

YOUR ANOINTING (PART 1) ELEVATE LIFE SERIES, PART 7

WHO HAS AN ANOINTING? Every Christ follower.

But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth... the anointing you received from him remains in you...

1 John 2:20, 27 (NIV)

- **Calling:** Calling is a divine invitation to an appointment to an office or a vocation.
- **Gifting:** Divine abilities, skills, or spiritual gifts given to you by the Holy Spirit, to help accomplish God given callings.
- **Anointing:** Using your gifts under divine influence to accomplish your calling.

PAUL'S ANOINTING WORKED FOR HIM EVEN WHEN HE WASN'T PRESENT

God did amazing miracles through Paul. Even handkerchiefs and aprons that had touched him were taken to those who were sick. When this happened, their sicknesses were healed and evil spirits left them.

Acts 19:11, 12 (NIRV)

YET SCEVA'S SONS' EXPERIENCES ENDED BADLY FOR THEM WHEN THEY TRIED TO WALK IN AN ANOINTING THEY DID NOT HAVE.

Some Jews went around driving out evil spirits. They tried to use the name of the Lord Jesus to set free those who were controlled by demons. They said, 'In Jesus' name I command you to come out. He is the Jesus that Paul is preaching about.' Seven sons of Sceva were doing this. Sceva was a Jewish chief priest. One day the evil spirit answered them, 'I know Jesus. And I know about Paul. But who are you?' Then the man who had the evil spirit jumped on Sceva's sons. He overpowered them all. He gave them a terrible beating. They ran out of the house naked and bleeding.

Acts 19:13-16 (NIRV)

WHAT IS AN ANOINTING?

PRINCIPLE: WHOM GOD LOVES HE CALLS. WHOM GOD CALLS HE EQUIPS.
WHOM GOD EQUIPS HE ANOINTS.

For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through the knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. **2 Peter 1:3 (BSB)**

**THE ANOINTING IS THE SUPER-NATURAL SIDE OF OUR EQUIPPING. IT IS A RELEASE OF GOD'S
DIVINE FAVOR AND POWER OVER OUR LIVES FOR A DIVINE PURPOSE.**

...For there the Lord commanded the blessing—Life forevermore...

Psalms 133:3b (NKJV)

IS THE ANOINTING FOR SPIRITUAL THINGS ONLY? No

God spoke to Moses: "See what I've done; I've personally chosen Bezalel son of Uri, son of Hur of the tribe of Judah. I've filled him with the Spirit of God, giving him skill and know-how and expertise in every kind of craft to create designs and work in gold, silver, and bronze; to cut and set gemstones; to carve wood—he's an all-around craftsman."

Exodus 31:1-5 (MSG)

PRINCIPLE: THE ANOINTING IS NOT A *THING* TO BE HAD, AS MUCH AS IT IS AN OVERFLOW OF A
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Now it was told King David, saying, "The Lord has blessed the house of Obed-Edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God." So,

David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with gladness." **2 Samuel 6:12 (NKJV)**

EVEN JESUS WAS ANOINTED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT!

When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, **the heaven was opened. And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him**, and a voice came from heaven which said, 'You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.' **Luke 3:21, 22 (NKJV)**

PRINCIPLE: AS A BELIEVER YOU WILL ALWAYS HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT, BUT THE ANOINTING MUST BE CHERISHED AND CULTIVATED, IT IS NOT *AUTOMATIC*.