

# The Anointed One is Coming

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Anointing in the Old Testament is performed with **holy oil** – usually poured on the head of the one being anointed. To anoint, means to make sacred, to set apart for a specific purpose, or to consecrate for a special office, or religious service.

Let's look at a few examples of "anointing" from the Old Testament.

1Samuel 15:1 Samuel also said unto Saul, The Lord sent me to **anoint thee** to be king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD.

Tall King Saul had disqualified himself as worthy to be King by lining his pockets with wealth, instead of following the Lord.

1Samuel 15:11 It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is **turned back** from following me, and hath **not performed** my commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night.

1Samuel 16:1 And the Lord said unto [the Prophet] Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? **fill thine horn with oil**, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Bethlehemite: for **I have provided me a king among his sons**.

1Samuel 16:10 Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said unto Jesse, **The Lord hath not chosen these**.

1Samuel 16:11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither.

1Samuel 16:12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said, Arise, **anoint him**: for **this is he**.

David is very specifically singled out – for anointing - by the Lord.

1Samuel 16:13 Then Samuel took the horn of **oil, and anointed him** in the midst of his brothers: and the **Spirit of the Lord came upon David** from that day forward.

We find **three** times when David was **anointed**.

## The Lord has chosen David

2Samuel 2:4 And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the **house of Judah**.

2Samuel 5:3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they **anointed David king over Israel**.

In these verses, God is defining the meaning of "Anointing" **for us**. Again, to anoint, means to make sacred, to set apart for a specific purpose, or to consecrate for a special office, or religious service. God, Himself, gives the recipe and mixing instructions for the making of anointing oil. The God says in:

Exodus 30:25 And thou shalt make it an **oil of holy ointment**, an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be **an holy anointing oil**.

Exodus 30:26 And thou shalt **anoint** the tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the ark of the testimony,

Exodus 30:27 And the table and all his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of incense,

Exodus 30:28 And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the laver and his foot.

Exodus 30:29 And thou shalt **sanctify them** [set them apart for a most special purpose], that they may be most holy: whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy.

Exodus 30:30 And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that they may minister unto me in the **priest's office**. [specifically]

Leviticus 8:10 And Moses took the **anointing oil**, and anointed the tabernacle and all that was therein, and **sanctified them**.

Leviticus 8:11 And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all his vessels, both the laver and his foot, to sanctify them.

Leviticus 8:12 And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, **to sanctify him**.

King David harkens back to the **ceremony** in which Aaron was anointed to the office of High Priest.

**Anointing** is actually a **beautiful thing** in God's sight. It is held in high esteem – a thing of **joy**, pleasure and beauty. We see here **the anointing oil** equated with harmony and good fellowship.

Psalms 133:1 Behold, how good and **how pleasant** it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!

Psalms 133:2 It is like the **precious ointment** upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that **went down** to the skirts of his garments;

A **copious** amount of anointing oil was used – as we saw God telling Samuel - **fill** your horn with oil.

Psalms 133:3 As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the **mountains of Zion**: for there the Lord commanded the **blessing**, even life for evermore.

In the New Testament **Anointing the head with oil** or ointment became more common place as a sign of respect sometimes paid by a host to his guests.

Interestingly, this is the only place that we find Jesus actually being anointed – and it is being done by a sinful woman – because God the Father had already **Anointed** Jesus to be High Priest and King of His coming Kingdom.

Luke 7:37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,

Luke 7:38 And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment.

Luke 7:46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.

The meaning of this **anointing** was lost – Even on the disciples.

Matthew 26:8 But when his disciples saw it, they had **indignation**, saying, To what purpose is this waste?

Jesus answered them:

Matthew 26:12 For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial.

And after Jesus died – again it was women doing the **anointing**:

Mark 16:1 And when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and **anoint Him**.

A **strange thing** happens as we transition into the New Testament.

Matthew 1:1 The book of the generation of *Jesus Christ*, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

For most westerners that first verse in the New Testament does not conjure up anything about **anointing** or being **set apart** for a very special purpose and office. But it is definitely in this verse!

The word "Christ" appears in the New Testament well over 500 times. We've heard "Jesus Christ" since we were little kids – we think that is Jesus' name. Let's understand that "**Christ**" is not Jesus' **last name**. It is a Greek word. "Christ" comes from the Greek, "*khristos*" - anglicized into "Christos," meaning "anointed, or **Anointed One**."

