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THE ANOINTING

I was in a concert at a church. The men's group that sang were very tastefully dressed and they put on quite a performance. They harmonized beautifully, but in spite of their talent, there was something missing. There was no anointing on their music.

What is the anointing? The anointing is the presence of the Holy Spirit. When Holy Spirit is upon someone it draws people to Jesus Christ. It can break the hardest of hearts and cause the knee to bend that had no intention of bending.

Talent is great, but it doesn't move the soul towards God. I would rather listen to someone "anointed" by God that doesn't have what we call the proper clothing, or even the greatest voice, but when they sing, they minister the Holy Spirit to those listening. Those listening don't see the person. They see God in that person.

The same goes for preaching, teaching, or any other talent that someone may have. You might be an excellent teacher or preacher, but without the anointing it would be no different from an ordinary meeting that excludes Holy Spirit.

King David had sinned, and one of the things he said in Psalm 51 always rings in my ears. It says in verse 11, ***"Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me."*** David knew God intimately. He had been anointed to be King, and he valued that presence of God (the anointing on him) more than his kingdom. It meant everything to him. He asked God not to take it away like he had done with Saul.

Each of us can have an anointing on us when we spend time in the presence of God. Just like Moses' face glowed from being in God's presence (Exodus 34:29), we can come away transformed after being in God's presence also.

Isaiah 10: 27b says, ***"...the yoke (bondage) shall be destroyed because of the anointing."*** Don't seek after talent, seek after the anointing because it will destroy bondages, and remove burdens.