Leadership and the Anointing of the Holy Spirit

Understanding the anointing: its nature and contents (Luke 4:18-19; 2 Cor. 1:21-22;2 John 22,27)

I. Ingredients representing the anointing (Ex. 30:22-33)

- 1) Myrrh (healing) "He sent me to heal the broken hearted"
- 2) Cinnamon (burning/Divine authority)" ...to proclaim liberty to the captives"
- 3) Cane (Causing hunger) "...to open the eyes of the blind"
- 4) Cassia (cleansing)" ...to set at liberty those who are oppressed"
- 5) Olive oil (blending)" ...To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord"

II. Nature of the Anointing

- 1) Speaks, touches and awakens the heart
- 2) Works in us for a specific goal and purpose
- 3) Demonstrating divine sovereignty
- 4) Liberates, breaks bondages and yokes
- 5) Operates beyond natural abilities and gifting
- 6) Requires openness, receptivity and sensitivity
- 7) Reveals God-given gifting and abilities
- 8) Brings about divine judgment
- 9) Effective in every stage, growth, testing, place, assignment and responsibility

III. Foundational Conditions for the Anointing

- 1) Life founded on repentance, forgiveness, cleansing by the blood
- 2) Life consecrated to the Lord
- 3) Genuine willingness to serve God
- 4) Determination to walk in the Spirit
- 5) Fear of the Lord (loving righteousness, hating evil)
- 6) Exercising total dependence on the Lord
- 7) Life of generous giving
- 8) Walking in love and unity with the body of Christ
- 9) Life of humility and brokenness

IV. Function of the Anointing

- 1) In an atmosphere of boldness and confidence in the Lord
- 2) In surrender to the Lordship of Christ
- 3) In an atmosphere of humility
- 4) In an atmosphere saturated with prayer and worship
- 5) In an atmosphere of persevering faith
- 6) With hearts full of zeal and initiative for service
- 7) In atmosphere of rest and the absence of hesitation and tension

V. Hindrances and obstacles to the anointing

- 1) Wrong or incomplete teaching about the Holy Spirit
- 2) Traditions, hardness of heart, lack of faith
- 3) Honoring and acknowledging people above the Holy Spirit
- 4) Lack of reverence and respect for the presence of the Holy Spirit
- 5) Focus on self and exhibiting our abilities and strengths
- 6) Conflict, division, lack of unity
- 7) Lack of enough fellowship time with the Lord
- 8) Life of compromise
- 9) Lack of faithfulness

VI. Levels and Dimensions of the Anointing

1) Tasting 2) Infilling 3) Ministering 4) Resting

VII. Results of Blessings of the Anointing (1 Sam. 10:1-9)

- 1) Revelation of God's pleasure and impartation of authority and inheritance
- 2) Fulfillment of the longings of our hearts (lesson of Rachel's tomb)
- 3) Spiritual advancement (lesson of the oaks of Tabor)
- 4) Divinely appointed relationships (lesson of Bethel)
- 5) Impartation of honor and reverence of God
- 6) Release of divine provision
- 7) Personal revival

- 8) Flow of the gifts and presence of the Holy Spirit
- 9) Transformation (changed into another man)
- 10) Success in all you do

VIII. Renewal of Anointing

- 1) For comfort, endurance, excellence (Heb. 1:9)
- 2) For healing, change, producing fruit (Isaiah 61:1-3)
- 3) For continuous divine provision and stability (Psalm 23:5-6)
- 4) Maintaining unity, wisdom, and dedication (psalm 133)
- 5) New anointing for victory and new seasons (Psalm 92:10)
- 6) To keep us active in the move of God (Acts 10:38; Judges 13:25)

IX. Attitude and Response to Mantle of Anointing (1 Kings 19:19-21)

- 1) Focus and faithfulness in responsibility (hands on the plow)
- 2) Understanding the call and anointing of God 'Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle on him.'
- 3) Genuine response to the Lord "he left the oxen and ran after Elijah"
- 4) Passing the test of priorities 'he (Elijah) said to him," Go back again, for what have I done to you?"
- Willingness to sacrifice,' he slaughtered them and boiled their flesh using the oxen's equipment'
- 6) Training in service, 'Then he arose and followed Elijah and became his servant.'

X. Receiving a Double-Portion Anointing (2 Kings 2:1-13)

- 1) Gilgal (place of alignment, dedication and covenant with God)
- 2) Bethel (place of intimate relationship with God)
- 3) Jericho (place of growth and equipping)
- 4) River Jordan (place of humbling and total dependence)
- 5) Beyond Jordan (place of final testing)