

YOUR ANOINTING, NOT A COUNTERFEIT

TEXT: 1 JOHN 2:27

"As for you, the anointing (Holy Spirit) you received from Him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as His anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit--just as it has taught you, remain in Him."

Brethren, for God to give us His anointing is a unparalleled demonstration of His love for us. Many yearn for it and do not get because God selectively gives it to people He loves and He hopes/expects that they will reciprocate that love.

Prior to the coming of Jesus, prophets will need to call to God each time they needed revelation. For instance, in **Jeremiah 33:3** God said to Jeremiah: *"Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."*

Proverbs 25:2 "It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, But the

glory of kings is to search out a matter.

Amos 3:7 “Surely the Lord GOD does nothing Unless He reveals His secret counsel To His servants the prophets.”

But now God has allowed the Holy Spirit to live in us and reveal things to us automatically.

“But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.” **(John 16:13)**

Luke 8:17 (NKJV) “For nothing is secret that will not be revealed.”

John 15:15 (NIV) “I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.”

1 Corinthians 2:9-10(NIV) “However, as it is written: “What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived”—the things God has prepared for those who love him— these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God.”

Brethren, God gave us the Holy Spirit, not because we already merited it but He did so because of His love (same reason He sent Jesus even while we were still in sin) to make it easier for us to succeed in our spiritual journey in Christ.

Ephesians 1:9 (NIV) “He made known to us the mystery of His will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ.”

Paul said that the grace upon him is not because he has already attained but to enable him press forward for what is ahead.

“I don’t mean to say that I have already achieved these things or

that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me.”

(Philippians 3:12)

“God’s kindness leads you toward repentance?” (Romans 2:3-4)

That is why Paul reminds us that by receiving the Holy Spirit (even when we did not yet deserve it), we are “entrusted with treasure.”

“This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with (treasure) the mysteries God has revealed. ² Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.” (1 Corinthians 4:1-2 **NIV**)

“Don’t imagine us leaders to be something we aren’t. We are servants of Christ, not his masters. We are guides into God’s most sublime secrets, not security guards posted to protect them. The requirements for a good guide are reliability and accurate knowledge.” (1 Corinthians 4:1-2 **MSG**)

Brethren, we are entrusted with treasure (hidden secrets of God). We are, therefore, expected to prove ourselves faithful:

1. Reliability.

God reveals His secret to those He can trust.

“The secret of the LORD *is* with those who fear Him, And He will show them His covenant.” **Psalm 25:14**

Be interested in working with the Holy Spirit, make the time to work with Him.

2. Accurate knowledge.

Invest in finding out how God speaks to you and test the spirit to be sure it is from God. Read the word of God

²⁷ My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me (John 10:27)

¹⁵ Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. (2 Tim)

3. Freely we received, freely give others.

1 John 3: “²³ And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. ²⁴ The one who keeps God’s commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.”

Matthew 10

⁸ Heal the sick, [a]cleanse the lepers, [b]raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.”

4. Love others even when they do not deserve it

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. (Luke 6:32-33)

Proverbs 17:9

Whoever conceals an offense promotes love, but he who brings it up separates friends.

5. Use that love to guide others into repentance.

“Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.” **1 Peter 4:8**

Just like “God’s kindness leads you toward repentance?” (Romans 2:3-4), so will your kindness lead others into repentance.

Revelation 3:19

Those I love, I rebuke and discipline. Therefore be earnest and repent.

Luke 17:3

“If another believer sins, rebuke that person; then if there is repentance, forgive.

Conclusion:

“Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.” Let us go and lead a faithful life.

God Bless You!

2019 PRAYER POINTS

1. Pray over today's message.
2. For KCM ask for grace to diligently fulfil its mandate as “the house of prayer for all nations” (Isaiah 56:7), extending God's love to all the nations.
3. Prayer for the Leaders of Nations
4. Thank God for stopping wars in nations.
5. Continue to ask God to have mercy on our land, forgive our sins & heal us (2 Chro, 7:13-18).
6. Pray for Ministers and Missionaries, their ministries and missions.
7. Pray for Marriages, Children and families. Restoration of troubled marriages & children – family
8. Pray for Members of the fellowship
9. Pray for the needs of the members & the fellowship, and any special request.
10. Also pray for next Sunday.