

## **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
1. 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
2. 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
3. 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