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**INTRODUCTION**

We are looking at the **life of our LORD** and **SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, WHO**, by the way, is to be our **EXAMPLE for life as BELIEVERS** according to the **SCRIPTURES!**

*Psalm 85:13—“Righteousness shall go before him; And shall set us in the way of his steps.”*

*1 John 2:6, says “He that saith he abideth in him [JESUS] ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.”*

*1 Corinthians 11:1— “Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.”*

*1 Peter 2:21—“For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:”*

So, we have been looking to see **WHAT JESUS DID** so that we have some idea of what we should be and do if we are to be **DOING WHAT JESUS DID!** And so that is the title of this series of messages.

Thus far we have seen that **JESUS GREW, JESUS WAS OBEDIENT IN BAPTISM, and JESUS RESISTED TEMPTATION!**

Now we move into the area of **JESUS’ MINISTRY**, but before we actually get into the specifics of **JESUS’ MINISTRY** (*i.e. What HE did*), I want us to look at a very important aspect of **JESUS’ LIFE** that was necessary for **HIM** to minister the way that **HE** did—**JESUS WALKED IN THE SPIRIT!**

**IA. JESUS’ BIRTH WAS BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD!**

*Luke 1:35— “And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.”*

*Matthew 1:20—“Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.”*

**IB. WE BELIEVERS ARE BORN AGAIN BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD!**

**JESUS** told **NICODEMUS** in *John 3:5* that if he wasn’t born of the **SPIRIT**, he couldn’t see the kingdom of **GOD!**

*John 3:6— “That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.”*

That’s why **JESUS** told him “...*Ye must be born again!*”

*Titus 3:5–6—“5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; 6 Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;”*

*John 1:12–13—“But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.*

**IIA. JESUS WAS ANOINTED BY GOD WITH THE HOLY GHOST!**

The titles “**MESSIAH**” and “**CHRIST**” both mean “**ANOINTED ONE!**”

**MESSIAH** is called the **LORD’S ANOINTED** by the **PSALMIST**: *Psalm 2:2—“The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD, and against his anointed...”*

**This is acknowledged in another prophetic PSALM.**

*Psalm 45:7—Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: Therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee With the oil of gladness above thy fellows.*

*The writer of HEBREWS acknowledged that verse was speaking about JESUS in HEBREWS 1:9!*

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This was also **PROPHESED** in *Isaiah 42:1*— “Behold my servant, whom I uphold; Mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; **I have put my spirit upon him: He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.**”

This was **PICTURED** at **JESUS’ BAPTISM** when “*the HOLY GHOST descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon HIM.*” (*Luke 3:22*) As well as the voice of the Father from heaven!

This was **PROVEN** as **JESUS** began **HIS MINISTRY!**  
(*Luke 4:14*)

**JESUS’ ANOINTING** was acknowledged by the **CHURCH** at **JERUSALEM** in their prayer after **PETER** and **JOHN** were threatened and then released by the council;  
*Acts 4:27*— “For of a truth against thy holy child **Jesus, whom thou hast anointed**, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,”

**JESUS’ ANOINTING** was confirmed by **PETER** to **Cornelius:**  
*Acts 10:38*— “How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.”

**IIB. WE BELIEVERS ARE ANOINTED BY GOD WITH THE HOLY GHOST!**

**JESUS** told **HIS DISCIPLES** to tarry in **JERUSALEM** and wait on this **ANOINTING!** (*Acts 1:4-5, 8*)  
*Luke 24:49*— “And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

The **APOSTLE PAUL** acknowledged this anointing:  
*2 Corinthians 1:21–22*— “Now **he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God;** 22 *Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.*”

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The **APOSTLE JOHN** acknowledged our anointing:  
*1 John 2:20*— “But ye have an unction from the Holy One...”

*1 John 2:27*— “But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you,

**IIIA. JESUS WALKED IN THE SPIRIT BECAUSE OF WHO HE IS! HE** was and is the **SON OF GOD** or **GOD THE SON!**

It has to do with **HIS FAMILY** association as being the **ONLY BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD** in the flesh!

Think of all the many declarations of **JESUS** and **HIS** relationship with **HIS HEAVENLY FATHER** that we have seen in our Sunday Morning series on the **GOSPEL OF JOHN!**

**HE** said that **GOD** was **HIS HEAVENLY FATHER!**  
**HE** said that **HE** came from **HIS FATHER** in **HEAVEN** where **HE** had been before **HE** came to earth!  
**HE** said that **HE** was sent by **HIS FATHER!**  
**HE** said that **HE** came to do **HIS FATHER’S** will!  
**HE** said that **HE** and **HIS FATHER** were **ONE!**  
**ALL** of these things and more pointed to **WHO HE** is!

**IIIB. WE BELIEVERS ARE TO WALK IN THE SPIRIT BECAUSE OF WHO WE ARE (OR WHOSE WE ARE)! (*Romans 8:1-17*)**

It has to do with **OUR FAMILY** association as being the **SONS OF GOD, HEIRS OF GOD, and JOINT-HEIRS WITH CHRIST!**

*Galatians 4:6*— “And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, *Abba, Father.*”

*Galatians 5:16*— “This I say then, **Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.**”

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*Galatians 5:25–“If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.”*

**IVA. JESUS WALKED BEING FULL OF THE HOLY GHOST OR HOLY SPIRIT! ( Luke 4:1, 14; Cf. Isaiah 61:1-2)**

*Isaiah 11:1-2–“1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots: 2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and might, The spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;”*

**John the Baptist said this of Jesus:**

*John 3:34–“For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.”*

**IVB. WE ARE TO WALK BEING FULL OF THE HOLY GHOST OR HOLY SPIRIT! (Ephesians 5:15-18)**

*Galatians 5:22–23– “22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.”*

**Conclusion**

**So let’s review real quick what we learn from what JESUS did:**

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*WE BELIEVERS ARE ANOINTED BY GOD WITH THE HOLY GHOST!*

*WE BELIEVERS ARE TO WALK IN THE SPIRIT BECAUSE OF WHO WE ARE (OR WHOSE WE ARE)!*

*WE ARE TO WALK BEING FULL OF THE HOLY GHOST OR HOLY SPIRIT!*