Your Relationship With The Holy Spirit Lesson 4

# The Anointing of the Holy Spirit

In this lesson, we will learn what it means to be anointed of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus was anointed! As a matter of fact, that’s what ‘Messiah’ (OT) and ‘Christ’(NT) means - ‘anointed one’.

As you know, there are different objects or items that the Bible uses to describe the Holy Spirit.

Even though these natural elements are not the Holy Spirit, their properties describe the characteristics of the Holy Spirit’s and His work in our lives.

**a.** Discuss how each property characterizes the Holy Spirit:

* **Wind** – Acts 2:2 > unseen, refreshing, influencing
* **Water** – John 7:38-39 > life giving, cleansing, thirst quenching
* **Fire** – Acts 2:3; Mt.3:11 > purge, refine, light, heat
* **Dove** – Mt.3:16 > Gentle, soft, peace, pure
* **Oil** – 1 Sam.16:13 > fuel, absorbing, lubricate, loosen, medicinal, fragrant (Ex.30:23-25)

# We see oil used a lot in the Bible in reference to ‘anointing’.

# To ‘anoint’ simply means to ‘smear on’. Meaning, oil was poured or smeared on certain people or temple items.

# Q. For what purpose? To appoint them for the Holy Spirit’s involvement for His sacred purpose or use.

# I. Read the following passages and determine each anointed purpose:

* **King - 2 Kings 9:3** *"Then take the flask of* ***oil,*** *and pour it on his head, and say, ‘Thus says the LORD: "I have* ***anointed*** *you king over Israel."’*
* **Priest - Lev.8:12** *“And he (Moses) poured some of the anointing oil on Aaron’s head and anointed him, to consecrate him.”*
  + **Ex 28:41** *"So you shall put them on Aaron your brother and on his sons with him. You shall anoint them, consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister to Me as priests.”*

**1. To ‘\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_’ or ‘\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_’** (which means to set apart), for a specific purpose or function.

**Q.** By the way, what does **Rev.5:9-10** refer to us as?

**Q.** Describe the function of each?

* King – **See Eph.2:4-6 and Eph.1:20-23**
* Priest – **See Heb.13:15 and Rom.12:1**

**Q.** Now you know why Jesus is described in Rev.19:16 as the King of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_! ☺

# II. Holy Spirit Anointing

As born again children of God, we are consecrated by God, which means we are set apart, appointed or ‘called’ by God for His divine plan & purpose!

Just as God in the OT had priests anoint the temple with oil to consecrate it, He now consecrates His new temple\*, by having His High Priest\*\* anoint you with the ‘Oil’ of His Holy Spirit!

**Q.** \*According to **1 Cor.3:16-17**, who’s the temple?

**Q.** \*\*According to **Heb.8:1**, who’s our High Priest?

**Q.** According to **2 Cor.1:21,** who anoints us?

As NT believers, we don’t need the physical oil, but we do need the spiritual oil.

**Q.** According to **Acts 10:38**, who’s the anointing?

# III. Holy Spirit Consecration or ‘Calling’

**Take Away Point -** “Whom God appoints, God anoints!”

**1. Mt.16:18** - The “Church” or “Ekklesia” means, ‘called out ones’.

**2.** **What have we been called out of?**

**1 Pet.2:9** *But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;*

**3.****From the following scripture, list the things God’s anointing calls us to:**

**a. 1 Cor.1:9** *“God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.”*

**b. Gal.5:13** *“For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.*

**c. 1 Pet.1:15** *“But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct”*

**4. What should we understand about God’s call on our lives?**

**a. 2Tim.1:9**  *“who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began”*

**b. Rom.11:29** *“For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.”*

**c. 1Cor.7:20** *“Let each one remain in the same calling in which he was called.”*

**d. Eph.4:1** *“I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called”*

# IV. Next week

We will learn how God’s anointed calling on our lives is met with God’s anointed power.