

Joel 2:28-32

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I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions.

29 And also on My menservants and on My maidservants

I will pour out My Spirit in those days. 30 "And I will show

wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. 31 The sun shall be turned into darkness,

and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord. 32 And it shall come to pass that

whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the Lord has said, among the remnant whom the Lord calls.



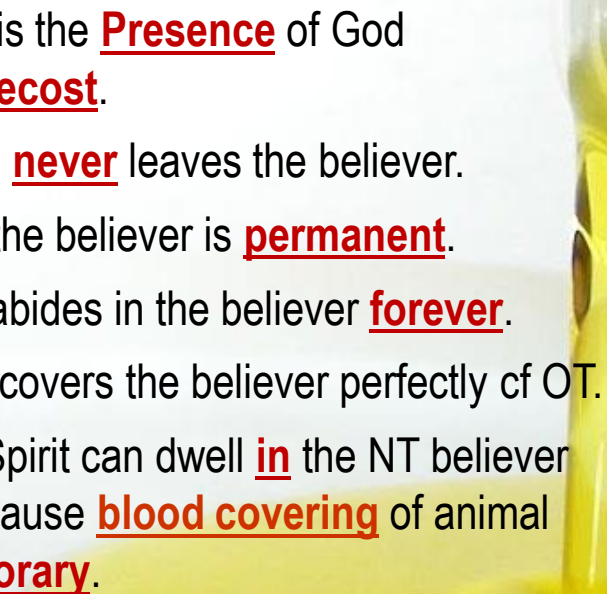
The Spirit-Empowered Church

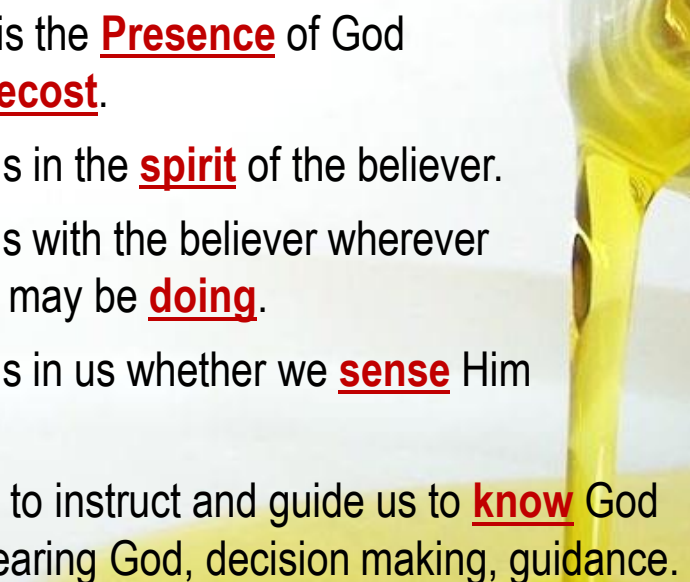
Understanding the Anointing

I. The Anointing In / Within

II. The Anointing On / Upon

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 - 1A. The Presence of God never leaves the believer.
 - 1B. The Anointing within the believer is permanent.
 - 1C. The anointing within abides in the believer forever.
 - 1D. The Blood of Jesus covers the believer perfectly cf OT.
 - 1E. That's why the Holy Spirit can dwell in the NT believer but not in the OT because blood covering of animal sacrifices were temporary.

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 - 2. The Presence of God is in the spirit of the believer.
 - 3. The Presence of God is with the believer wherever he is and whatever he may be doing.
 - 4. The Presence of God is in us whether we sense Him or otherwise.
 - 5. The Holy Spirit is in us to instruct and guide us to know God and walk with Him - hearing God, decision making, guidance.

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The Anointing On / Upon is also known as:

- A. **Ephesians 5:18** - the **infilling** of the Holy Spirit of Power.
- B. **Acts 1:5** - the **baptism** with the Holy Spirit.
- C. **Luke 24:49** - **Endued - Clothed** with power.
- D. **Acts 1:4** - The **Promise** of the Father.
- E. **Acts 1:8** - The Holy Spirit **on/upon** you.
- F. **Acts 2:4** - Being **filled** with the Holy Spirit.

- II. The Anointing **On / Upon** is the Power of God working in and through that believer.

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e.g. 1 - **Gideon**

Judges 6:34 But the Spirit of the LORD came **upon** Gideon; then he blew the trumpet, and the Abiezrites gathered behind him.

Empowered with Boldness-Courage!