But, 'Christ' no longer means **Anointed One** to most people in this day and age – it has been obfuscated and diluted – so that the true meaning is concealed and lost on us.

In the Old Testament the word '**messiah**' is an English translation of the Hebrew word '*mas hi ach*,' which simply means 'anointed with oil.' The word "Messiah" appears only twice in the New Testament – by John. I think that John, writing late – saw that "Christos" was losing its full force of meaning - to show that the Messiah was expected to come. Let's re-read Matthew 1:1

Matthew 1:1 The book of the generation of our **Savior, the Anointed One**, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Now that's a **good start** to the New Testament! The purpose of today's sermon is to get us to place a meaning on the word "Christ" each time we see it – because it points to the Kingdom of God – and we too easily read right over "Christ" because of our prior conditioning.

Matthew 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the "*Christ*," the Son of the living God. [Meaning Anointed Messiah]

Matthew 16:20 Then charged He His disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the "*Christ*." [Meaning Anointed Messiah]

Jesus was not yet ready to "go public" with the fact that He was the Anointed Messiah.

Verses take on a whole new meaning if this thought of "The Anointed One" is in our mind as we read.

Mark 15:32 Let Christ [the Anointed One] the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.

**God the Father anointed Jesus** to be King over the Kingdom of God – beginning in the soon coming Millennium.

Jesus quoted these words that Isaiah was inspired to write telling of **His anointing**: Jesus read from the scroll:

Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has **anointed me** [*Christos*] to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised.

Can you imagine how all the heads of the Jews in the synagogue snapped Jesus' way when He applied that verse – "the Lord has **anointed me**," directly to Himself?

We see that Jesus Christ is the **Anointed One**. The Messiah is anointed to rule over all the earth ...the Kingdom of God. To be the Christ, or the Messiah, is to be the **Anointed One**, chosen of God.

Jesus was quoting directly from the Old Testament where we find a prophecy of Christ, the Anointed One.

Isaiah 61:1-2 The Spirit of the Lord God [the Father] is upon Me; because **the Lord has anointed me** [*Messiah*] to preach good tidings [Gospel] unto the meek; He hath sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound. To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord [Jesus stopped here], and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn.

This anointing by God the Father consecrated Jesus to perform His two-fold coming: His earthly ministry, and His one-thousand year reign over the entire earth.

It appears that **even John** the Baptist did not fully understand about the Messiah's **two-fold** coming.

The true Messiah fulfills both aspects of the dual prophecies. He first came in the flesh to suffer and die, and afterward, He will come again in great power to rule the nations. The Messiah is anointed (appointed) to rule over all the earth – the Kingdom of God. To be the Christ, or the Messiah, is to be the **Anointed One**, chosen of God. Peter tells us that it was commonly preached that:

Acts 10:38 **God anointed** [consecrated] Jesus of Nazareth with Holy Spirit and with power: who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him.

When the people of Jesus day heard "Christ" it carried a great expectation and anticipation of **One who was anointed by God** to establish a whole new world order for Israel.

There are not many people today, percentage wise, who are excited about **the coming** of Jesus Christ. That is because the world does not know why Jesus came in the flesh. They do not know, what it was, that Jesus came to accomplish. They do not know Jesus - nor His future role as the Anointed Messiah.

Peter warned us that this very lackadaisical mindset would be prevalent right now.

2Peter 3:3-4 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying, Where is the promise of **His coming**? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

In other words, "What's all the hurry – there's plenty of time to get ready."

Peter goes on to warn us not to take God for granted, and to tell us that God's Plan is right on schedule and He is giving as many of us as possible – time to wake up and smell the roses – which means to get real and see things for how they really are and what's really going on.

2Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

There is a major calamity descending upon us, and folks act like we have **all the time** in the world. It is going to strike soon like a bolt out of the blue!

Matthew 24:37-39 As the days of Noah were, so shall also **the coming** of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also **the coming** of the Son of man be.

It is high time for God's people to get excited and start looking seriously for the coming of the **Anointed One** with some real anticipation.

At the end of Jesus' life, the disciples were still confused as to the role of the Messiah.

Acts 1:6 When [the disciples] therefore were come together, they asked of [Jesus], saying, Lord, will you at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?

### **God the Father Anointed Jesus**

**Acts 2:36** Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that **God has made** that same **Jesus**, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and **Christ**. [the Messiah – the **Anointed One**.]

