

CHAPTER FIVE

In this chapter we will look at the sixth (6th) event that the angel Gabriel told Daniel would come to pass in the 70 weeks of years which were determined upon Daniel's people the house of Judah (the Jews) and upon the holy city and the temple.

Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people (the Jews of the house of Judah) and upon thy holy city (Jerusalem), to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and **TO ANOINT THE MOST HOLY.** [Daniel 9:24]

TO ANOINT THE MOST HOLY

In the Old Testament we have prophecy through types and shadows of things to come (Col.2:17; Heb.8:5; & 10:1). In terms of the anointing of that future great High Priest, the most Holy of Israel, we find a shadow of that event in Leviticus 16:32:

And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall consecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen clothes, the holy garments: 33 And he shall make an atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make an atonement for the tabernacle of the congregation, and for the altar, and he shall make an atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.

And in 1Sa. 2:35:

And I will raise me up a faithful priest, *who* shall do according to *that* which *is* in mine heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed for ever.

Our Lord Jesus Christ is clearly set forth as the anointed King of kings in the messianic Psalm:

1. Why do the heathen rage and the people imagine a vain thing? 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against YHWH, *saying*, 3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. 4 He that sits in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. 5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. 6 Yet have I (YHWH) set my king (Jesus) upon my holy hill of Zion (the new Zion). 7. I will declare the decree: YHWH has said unto me, Thou *art* my Son; this

(resurrection) day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give *thee* the heathen *for* thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth *for* thy possession. 9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel. 10. Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. 11 Serve YHWH with fear, and rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish *from* the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed *are* all they that put their trust in him. [Psalms 2:1-12]

This prophecy was fulfilled by the Jews and the Romans at the time of the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ as declared in unison by His disciples as recorded in:

Who by the mouth of thy servant David has said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things? 26 The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ. 27 For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou has anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Nations/Gentiles, and the people of Israel were gathered together 28 for to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done. [Acts 4:25-28]

His position as head of many companions (fellow-heirs) is made evident by the Psalmist in:

Thy throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom *is* a right sceptre. 7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. [Psalms 45:6]

And this position is confirmed and declared fulfilled by the apostle:

Thou has loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, *even* thy God, has anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. [Hebrews 1:9]

And again in:

The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17. And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together. [Romans 8:16, cf. Gen 49:10, et al.]

From the above references we see that we have set before us the Holy One of God, the Messiah, the Anointed of God, the Christ who was appointed and anointed to accomplish the great work of redemption and salvation. This He has accomplished by the sacrifice of Himself, His resurrection, ascension, and Parousia.

But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come,...12...by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. [Hebrews 9:11]

But this was not all that He was anointed to do for the prophet declares:

1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon me; because **the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings** 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; 2 To proclaim **the acceptable year of YHWH**, and **the day of vengeance of our God**; to comfort all that mourn; 3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified. [Isaiah 61:1-3]

And our blessed Lord confirms this as we find recorded in Luke 4:17-21:

17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, **The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me 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, 19 **To preach the acceptable year of the Lord**. 20 And he closed the book, and he gave *it* again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. 21 And he began to say unto them, **this day this scripture is fulfilled in your ears**.

Thus, we see the scope of His earthly ministry for 3 1/2 years before He was "cut off for His people" as Daniel prophesied hundreds of years earlier (Daniel 9:26).

All of the four Gospels set forth in detail:

How **God anointed Jesus of Nazareth** with the Holy Spirit and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the malicious slanderer; for God was with Him. (Acts 10:38)

Another aspect of **His anointing** is explained in:

And...there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of **SPIKENARD** very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on His head...6 And Jesus said Let her alone;...she hath wrought a good work on me... 8 She has done what she could: she is come aforehand **to anoint my body** to the burying. [Mark 14:3]

As explained by Marvin Byers in his interesting book Six Days And A Day:

...**SPIKENARD** is a symbol of JOY, consider the bride's declaration: "While the king sits at his table, my **SPIKENARD** sends forth the smell thereof" (Song of S. 1:12). While the King is eating from the table His bride has prepared for Him, the fragrance of **SPIKENARD** fills the house. A record that this literally happened is found in the New Testament. The Apostle John tells us that Mary, Martha, and Lazarus hosted a supper for the Lord. While He was sitting at the table, Mary anointed the Lord with **SPIKENARD**, and "the house was filled with the odour of the ointment" (Fourth gospel 12:3). When one

of Jesus' disciples was disturbed by this seeming waste, "Then said Jesus, Let her alone: against the day of my burying she has kept this". [Fourth gospel 12:7]

