

Freely You Have Received - Freely Give

The Spirit of the LORD is upon me

Luk 4:16-21 ESV And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. 17 And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, 18 "The **Spirit of the Lord** is upon me, **because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor**. He has sent me to proclaim **liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed**, 19 to **proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.**" 20 And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. 21 And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

- We live in a broken world (poverty, addiction, blindness (spiritual and physical), oppression)
- The answer for the suffering in the world is the Spirit of the LORD - an ANOINTING
- Anointing - is God's power over human flesh to do what only God can do

Yes this was the ministry of Jesus - BUT he extended it to His disciples

Mat 10:5-8 ESV These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, 6 but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 And proclaim **as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'** 8 **Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons.** You received without paying; give without pay.

- Freely you have received - freely give
 - Imagine their excitement and joy - Luk 10:17 ESV The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!"
- What is it that we have received from the LORD - What are we doing with **His Anointing?**

Freely You Have Received, Freely Give - from Jesus to the 120 to the Gentiles to us

Act 10:37-48 ESV 37 you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: 38 how **God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power**. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39 And **we are witnesses** [Acts 1:8 you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you shall be my witnesses] of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, 40 but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 And **he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify** that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. 43 To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." 44 While Peter was still saying these things, **the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word**. 45 And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. 46 For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, 47 "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" 48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

- Jesus was Anointed, the Disciples were Anointed, now Cornelius is Anointed
- What have you been given? As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you
- In the last days I will pour out of my spirit upon all flesh...the world needs Spirit filled people