The disciples had been anticipating the Messiah's appearance even before Jesus appeared on the scene.

John 1:40-41 One of [John the Baptist's] two [disciples] which heard John speak, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his own brother Simon, and said unto him, We have found the **Messiah**, [the **Anointed One**] which is, being interpreted, the **Christ**.

Jesus told the Samaritan woman – another sinful woman – that He was the Messiah:

John 4:25-26 The [Samaritan] woman [at the well,] said unto [Jesus], I know that **Messiah is coming** – which is called Christ: when He is come, He will tell us all things. Jesus said unto her, I, who am speaking to you, **am He**.

Today, there seems to be very little expectation that Jesus Christ, as the **Anointed Messiah** is coming again.

John 4:28 The woman then left her waterpot, and went her way into the city [of the Samaritans], and saith to the men,

John 4:29 Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ – the Messiah?

Even among those who were **not Jews** – there was a **general expectation** that Messiah comes – they believed that there was a coming Messiah.

Now that we are at the end-time – it seems to me that there is no longer very much of an expectation of an imminent return of the Messiah. There should be. Sure, we say, "Jesus is coming back."

We are to pray "Thy Kingdom Come," but there are very few who really, really believe that the Messiah **is coming** soon.

Anointing is the prescribed procedure for performing a number of divine functions, including, but not limited to: (I found this list on-line)

Kings are anointed to their offices (1 Samuel 15:1 Saul)

Prophets were consecrated and anointed (1 Kings 19:16)

The Pillar Stone was anointed by the Patriarch, Jacob (Genesis 31:13)

The Sons of Aaron and priests were anointed (Exodus 28:41, 29:7)

Holy Bread was anointed (Exodus 29:2)

The Altar and the sin offering were anointed (Exodus 29:36, 40:10)

The Tabernacle of the congregation and everything in it was anointed (Exodus 30:26, 40:9)

The Ark of the Covenant was anointed (Exodus 30:26)

The Future Two Witnesses are called **Sons of oil**. (Zechariah 4:14)

Even Satan, the **anointed** cherub that covereth received his estate by being anointed. (Ezekiel 28:14)

The brethren of the Church of God are blessed to know and participate in anointings by which God bestows spiritual gifts on them.

Again, I suppose it is a sign of the times – but many are reluctant to call on the elders for anointing when they are sick.

Most religious organizations do not practice anointing or recognize the blessings that this intimate and meaningful doctrine brings.

How much do we in God's Church look for the Messiah – the Anointed One?

The Jews are looking for a **human** Messiah.

We know that the Jews rejected Jesus' first coming – how can they recognize the second coming of the Messiah?

Most Christians are looking for the return of "Jesus Christ." They worship on Sunday and do not know Jesus.

We are looking at a preponderance of Scriptures today that accentuate that the Messiah comes – with the emphasis on Coming.

I am trying to stress the "**coming**" part of the Scriptures.

John 6:13 Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.

Expectation seen here:

John 6:14 Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that **Prophet** that **should come** into the world.

Deuteronomy 18:15 The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him **ye shall hearken**; [Listen to Him!]

Acts 3:23 And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will **not hear** that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

Jesus' disciples understood the impact of Christ being the coming Anointed One. But, I think we miss it most of the time when we see the word, "Christ."

John 11:14 Then **said Jesus** unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.

John 11:21 Then said **Martha** unto Jesus, Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have not died.

John 11:25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

John 11:26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

John 11:27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that **thou art the Christ**, [the Messiah – the **anointed one**] the Son of God, which should come into the world.

God's people then, sought and anticipated the Messiah – the Savior – the Christ – the Anointed One – who will establish the Kingdom of God over all the earth.

Jesus was and is the Messiah – He was that Prophet. So we see that the Bible does speak often of the **Messiah coming!** Why do **so few people** expect a Messiah to appear soon on the scene?

With an eager anticipation, Israel of the Old Testament, and the Jews of Jesus' day looked for a powerful leader/Messiah who would immediately restore the power and might of the nation of Israel.

The true Messiah fulfills **both aspects** of the dual prophecies – He first came in the flesh to suffer and die, and afterwards comes again in great power to rule the nations.

Daniel 7:13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the **Son of man** [Jesus Christ] came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the **Ancient of days** [God the Father], and they brought him [Jesus] near before him [the Father].

**Here** is where Jesus is **anointed** – set apart – given rule and dominion – and made King of the Kingdom.

Daniel 7:14 There was given [to One like the Son of man] dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His Kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

That is all yet future.