Why was the Lord anointed for His death with spikenard, a symbol of **JOY**? Once again let's remember that the natural realm reveals spiritual truths. The Father anointed His Son with the **OIL OF JOY**:

"You love righteousness, and hate wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the **OIL OF JOY**. [Ps.45:7]

Therefore, Mary's simple act of love in the natural; was a revelation of what the Father was doing in the spiritual realm. Jesus needed to be anointed with the **OIL OF JOY** before His suffering and death because **JOY** gives us strength [Neh.8:10]. Because of "the **JOY** set before Him," He was able to endure the cross [Heb. 12:2]. Jesus' presence also brought the fullness of **JOY** to Mary [Ps. 16:11b]. Her natural house was filled with the fragrance of that SPIKENARD, just as her spiritual house was filled with the **JOY** she had found in His presence. (emphasis added)

After His death and burial God:

raised him from the dead, and sets *Him* at his own right hand in the heavens, 21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that *age* which is to come: 22 And puts all things under his feet, and gives him *to be* the head over all to the congregation 23 which is his body, the fulness of him that FILLETH ALL in all. [Ephesians 1:20]

Thus we see that:

...God also has highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* on earth, and *things* under the earth; 11 And every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father. [Philippians 2:9]

The expression **TO ANOINT THE MOST HOLY** also means that by the virtue of the shedding of His blood and His resurrection, and His glorification at the right of the Father in heaven; **He was to anoint the most holy place in heaven with His precious blood and turn the throne of judgment into a throne of grace for His people as stated in Hebrews 9:22-28, emphasis added:**

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and **without shedding of blood is no remission**. 23. *It was* therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. 24 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, *which are* the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: 25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest enters into the holy place every year with blood of others;

26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but *now once in the end of the age he has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.* 27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: 28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall **He appear the second time without sin unto salvation.**

As wondrous as all the above is, it is by no means all that this phrase includes. It also includes that by virtue of all else that He has accomplished, **He was also anointed** to send out His disciples with the **GIFT** and **POWER** of the Holy Spirit:

...as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you...Receive ye the Holy Spirit:
[Fourth Gospel.20:21-22]

This Jesus *whom* God has raised up, whereof we all are witnesses; 33 therefore, being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.
[Acts 2:32]

That is, He anointed all of His blood-bought and blood-washed brothers and sisters as He exclaimed that He would:

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter that he may abide with you for ever; 17 *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it sees him not, neither knows him: but ye know him; for he dwells with you, and shall be in you. [Fourth Gospel 14:16]

From the Fourth Gospel, chapters 14 - 20 we learn of the promise and the fulfillment of that promise of the ministry and work of the **INDWELLING HOLY SPIRIT**. Surely a great blessing has the Father bestowed on us through His Christ, an anointing from the MOST HOLY ONE through HIS Holy One upon His holy ones (all believers in Yahshua). Thus, the believer becomes the "home" of the Spirit.

And what agreement has **the temple of God** with idols? For **ye are the temple of the living God**; as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. [2 Corinthians 6:16]

Above, the Apostle Paul records the fulfillment of the prophecy given in Ezekiel 37:26c:

I will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. 27 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Great and wondrous as this is -- there is even more, for the disciple records:

But the anointing which ye have received of him abides in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teaches you of all things,

and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it has taught you, ye shall abide in him.
(Fourth Gospel 2:27)

The underlined portion in the Scripture above records the marvelous "whereof" of the fulfillment of the prophecy found in Jeremiah 31:33:

But this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; *After those days*, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; ®)1⁻ and will be their God®)3⁻, and they shall teach *no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, know the Lord: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord:* for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

And as the Apostle Paul attests in 2 Corinthians 1:21:

Now He which establishes us with you in Christ, and anoints us, *is* God; 22 Who also seals us, and gives the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

To the first century apostles this meant that they have the Holy Spirit not only as their anointing but also as their indwelling personal teacher guiding them carefully into the truth who is Christ (Fourth Gospel 14:6) that they may abide in Him even as Jesus Christ promised in John 16:13:

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. 14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew [it] unto you. 15 All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew [it] unto you.

