DEDICATION INCREASES YOUR ANOINTING

I. 2 Cor 1:21 Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God.

A. If Born Again and filled with The Holy Spirit God has anointed you
   1. 1 Jn 2:20 & 27 you have and anointing & the anointing will teach you
      a. anointing will take you from obscurity & into the land of visibility
      b. anointing will take you out of insignificance and into prominence
         (1) God will take you out of darkness and into light Col 1:12-13

II. the key to anointing being able to teach us is **DEDICATION**:

A. **DEDICATION PRINCIPLES**:
   1. Dedication brings increase
   2. If you desire to see break through unto the next level
      a. than your dedication to” God, your calling, ministry, career, marriage, family:
         (1) must increase

B. Def. Dedication: being consecrated / set apart
   1. Dedication brings distinction. **Distinction**: can be described as: **EXCELLENCE**
   2. **Jesus is an example of excellence**: Heb. 8:6 “more excellent ministry”
      a. Results of Jesus dedication to excellence: Phil 2:9 Therefore God also has **highly exalted Him** and given Him the name which is above every name,

C. Your **exploits** in life & ministry are directly related to your dedication to your:
   1. calling, ministry, business, career, family
      a. Your **dedication is the price you pay** for break through / greatness / distinction

D. Your **level of anointing** will determine the **degree of God’s glory** resting upon your life:
   1. Two words for Glory:
      a. **KABOD**: heavenly laden with good things, weighty, abundance, substance, riches
      b. **SHEKINAH**: DWELLING, SETTLING
   2. Example of the Shekinah Glory: 1 Kings 8:10
      a. Note: the Temple was dedicated, yielded, consecrated, set apart for God: then the glory rested upon it……dedication increases the anointing
   3. 1 Cor 6:19 “your body is the TEMPLE of the Holy Spirit who is in you”
      a. Take inventory of your dedication / commitment level as the house/ temple of God
      b. Jesus reveals the acceptable standard of dedication in Lk 9:23
      c. Paul reveals to us the biblical standard of dedication in 2 Tim 4:2

E. The **TEMPLE** was a picture / prophetic type & shadow of the Born Again Believer
   1. The Temple was made up of three parts:
      a. **OUTTER COURT** / **HOLY PLACE** / **HOLY OF HOLIES**
   2. These three segments of the temple correspond to the triune state of man:
      a. 1 Thes 5:23 spirit, soul, body
         (1) The **COURT**: the outward, visible segment, represents our body
         (2) The **HOLY PLACE**: appealed to the sacred emotions, representing our soul
         (3) The **Holy of Holies**: place of communion & presence of God represents our spirit
         (4) The **ARK OF THE COVENANT**: type of God’s presence & glory in our spirit man

II. How do we dedicate ourselves to The Lord, bringing increase to our anointing?

A. **Holiness**: Holiness is the very nature of God / 1 Pet 1:16
   1. 2 Tim 2:19 “depart from iniquity”
      a. does your anointing have a foul odor due to sin: Eccl 10:1

B. **Faithfulness**: is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit we are to develop Gal 5:22 – 23
   1. The Lord is unable to use us in a mighty way unless we develop faithfulness:
      a. 1 Tim 1:12 “He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry” & 2 Tim 4:5
C. **Study The Word of God**: You can be anointed, but without dedication to the Word of God, the devil can still destroy your life: (Jn 10:10)
1. Hosea 4:6 “My (God’s people) are destroyed for lack of knowledge”
2. 2 Tim 2:15 “Study to show thyself approved into God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed”
   a. The degree that you dedicate yourself to the Word of God will determine the level of revelation that you will receive and walk in

D. **Develop your Prayer Life**: Luke 19:46 My house is a house of prayer
1. House:
   a. the local church
   b. The Born Again Believer who is the house/ temple of God 1 Cor 6:19
2. The degree of which you develop your prayer life will determine:
   a. your commitment level in your walk with God
   b. and the level of your anointing
3. Prayer is not only petitions unto The Lord:
   a. Prayer is also taking time to seek the face of God
   (1) Ps 24:6 This is Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face.
   b. Prayer is taking time to get into the presence of God
4. Something very powerful takes place when you develop a prayer life that goes beyond petitions: **IMPARTATION**
   a. an impartation of the anointing and glory of God comes from being in God’s presence in prayer

III. Your dedication will determine your **COMMAND**
A. It will put you into the position of authority, power and dominion through the anointing in your life
1. **Moses** dedication to God determined his command over Pharaoh, Jannes & Jambres
   a. the latter two were agents of witchcraft
2. **Daniel’s** dedication to God determined his command over the lions in the den, & warlocks of Persia
3. **Paul’s** dedication to God determined the victory over his enemies & life’s Circumstances

IV. **Are there things in your life you need to take command of?**
A. Isa 10:27 It shall come to pass in that day That his burden will be taken away from your shoulder, And his yoke from your neck, And the yoke will be destroyed because of the anointing oil.
   1. If we would apply these principles of Dedication to our life, there would not be a yoke that the anointing could not break
   2. If we desire to see more of God moving in our life:
      a. we need to examine our level of dedication in our walk with God