Jesus Christ came **the first time** to announce the soon coming Kingdom of God, and to show by infallible proof that He was indeed the Messiah, and to suffer and die for the salvation of mankind.

Mark 1:14 Now after that John [the Baptist] was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,

Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel. [good news]

Now, Jesus is poised to return to this earth in great power as King of kings. Jesus did not come in power the **first time**. Again, the Messiah is **anointed (appointed)** to rule **over all the earth** – the Kingdom of God. To be the Christ, or the Messiah, is to be “the Anointed One, chosen of God.” Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ – chosen of God to bring about the Plan of God.

The Father resurrected Jesus after three days and three nights in the grave – the sign – the miracle- and the proof that He is the Messiah and Savior of all mankind. The people were saying to Jesus, “**Prove you are the Messiah – the Anointed One to Come.**” We understand correctly that Jesus was raised to life after being buried fully three and three nights. It was **the** miracle that proved that He was the Messiah.

Matthew 12:38 Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign [**miracle**] from thee.

They were saying in effect, “Work a miracle right here, and right now – and prove that you are the prophesied Messiah – the Anointed One.

Matthew 12:39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

Matthew 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale’s belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Very soon, Jesus Christ, the Messiah, will come and establish His Father's Kingdom.

Let’s look at the Biblical development of our belief in the Messiah – and more importantly – the concept of the Messiah **yet coming again**.

First occurrence of prophesied Messiah.

Genesis 3:15 And I will put enmity between thee [Satan] and the woman, and between thy seed [children of Satan – John 8:44] and her seed [a reference to the Messiah]; it [Messiah] shall bruise thy head, and thou shall bruise his heel. [speaking of the crucifixion – which was foiled when God the Father in exceeding great power raised Jesus from the dead.]

Bruising the head is a fatal injury. The heel injury is temporary. In fact, from God’s promise in Genesis 3:15 - Eve expected the Messiah to appear immediately. She thought her firstborn – Cain – was the Messiah. Some translations show this better:

Genesis 4:1 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man [*from*] the Lord. [... I have gotten a man - the Lord.]

Genesis 49:10 is a prophecy of the Messiah. This is the only place “Shiloh” is used.

Genesis 49:10 The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between His feet, until Shiloh comes; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

This is the first evidence that Israel was **expecting** a great leader/Messiah to arise out of Israel who would be king over the whole earth. That all has to do with the second coming of the Messiah – the Anointed One. The clearest prophecy about this messianic king who was coming is from King David's time. When you see the phrase, “He that comes **in the name** of the Lord” – please understand that it **refers to the coming Messiah**.

Psalms 118:26 Blessed be He **that comes in the name of the Lord**:

Psalms 118:27 God is the Lord.

I want to **tie** these two prophecies together – Psalms and Zechariah.

Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King comes unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an donkey. [that has never been ridden before.]

Jesus inspired David to write those words – clearly He knew they were a Prophecy of **His coming**...

This is a prophecy of the coming of the Anointed One. Jesus said:

Matthew 23:39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is He **that comes** in the name of the Lord.

Of course, Jesus is Emmanuel: (God with Us)

Mark 11:7 And they brought the colt to Jesus, and cast their garments on him; and He [Jesus] sat upon him.

Mark 11:8 And many spread their garments in the way: and others cut down branches off the trees, and strawed them in the way.

The “red carpet” treatment! They were honoring Jesus as the Messiah! They were making a big show because they thought Jesus was about to restore and establish the Kingdom of Israel – right then and there! Fulfilled Prophecy – Zechariah 9:9

Mark 11:9 And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed is **He that comes** in the name of the Lord:

Mark 11:10 Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Luke relates the event this way... Jesus sent two of his disciples,

Luke 19:30 Saying, Go ye into the village over against you; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring him hither.

Luke 19:31 And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose him? thus shall ye say unto him, Because the Lord hath need of him.

Luke 19:33 And as [the disciples] were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, Why loose ye the colt?

Luke 19:34 And they said, The Lord hath need of him.

Luke 19:35 And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.

Luke 19:36 And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.

Luke 19:37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;

Luke 19:38 Saying, Blessed be the King **that comes** in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

They thought this was the **immediate fulfillment** of the Anointed One’s coming! Here’s Matthew’s rendition:

Matthew 21:4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

Matthew 21:5 Tell ye the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy King comes unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an donkey, and a colt the foal of an donkey.