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e.g. 2 - **Jephthah**

Judges 11:29 Then the Spirit of the LORD came **upon** Jephthah, and he passed through Gilead and Manasseh, and passed through Mizpah of Gilead; and from Mizpah of Gilead he advanced toward the people of Ammon.

Empowered with Leadership to War!

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e.g. 3 - **Samson**

Judges 15:14 When he came to Lehi, the Philistines came shouting against him. Then the Spirit of the Lord came mightily **upon** him; and the ropes that were on his arms became like flax that is burned with fire, and his bonds broke loose from his hands.

Empowered with Supernatural Strength!

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e.g. 4 - **King Saul**

1 Samuel 10:6 Then the Spirit of the LORD will come **upon** you, and you will prophesy with them and be turned into another man. **10** When they came there to the hill, there was a group of prophets to meet him; then the Spirit of God came **upon** him, and he prophesied among them.

Empowered to speak the oracles of God!

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Pentecost makes a difference in the Anointing On / Upon.

Instead of just coming upon a **few** men as in the OT, the Anointing On / Upon is now available to **all** believers.

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Acts 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come **upon** you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

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4. The Anointing On / Upon is the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon the believer to enable and empower the believer:

- A. for himself to live victoriously overcoming:
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Law of Sin &
Death



Law of Gravity

Law of the Mind



Law of the Will

Law of Spirit
of Life



Law of Aerodynamics

A. To live victoriously overcoming:

i. the power of sin.

Free from the sins of the past
guilt, strongholds, words spoken,
bad incident, molested,
mocked, bullied, theft,
adultery, fornication, ...

Free from the sins of the present
addiction to pornography,
gambling, temper, guilt, theft,
strongholds, adultery, fornication,
loose tongue ...

A. To live victoriously overcoming:

ii. the pull of the world (kosmos).

1 John 2:16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh,
the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father
but is of the world.

A. To live victoriously overcoming:

iii. the evil one.

Luke 10:19 Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Revelation 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

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2 Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

Romans 8:15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

A. To live victoriously overcoming:

iv. sickness and infirmities.

Romans 8:11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Proverbs 3:8 It [the Word] will be health to your flesh, and strength to your bones.

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B. to minister the grace of God to others.

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Acts 10:38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth
with the Holy Spirit and with power, who
 went about doing good and healing all who
 were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

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Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me,
 because He has anointed Me to preach
 the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal
the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to
the captives and recovery of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed ...

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1 Peter 4:10 As each one has received a gift,
minister it to one another, as good stewards
of the manifold grace of God.

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5. There are different anointing for believers to fulfill their specific assignments / ministries.

- A. A leadership anointing enables you to love and to provide direction.
- B. An administrative anointing produces order.
- C. A healing anointing releases health.

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5. There are **different** anointing for believers to fulfill their specific assignments / ministries.

D. A **psalmist** anointing unlocks worship.

E. A **wisdom** anointing eliminates uncertainty.

F. A **prophetic** anointing reveals the Will of God.

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G. An **evangelist** anointing releases the power of the Gospel to save.

H. A **teaching** anointing brings clarity of the Word of God.

I. A **pastoral / shepherding** anointing brings love, comfort and encouragement to the sheep.

Summary:

The Anointing In / Within, abides forever and is permanent regardless of whether the believer sense Him or not.

The Anointing On / Upon is not permanent.

We need to be continually filled with the Holy Spirit.



Ephesians 5:18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation;
but be filled with the Spirit ...

How to be Empowered by the Holy Spirit?

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1. The posture of **Obedience**.

✓ Do not **grieve** Him in dis-obedience.

Ephesians 4:30 And **do not grieve the Holy Spirit** of God,
by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

When do we grieve the Holy Spirit?

Ephesians 4:25-32 - 5:4:

Give Ground to the Evil One			
Corrupt Words	Sexual Sins		
Coarse Jestng	Continual Anger		
Idolater	Anger	Unkind	Covetous
Not Walking in Love		Unclean	Unforgiving
Selfish	Evil Speaking	Bitterness	Lazy
Malice	Steal	Stingy	Clamor
	Lie	Wrath	

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2. The posture of **flowing** with the Holy Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 5:19

Do not **quench** the Holy Spirit (NKJV)

Do not **put out** the Spirit's fire (NIV)



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3. The posture of **surrender**.

Ephesians 5:17-18

17 Therefore do **not be unwise**, but understand what **the will**
of the Lord is. 18 ... but **be filled with the Spirit** ...

Acknowledge and welcome His Presence
in every area of your life



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4. The posture of earnest seeking and paying the price for it.

John 7:37-39a

37 On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

38 He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." **39** But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive ...

Bottom Line:

Romans 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.