

WHEN ANOINTING LIFTS A MAN!

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Psalm 20:6 “Now this I know: The LORD gives victory to His anointed. He answers him from His heavenly sanctuary with the victorious power of His right hand.”

Psalm 28:8

“The LORD is their strength, And He is a saving defense to His anointed.”

Psalm 41:11

“By this I know that You are pleased with me, Because my enemy does not shout in triumph over me.”

Isaiah 9:4

“For You shall break the yoke of their burden and the staff on their shoulders, The rod of their oppressor.”

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Nahum 1:13

"So now, I will break his yoke bar from upon you, And I will tear off your shackles."

Psalm 81:6 "I relieved His shoulder of the burden, His hands were freed from the basket."

Isaiah 30:23

"Then He will give you rain for the seed which you will sow in the ground, and bread from the yield of the ground, and it will be rich and plenteous; on that day your livestock will graze in a roomy pasture."

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I Samuel 3 and 4 give an account of the state of Israel before it was lifted by God's anointing.

I Samuel 3:¹¹ And the LORD said to Samuel: "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle. ¹² At that time I will carry out against Eli everything I spoke against his family—from beginning to end. ¹³ For I told him that I would judge his family forever because of the sin he knew about; his sons blasphemed God, and he failed to restrain them. ¹⁴ **Therefore I swore to the house of Eli, 'The guilt of Eli's house will never be atoned for by sacrifice or offering.'"**

... ¹⁹ The LORD was with Samuel as he grew up, and

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He let none of Samuel's words fall to the ground.
²⁰ And all Israel recognized that Samuel was attested as a prophet of the LORD. ²¹ The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh, and there **He revealed Himself to Samuel through His word.**

I Samuel 4: ⁵ When the ark of the LORD's covenant came into the camp, all Israel raised such a great shout that the ground shook. ⁶ Hearing the uproar, the Philistines asked, "What's all this shouting in the Hebrew camp?" When they learned that the ark of the LORD had come into the camp, ⁷ the Philistines were afraid. Saying "they are the gods who struck

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the Egyptians with all kinds of plagues in the wilderness.”

¹⁰ So the Philistines fought, and the Israelites were defeated and every man fled to his tent. The slaughter was very great; Israel lost thirty thousand foot soldiers.

¹¹ The ark of God was captured, and Eli's two sons, Hophni and Phinehas, died.

1 Samuel 7: 1-14 gives an account of what happens when anointing lifts a man.

“¹ The ark was brought to Abinadab's house... ² The ark remained there for twenty years.

Then all the people of Israel turned back to the

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LORD (THEY RID THEMSELVES OF SIN). ³ So Samuel said to all the Israelites, “If you are returning to the LORD with all your hearts, then rid yourselves of the foreign gods and the Ashtoreths and commit yourselves to the LORD and serve Him only, and He will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines.”

⁴ So the Israelites put away their Baals and Ashtoreths, and served the LORD only.

⁵ Then Samuel said, “Assemble all Israel at Mizpah, and I will intercede with the LORD for you (Prayer is key).”

⁶ When they had assembled at Mizpah, they drew water and poured it out before the LORD. On that day they fasted and there they confessed, “We have sinned against the LORD.” Now Samuel was serving as leader of Israel at Mizpah.

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⁷When the Philistines heard that Israel had assembled at Mizpah, the rulers of the Philistines came up to attack them. When the Israelites heard of it, they were afraid because of the Philistines. ⁸They said to Samuel, “Do not stop crying out to the LORD our God for us, that he may rescue us from the hand of the Philistines.” ⁹Then Samuel took a suckling lamb and sacrificed it as a whole burnt offering to the LORD. He cried out to the LORD on Israel’s behalf, and the LORD answered him. ***Sacrifice and prayer are required.***

¹⁰While Samuel was sacrificing the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to engage Israel in battle. But that day the LORD thundered with loud thunder against the

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Philistines and threw them into such a panic that they were routed before the Israelites (**the anointing lifted Israel**). ¹¹ The men of Israel rushed out of Mizpah and pursued the Philistines, slaughtering them along the way to a point below Beth Kar.

¹² Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer,^[b] saying, “Thus far the LORD has helped us.”

¹³ So the Philistines were subdued and they stopped invading Israel’s territory. Throughout Samuel’s lifetime, the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines.

¹⁴ The towns that the Philistines had captured from Israel were restored to Israel, and Israel delivered the

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neighboring territory from the hands of the Philistines.
The anointing of God lifted Israel.

Brethren, may the anointing of the Almighty God lift you up in Jesus name Amen.

We should strive to do what is required for us to be lifted by His anointing.

Isaiah 52:2

“Shake yourself from the dust, rise up, O captive Jerusalem; Loose yourself from the chains around your neck, O captive daughter of Zion.”

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Let us, therefore,...

- Rid ourselves of sins/resemblance of sin - with clear evidence
- Be sensitive in the spirit to recognize when God speaks
- Sharpen the saw (self-renewal) – spend more time in the word
- Take more time off for retreat and seek God's face
- Recognize when God is asking for sacrifice, offering or/and fast
- Make our house a house of prayer

God Bless You!

2018 PRAYER POINTS

1. Prayer over the message of today. Ask God for His grace to do what is required to be lifted by His anointing.
2. Pray that KCM will continue to fulfil its destiny as God's house of prayer for all nations (Isaiah 56:7)
3. Prayer for Leadership of Nations ...
 - a. The Lord give leaders the grace to lead well
 - b. Leaders to be humble in leadership and fear God
 - c. Nations undergoing change of leadership to have the wisdom to select right
4. Thank God for eradicating Troubles/Wars in nations and making it possible for people to freely serve God.
5. New outbreak of Ebola, God to please cleanse our land (2 Chro 7:13-18).
6. Pray for Minsters, Ministries, Missionaries and Missions and commission to win souls
7. For Marriages, God fearing Children & families to stay together
8. Pray for Members of the fellowship – grace to do what is required to be lifted by His anointing.
- 9 Needs in fellowship & and any special request we have not covered
10. Ask for favour and grace of God this week and pray for next Sunday