Matthew 21:9 And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is **he that comes in the name of the Lord**; Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus is the **Anointed One** who comes in the name of the Lord. And in John's gospel we read...

John 12:13 Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.

They simply thought that they were having a parade – they didn't know the prophecy – they learned later.

John 12:14 And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written,

John 12:15 Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.

John 12:16 These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him.

The Messianic Prophecies about Jesus are clear. The Messiah would be the "Seed" of Abraham. The Messiah would come from Jacob. The Messiah would be of Judah. The Messiah would be of King David's lineage...

Numbers 24:19 **Out of Jacob** shall come He that shall have dominion, and shall destroy him that remains of the city.

John the Baptist's mission was prophesied to prepare the way for the Messiah.

Isaiah 40:3 The voice of him [John the Baptist] that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Isaiah 40 fulfilled here: We see Isaiah 40 quoted here in ...

Mark 1:3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

Mark 1:4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.

Mark 1:5 And there went out unto him all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.

Mar 1:6 And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey;

Mark 1:7 And preached, saying, **There comes** one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose.

Mark 1:8 I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit.

People thought that John the Baptist was the expected Messiah.

Luke's rendition on John the Baptist...

Luke 3:16 John [the Baptist] answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I **comes**, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire:

Matthew 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but He **that comes** after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire:

Again, it appears that John the Baptist did not fully understand about the Messiah's **two-fold** coming.

By the grace of God - God has graciously revealed **so much more** to us in these last days. More is expected of us.

Matthew 11:1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.

Matthew 11:2 Now when John [the Baptist] had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,

Notice the **expectation** of the Messiah...

Matthew 11:3 And said unto him [Jesus], Art thou He **that should come**, or do we look for another?

Matthew 11:4 Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and show John again those things which ye do hear and see:

In this next verse we see the difference in a gospel ABOUT Jesus, And the true Gospel that Jesus preached about the soon coming Kingdom of God.

Matthew 11:5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have **the gospel** preached to them.

Matthew 11:6 And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

"Don't worry John the Baptist - Jesus is the Anointed One." Jesus tells them that John's job was more than a Prophet's - John was also to prepare the way for the Messiah - vs 10

Matthew 11:10 For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

Luke 3:15 And as the people were in **expectation [of the Anointed One]**, and all men mused in their hearts of John [the Baptist], whether he were the Christ [Messiah, **the Anointed One**], or not;

Luke 3:16 John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire:

Luke 3:17 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire **unquenchable**.

"**Unquenchable**" That is at the Anointed One's **second** coming.

Luke **7:19** And John [the Baptist] calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Jesus, saying, Art thou **he that should come?** or look we for another?

It should be becoming clear that the Messiah has a **two-fold coming**.

We know that Jesus came 2000 years ago – a long time ago... some grow weary in well doing and begin to say where is the promise of **His coming** – my Lord delays **His coming**.

A very important verse...

Daniel 9:25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto [**the coming**] of the **Messiah** the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

That is how the **Magi** knew the timing of the Messiah's coming... We know that they figured it out...

Matthew 2:1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

Matthew 2:2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

Daniel 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

Jesus – the King who came Bethlehem of Judea Matthew 2. What does this world desperately need? The future coming Messiah...

Haggai 2:7 And I will shake all nations, and the **desire** [the **Anointed One is the desire**] of all nations **shall come**: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.

They **desire** the Messiah – the **Anointed One**. Jesus said that He would come back – return to the earth.

John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

John 14:28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and **come again** unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

The Anointed One is Coming! Pray "Thy Kingdom Come."

Hebrews 10:35 [Brethren] Cast not away therefore **your confidence**, which hath great recompense of reward.

Paul is saying, "Keep believing that The Anointed One is Coming."

Hebrews 10:36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might **receive the promise**. [**of the Messiah, the Anointed One**]

Hebrews 10:37 For yet a little while, and He that **shall come - will come**, and will not delay.

Soon we will say: "Blessed is He **that comes** in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest."

END: The Anointed One is Coming

Unused notes:

Gen 49:10 The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.

\*\*Jer 23:5 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch [**the Anointed One**], and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

\*\*Jer 23:6 In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS

Strangely, our world today recognizes only a "Jesus" who worked miracles and suffered. The message of preachers today is about the person of Jesus - how He healed the sick, raised the dead, and walked on water - but they neglect the Gospel message of good news Jesus brought - that of the Kingdom of God.

will actually obliterate the evil rulers of today's nations.

Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ. Jesus of Nazareth is the Divine Son of God the Father, begotten of Holy Spirit, born in the human flesh of the virgin Mary. He became fully human and, therefore, capable of dying. Jesus is the Word, the Logos, and He has existed eternally with the Father. He was God in the beginning and He was, and is, a member of the glorious Godhead. God the Father created all things by and through Jesus Christ. Without Christ nothing was made; He was the God of the Old Testament and the God of ancient Israel. Though capable of sinning, Jesus lived a perfect, sinless life. He was crucified to pay for the sins of mankind.

The Father resurrected Jesus after three days and three nights in the grave - the sign and proof that He is the Messiah and Savior of all mankind. Jesus now sits at the right hand of the Father in heaven, as our High Priest intervening for us before God the Father.

Jesus Christ came first to announce the soon coming Kingdom of God, and to show by infallible proof that He was indeed the Messiah, and to suffer and die for the salvation of mankind. Now, He is poised to return to this earth in great power as King of kings. Let's understand that "Christ" is not Jesus' last name. "Christ" comes from the Greek, "Christos," meaning "anointed."

w/ Isa 61:2

Whenever we see the word, "vengeance" or "avenge," we think about the second coming of the Messiah.

Daniel 7:14 There was given [to One like the Son of man] dominion, and glory, and a Kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His Kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Very soon, Jesus Christ, the Anointed One, will come and establish His Father's Kingdom.

Brethren, through God's anointing we are established in Christ as members of the Body of Christ. God the Father has **anointed us!** He has sealed us as His children. Here is the incredible thing that we can so easily overlook is this: In the same way that Jesus was anointed to perform His duties, **we too, are anointed** with a special calling. Being begotten (Fathered) by God's Spirit makes us His Children with His Spirit, just as Jesus became the Son of God. This is the earnest and the promise of eternal life through Jesus Christ. Paul wrote:

2Corinthians 1:21-22 He who establishes us with you in Christ, and **has anointed us,** is God; Who has also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

Jesus of Nazareth is the Divine Son of God the Father, begotten of Holy Spirit, born in the human flesh of the virgin Mary.

He became fully human and, therefore, capable of dying – which is entirely necessary if we are to have salvation.

Jesus is the Word, the Logos of John 1:1 who has existed eternally with the Father.

He was God in the beginning and He was, and is, a member of the glorious Godhead.

Us too one day... our potential

God the Father created all things by and through Jesus Christ.

Without Jesus Christ **nothing was made.**

John 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

John 1:3 **All things were made by Him;** and without him was not anything made that was made.

John 1:10 He was in the world, and the **world was made by Him,** and the world knew Him not.

Ephesians 3:9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who **created all things** by Jesus Christ:

Colossians 1:16-17 For by Him [Jesus Christ] were **all things created,** that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him. And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist.

1Co 8:6 But to us there is but one God, the Father, of **whom are all things,** and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by **whom are all things,** and we by him.

Heb 1:1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

Heb 1:2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed **heir** of all things, by whom also **he made the worlds;**

God the Father created by and through Jesus Christ -> hands on

Heb 1:3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Hebrews 2:10 For it became him, for whom are all things, and **by whom are all things...**

Psalm 33:6 By the word of **the Lord** were the heavens **made**; and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.

Psalm 102:25 You **laid the foundation** of the earth: and the heavens are the work **of your hands**.

Hebrews 11:3 Through faith we understand that the **worlds were framed** by the word of God.

Psalm 146:6 [The Lord,] Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is...

Isaiah 45:12 [The Lord said,] I have **made the earth**, and **created man** upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.

Isaiah 45:18 For thus saith the LORD that **created the heavens**; God himself that **formed the earth and made it**; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else.

Jesus is the God of the Old Testament and the God of ancient Israel.

Coming out of Egyptian captivity:

Following the pillar of fire by night and the column of cloud by day.

1Corinthians 10:2 And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

1Corinthians 10:3 And did all eat the same spiritual meat;

1Corinthians 10:4 And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and **that Rock was Christ**. [The Anointed One]

Any time you see "Christ" think Messiah to come...because Jesus Christ is the promised Messiah

Though capable of sinning, Jesus lived a perfect, **sinless life**. He was crucified to pay for the sins of mankind.

We are incapable of paying for our sins.