard which speaks to us of maturity. God will anoint us with greater anointings as we mature in the things of God.

"But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ." Ephesians 4:15

The anointing finally made its way to the skirts of His garments. I am reminded of the women with the issue of blood who touched the hem of Jesus' garments and was made whole. When the whole body is covered with this corporate anointing creation will be free from her bondage and will be made whole. The question is, when others touch Christ's Body do they touch the same anointing that's on the Head, Jesus himself? It is important that we know the anointing is not for us but for someone else, it is meant to be given away. It flows from Father to Sons like Aaron and his sons. The anointing is generational and increases with every generation. I call it an exponential anointing. Like Elijah the prophet and his successor Elisha who received a double portion anointing from Elijah the day God took the prophet up in a whirlwind. Success without successors is failure in disguise. What God is doing in these days is not just *for* us, but *through* us. A fresh anointing is coming upon the church but not without a price. To have a Pentecost there must first be a Passover. Calvary produced a Pentecost. There must be a dying out to self to receive fresh oil. The earmark of Christianity is self-denial. God does not anoint sin ridden, selfish, egotistical believers. Only the humble and consecrated will He anoint to do great exploits. Jesus had to pass through His Gethsemane so He

could deliver creation at Calvary. We also must go through our Gethsemane oil press because only under great pressure do we yield oil. The oil press is meant to enhance our intimacy with God. Jesus gave Himself to prayer while He was in Gethsemane. The oil press also exposed what was in Peter, James, and John's heart as they grew weary and fell asleep. The oil press reveals what we are made of and refines our character and faith. The oil press is never meant to cause us to fall into a spiritual slumber but to prepare us for the future assignments the Lord has for us. The anointing on all of us is exponentially greater than the anointing on any one of us.

"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." Luke 4:18

We can see that the anointing on Jesus was there for a purpose. His anointing was for the beggar, blind, brokenhearted, bruised, and the bound. We also are anointed to set creation free from the bondages that keep them from a relationship with Christ and from fulfilling their destiny. We are anointed not just to receive a blessing but to be a blessing. Our anointing never leaves

the planet. God does not anoint us to go to heaven, but to fulfill our purpose on the earth. When Jesus ascended, His mantle came down on the 120 in the upper room. They came out of that encounter anointed and turned their city upside down. Elijah the prophet went up but his mantle came down on Elisha who did twice the miracles as Elijah his predecessor. There is no need for anointing in heaven because there is no sickness, disease, sin, bondages or yokes there. Your anointing is to be used now and given to those around

you. The time has come for us corporately to release our anointing and set the captives free. All the sweet and bitter experiences have created a yoke-destroying anointing on your life to go forth, emancipate creation and loose the Holy Ghost on this generation. Give your anointing and pass it to the next generation so they can do greater works. It's time for the corporate anointing!



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