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THE ANOINTING

Every person that has ever been born has a God-given purpose. The number one purpose is to glorify God. Besides that, God gives gifts to each human being, and what we do with them makes a difference for eternity.

There are a lot of natural talents. I remember listening to a men's quartet sing in a little church in S. Alabama. They had plenty of natural talent, but there was absolutely no anointing on their music. They sang on pitch, and sang clear, but the Holy Spirit was missing from their music. They were dressed in the finest clothes, and came to the church in fine cars, but they lacked the most important thing they could have. The anointing.

What is the anointing? It is the presence of the Holy Spirit upon a person. Jesus was anointed. In Acts 10:38 it **says, "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."** Again, in II Corinthians 2:21 **"Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God."** Because we are in Christ when we are born again, we also have the anointing on us. Anoint is translated "to smear or rub with oil, or to consecrate to an office or religious service." We have been set apart by God and anointed to be ambassadors for Jesus Christ.

In Isaiah 10: 27 it says: **"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."** The anointing destroys bondages my friends. It doesn't break bondages. It annihilates or destroys them. That is why the anointing is so important. Satan is after the anointing. He doesn't want bondages broken and doesn't want you to live a life of victory. The more time you spend with Holy Spirit, the stronger the anointing becomes.

Have you ever met someone that has a strong presence of God on them? It is the anointing. They spend time with the Holy Spirit. He is "rubbed" into them. He wants that for every believer. You don't have to be a Pastor or teacher or Evangelist, Prophet, or Apostle to receive the anointing. He is in you. Holy Spirit is your best friend and will strengthen you from the inside out as you spend time with Him.

The burden lifting, yoke destroying anointing is available to anyone that wants it and is willing to pay the price of consecration to receive it. Once you have it you never want to let it go. In Psalm 51 David said, "take not thy Holy Spirit from me." He knew the anointing and didn't want to live without it. Let it be your desire too.