

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE OIL

“Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure olive OIL beaten for the light, to cause the lamps to burn continually. Without the veil of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the congregation, shall Aaron order it from the evening unto the morning before the Lord continually: it shall be a statute for ever in your generations. He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the Lord continually”; Lev. 24:2-4. The command to bring pure OIL was ordered from the “evening unto the morning”; the time span describing the “watches” of the Lord; Mark 13:35. Pure olive OIL is “beaten” for the light. Was not Jesus Christ, the “Light of the World”, beaten, crushed and offered as the Perfect Sacrifice; John 8:12? Those who heard His words were told “Ye are the light of the world”; Matt. 5:14. Is there not then a price to pay for the light of revelation knowledge, of intimacy with Me and the understanding of my ways? I said in my word that the OIL causes a man’s face to shine; Ps.104:15. Did not the skin of Moses’ face shine because he turned aside, heard My voice and came to Me on the mount? Moses stood before Me, he knew My ways; therefore, an illumination, an outshining of My glory essence was seen upon him; Exod. 34:28-35; Matt.17:1-3. I tell you, the people desire My signs, but few pay the price to know My ways. My miraculous acts are seen by those in the camp, but My ways are known by only a few; Ps. 103:7.

OIL is produced from the pressing, the beating of olive berries; Exod. 27:20. Gethsemane is the place of the “olive press”. If the disciple is not above his master, will he not also experience a “taste” of crushing, bruising, and death to the self-life; Luke 6:40? Shall not the Groom and the Bride drink from the same cup? The Lord’s disciple is repentant, “beaten small”, bringing him to the place of brokenness and humility. This necessary crushing, a “treading upon” the outer life, releases a substance of the spirit within. Is not the walk, and are not the steps of the feet of My beloved, consecrated and dipped in OIL; Deut. 33:24; Job 29:6? Moses was broken when he left that which was dear and familiar to him. Were not his resources, his reputation and self will crushed and beaten small? Was he not reduced to insignificance in a wilderness place, and stripped of all that made him great in the eyes of men? Was not Joseph subjected to the same? And what of Paul? Were they not vessels that I used to bring deliverance and light to countless others? Was not My forerunner, John, a “burning and a shining light”; John 5:35? Was he not full of the Holy Spirit, a container full of OIL, in whom I lit a fire prior to My appearing; Luke 1:15-17? I tell you, he feared no man, but God only! Mine are “emptied” before I can fill them. Shall not these things be so for those whom I fill with My OIL, who help to prepare the way of the Lord?

Will you not then shut the door behind you, and be alone with Me? Most will not ascend the mount, nor spend the time in My presence. They settle for secondhand knowledge of Me and that which I reveal. The people say “speak thou (Moses) with us, and we will hear, but let not God speak with us lest we die”; Exod. 20:19. I tell you, a Royal Priesthood ministers to Me; 1 Pet. 2:5,9. My way is in the sanctuary, the separated place; Ps. 77:13. The veil has been “rent”, and so I speak to them and they learn of My ways. And the OIL of the Spirit is released upon them in degrees: it is poured out, smeared on and rubbed in. Did I not say that the OIL reveals the distinction between the wise and foolish; Matt. 25:1-13? Wisdom is an attribute of the wise; it is “first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated. It is full of mercy and good fruits, without

partiality, without hypocrisy”; James 3:17. I said that My people should be continually filled with the Spirit; Eph. 5:18. Therefore, the wick of humanity must be trimmed daily and saturated with OIL to burn always; Exod. 27:20. I speak of the necessity of purity; OIL in the lamps is pure even as My wisdom is pure; Lev. 24:2. It is the pure in heart who will see God; Matthew 5:8. They are as ointment among the brethren; loving the others, keeping the unity of the faith; Psalm 133:1-3; Rev. 3:7-8. Their lives are as a “compound” after the “art of the apothecary”, OIL being a chief ingredient; Exod. 30:22-33. Holy anointing OIL contains substances of balanced weights of four various spices. The “myrrh” (Hebrew “bitter”) resin of suffering is bitter to the world’s taste, but produces an anointed life, a spontaneous flow, from a “cut in the tree”. It was used in making perfume and incense. “Sweet cinnamon” (Hebrew “fragrance”) is produced from the stripping of bark (tree’s outer covering); it improves the “flavor” of that which is bitter, with the breath being “made sweet” to prophesy; Ezekiel 37:4-12. “Calamus” (Hebrew “to stand upright”) as a “reed”; Luke 7:24, or branch (an extension of the “Vine”) is able to walk in a “high standard of uprightness”, even in “miry” places. Used as an ingredient in rich perfumes, it is a type of the fragrance of Christ. And the plant “cassia” (Hebrew “to stoop, bow down”), speaks of “humility”, as it grows at a high altitude. The “heavenly mindset”; Col. 3:1-2, releases a fragrance (even upon the garments), and is used as incense in worship. These ingredients which I have required are produced by crushing, piercing, stripping, grinding into powder, beating into small pieces; this makes them valuable. These qualities combined with the presence and power of the Spirit (OIL), reveals My own life, the substance of My ministry. This is the essence of those who lay down their lives and carry their cross; Matt. 10:38. These things are found in the garden of My Beloved; Song of Sol. 4:13-16. The holy anointing OIL is no cheap commodity, but a precious and costly substance. Those who put this upon a stranger, who fashion their own composition (a “false anointing”), are “cut off” from the people; Exod. 30:32-33; Matt. 24:50-51.

Do you understand the value that I place on the OIL? Seek Me now, that you may obtain! Cry out to Me and I shall fill you! It is only by the power and the anointing of the Holy Spirit that you are made ready! When the lamps of the foolish are “gone out”, they will go to the wise for OIL which they lack, but shall be told to “go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves”; Matt. 25:8-9. I have said “Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding”; Prov. 23:23. When the foolish say “Lord, Lord, open to us” on that day, I will tell them “I know you not” (you are a stranger to Me); Matt. 25:11-12. But there is OIL in the dwelling of the wise, a spiritual quality, which causes them to produce a fresh, steady, consistent light. They shall be ready for the Marriage when the Bridegroom appears. Their sacrifices and offerings are presented to Me with a “hin” (prescribed measure) of OIL; Ezek. 46:5,7,11. My illuminated ones shine as a light in a dark place, for in them the beauty of My holiness is seen. They carry the OIL of healing, of mercy, of restoration; Luke 10:34; James 5:14. I say to you: “What hast thou in the house?” Go, borrow “empty” vessels; go inside, shut the door behind you and your sons. Then “pour out” from your “pot of OIL” into all those vessels and “set aside that which is full”. The OIL shall not cease until every “empty” (willing, hungry) vessel is filled; 2 Kings 4:2-7; Matthew 5:6.

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