The Holy Spirit will perform all this in us through the Scriptures as we trust Him and allow Him to teach us of Christ. He will take the things of Christ and reveal them unto us; He will take of the riches of Christ and make them our's; He will surely show us the deep things of God even as the Apostle Paul states in 1 Corinthians 2:9:

But as it is written; Eye not seeing, nor ear hearing, neither enters into the heart of man the things which God prepares for them that love him. 10 But God reveals *them* unto us (first century apostles) by his Spirit: for the Spirit searches all things, yea, the deep things of God.

Today, the Holy Spirit reveals these things to us by the Scriptures written by the first century apostles.

We may ask, what were some of these riches of Christ and deep things of God which were revealed unto first century Christians by the Holy Spirit who was their anointing?

Could they be election?

Knowing, beloved brethren, your election of God... [1Thessalonians 1:4]

Conviction of their need for Christ?

Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 Of sin, because they believe not on me; 10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; 11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. John 16:7.

Grant of repentance, unto the acknowledgment of the truth?

In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; [2Timothy 2:25]

When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, then has God also to the Nations/Gentiles granted repentance unto life. [Acts 11:18]

Faith of God's elect?

8 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; [Titus 1:1]

For by grace ye are saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast. 10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God has before ordained that we should walk in them. [Ephesians 2:8-10]

And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he was come, helped them much which had believed through grace: [Acts 18:27]

Salvation and holy calling in Christ?

Who saves us (in the first century), and calls *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which *He* gives us in Christ Jesus before the eternal times, [2Timothy 1:9]

Predetermination to be conformed to the image of Christ?

For whom he did foreknow, He also did predetermine *to be* conformed to the image of his Son, that He might **be the firstborn** among many *new born* brethren. [Romans 8:29]

Change to the same image from glory to glory?

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are *being* changed into the same image from glory to glory, by the Spirit of the Lord. [2Corinthians 3:18]

Adoption?

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but [®]ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. [Romans 8:14]

Heirship?

The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17. And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, **that we may be also glorified together**. [Romans 8:16]

Revelation of Christ?

But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called *me* by his grace, 16 To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the Nations; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood: [Galatians 1:15-16]

Reception of His divine nature, love, grace, holiness?

Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped **the corruption that is in the world through lust**. [2Peter 1:4]

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. [Romans 5:5]

By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. [Romans 5:2]

Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. [Philemon 1:3]

According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: [Ephesians 1:4]

Participation in His Divine mercy?

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but **according to his mercy he saves us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Spirit;** [Titus 3:5]

His constant and continual presence with us?

Let your manner of life be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he has said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. [Hebrews 13:5]

Consolation and hope?

of his counsel, confirmed *it* by an oath: 18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was* impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon **the hope** set before us: 19 Which we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability and steadfast, and which enters into that within the veil; [Hebrews 6:17]

Sanctification in Christ Jesus?

Unto the congregation of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called *to be* saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours: 1Corinthians 1:2

Recipient of His faithfulness?

Faithful *is* he that calls you, who also will do *it*. [1Thessalonians 5:24]

Place of acceptance?

And raises *us* up together, and makes *us* sit together in heaven in Christ Jesus: 7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in *His* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. [Ephesians 2:6]

Unveiling as the sons of God?

For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the **glory which shall be revealed in us**. 19 For the earnest expectation of the creation (the Mosaic Marriage Covenant world) waits for the manifestation (unveiling) of the sons of God. [Romans 8:18]

The Holy Spirit as our anointing reveals unto us the glorious things of Christ in that in the resurrection:

“We (first century people) shall be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and **the dead shall be raised incorruptible**, and we (first century people) shall be changed; for this corruptible (dead body) must put on **incorruption** and this mortal (living person) *must* put on **immortality**. [1Corinthians 15:52]

For our citizenship is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: 21 Who shall change our vile body, **that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body**, according to the working whereby He is able to subdue all things unto Himself. [Philippians 3:20-21, emphasis added. See also 1Cor 15:49]

The greatest thing revealed unto us is the **EXALTING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST** now and forever:

After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; 10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sits upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. 11 And all the angels stood round about the throne (of the Father), and the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne (of the Father) on their faces, and worshipped God, 12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, unto our God for ever and ever. Amen. [Revelation 7:9-12]

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