The Anointing-Navigating to Purpose meet JEALOUSY

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Main Scripture: 1 Samuel 10: 1, 17-25; 1 Samuel 15: 1-29; 1 Samuel 16: 1-23; 1 Samuel 17: 1-57;

1 Samuel 18: 1-16

Supporting Scripture: James 3: 16

Notes:

Israel wanted a king they could see and the Lord was king over Israel but what the Lord had in place Israel wanted to be like the other nations. Samuel, the prophet that was serving Israel is now being told to search out a man from the tribe of Benjamin and appoint him as ruler.

Samuels job now was to ensure that the king's authority wasn't abused and that the instructions from the Lord were followed.

It is good to know that God settles his accounts.

There is always someone who is standing for God, God is never left without an option. - This great God is so humble that he will share his feelings with those who are in a relationship with him. He can tell his servants how he feels about Canada or a particular family.

Here we have a man who is struggling with himself. Samuel tells us as he confronts Saul " Although you think little of yourself remember you are the leader"

Saul is now being faced by this rejection that is coming from the Lord because of how he treated the command of the Lord. He sows rejection and he is reaping rejection and now he has to live his life experiencing rejection. He pleads with Samuel and confesses after he said he obeyed the command of the Lord.

Look at the difference in the wording from God about Saul to Davie "Your King" versus "my King"

God has rejected Saul but he is still reigning as king and God is now making another choice even though Saul is still on the throne simply because Saul decided it is better to disobey God and appease the people, to be accepted by people but be rejected by God.

Many of us in our Christian walk have failed God, we have disobeyed him and not been loyal to his command and we don't even have the desire to straighten out our lives before God. We still

want to serve and be in the company of those in the assembly of the Lord but there is an issue. A sense of guilt and something is taking place and we know it.

It did not matter if Samuel had poured the oil on any of Jesse's sons other than David, we must understand that it is God that anoints his servants. When the oil was poured and anointed David, if he has anointed Abinadab it would only be oil touching him but as soon as it was aligned with the will of God then the Spirit of the Lord landed on David.

The anointing comes from the Lord, we can promote people but the anointing has to be released from God the Spirit of the Lord can not be bought or controlled or manipulated by men. God calls men and gives gifts to men and anoints men.

You can serve in an office and not have the anointing for it.

The spirit of the Lord is a shield around the believer's life like it was with Saul; it protects him and enables him to do as God would have him. The fact that he is struggling with being rejected and God chose another individual to be King God allows another spirit to trouble Saul.

Saul is no longer living under the spirit of the Lord and now a tormenting spirit (depression and fear) follows him.

The difference is in the anointing. A man who is experiencing rejection and is tormented and a man who is anointed plays the harp and Saul feels better.

God knows how to set events in place to position his servant to bring out his will.

David is jealous of God - he has a zeal for righteousness and for the will of God. - what God wants is what I want and it's what I want to protect.

God never gives us a battle that we are not prepared for. There is never a test that you are not prepared for.

This is a religious war. There is nothing that the enemy can do to an individual who is going out in the strength of the Lord. The enemy can do anything to anyone who goes out in their own strength but when you go out in the strength of the Lord there is no telling the type of victory you will have.

Let's put this story in perspective - there are people who are desirous of making the name of the Lord known on this earth. They don't carry selfish ambition, they are not seeking after titles and praises from men they just want to praise God.

The champion of the philistines goes against the anointed one and he is defeated.

David's success wasn't because of his ability but because the anointing was resting on him and because of that the anointing is promoting him.

Are we keeping an eye on an individual because we are jealous of what the Lord is doing in that person's life? Jealous because the lord uses him/her? Jealous because the Lord did not anoint you in the same way? Jealous because you have an opportunity to be used by the Lord and you were not diligent and now coldness has crept in. Your prayer life is destroyed and the praises that would leave your lips are no longer on your lips. You are in the assembly but cant feel the presence of the Lord. You look at your life of what it used to be and you see others progressing and someone is advancing and appreciated because they have given themselves to the Lord while you are distracted by the pleasures of this world. There is a man who is not career driven like you or not greedy as you are and so while you are seeking wealth he is comfortable doing the tasks that others have rejected. But you are advancing in this world in status and pride of Life and now someone is being used by the Lord and you are angry. It is a spirit of jealousy and it is demonic and from it comes every kind of evil. Jealousy will allow you to keep an eye on someone and it makes room for spirits of this world. and the thoughts that you had and the feelings that you have about that individual the demons of this world influence your mind and before you know it you are caught up in witchcraft.

There is nothing that man can do with a man or woman of God that God anoints.

There is something that God does that people are all smiles in the assembly but then thereafter the jealous spirit is turned on and they talk loudly about the church that their children hear and soon there is a generation that have no regard for the things of God.

There is no room for jealousy in the house of God.