THE ANOINTING

Ex. 30:22-33

I'M USING THE ANOINTING OIL AS A PICTURE OF US AND HOW WE NEED THE ANOINTING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Tabernacle was complete, all the furniture was in order but without the oil it was just a tent. It was dead.

God gave Moses the instructions to making the oil that was used to anoint the articles in the Tabernacle. These instructions were precise, exact.

1. THE INGREDIENTS WERE PURE v. 23-

THEY HAD TO BE PRINCIPAL

The word "principal" means the best. Only the best would do when talking about the things of God.

THEY HAD TO BE PURE

God won't accept anything with a flaw. We can't hold on to sin and expect His anointing.

God will not use dirty vessel

THEY HAD TO BE PRECISE

Couldn't leave one ingredient out

Each of the ingredients came from a tree. A picture of Calvary.

Made olive oil and 4 spices

"myrrh" = very bitter gum from dwarf tree

We will face bitter times.

God sends bitter times that we might see our need of Him and His anointing.

Myrrh was bitter but it has a sweet fragrance

Our bitter times can be made sweet by the Holy Spirit.

"sweet cinnamon"

Cinnamon was hot. This is a picture of our zeal, desire, hunger for God.

Those who are satisfied where they are spiritually will never experience the anointing.

"calamus"

"calamus" means "to bow or stoop down"

Speaks of our humility in prayer and worship

Calamus is beaten in order to release fragrance. The more it is beaten the more fragrance comes out. "cassia"

This is made from bark. The bark is stripped off the tree. It's pulled from natural environment. This is a picture of separation

2. THE INSTRUCTIONS WERE PRECISE v.26-30

The entire tabernacle and everything in it was anointed. We have to give our all. We can't hold on to anything and still expect His anointing.

3. THE INFLUENCE WAS POWERFUL v. 29

"whatsoever toucheth them shall be made holy"

When the oil touched a piece of furniture, it was made holy.

But, when someone touched the furniture, THEY were made holy.

When we are anointed, there will be a difference in our lives.

4. THE INTEGRITY WAS PROTECTED v. 31-33

Integrity means to keep exactly as is. Moses was told to protect the oil and to never change the recipe

v. 31b "throughout your generations"

It was for future generations

Our problem is we've gotten away from doing it God's way and we're looking for something new

2 Ti 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

v. 32 "upon man's flesh it shall not be poured"

This oil wasn't for common use.

The things of God should never be handled in the energy of flesh

v. 32 "neither shall ye make any other like it"

It wasn't to be duplicated. No one could make their own batch of oil.

There is no substitute for the anointing.

v. 33 / not on strangers

One of the worse disgraces of the modern church is they try to grab someone out of the world and say they're going to serve God.

CONCLUSION

Everything in the Tabernacle could have been in it's exact place but it would have been worthless without the anointing