

David pt2 – From Anointing To Appointing

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[1Sa 16:1, 6-13 NASB95] 1 Now the LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have selected a king for Myself among his sons." ... 6 When they entered, he looked at Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD'S anointed is before Him." 7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for God [sees] not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." 8 Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either." 9 Next Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either." 10 Thus Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. But Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these." 11 And Samuel said to Jesse, "Are these all the children?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, and behold, he is tending the sheep." Then Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." 12 So he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, with beautiful eyes and a handsome appearance. And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him; for this is he." 13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. And Samuel arose and went to Ramah.

[2Sa 5:1-5 NASB95] 1 Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "Behold, we are your bone and your flesh. 2 "Previously, when Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel out and in. And the LORD said to you, 'You will shepherd My people Israel, and you will be a ruler over Israel.'" 3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them before the LORD at Hebron; then they anointed David king over Israel. 4 David was thirty years old when he became king, [and] he reigned forty years. 5 At Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty-three years over all Israel and Judah.

- We hate waiting for something that is already ours.
 - Old days: photo, film, dark room, then picture. Nowadays: instant picture.
 - Old days: order an ad on TV, pay for it, 6 to 8 weeks. Nowadays: Next-day shipping.
- David was secretly anointed king at about age 10 to 15. He was publicly appointed king (and publicly anointed) at age 30 for Judah and about age 38 for all of Israel.
- It was about 23 to 28 years between the anointing and the appointing.
- Jesus was there for 30 years before ministry. Paul was three years, then 14 years between conversion to ministry.
- My life: youth pastor VCC, pastor Clinton, pastor ENC. There is a period between the calling and the activating.

What do you do between “it’s yours” by anointing and “it’s yours by appointing?”

Here is a brief summary of three main things to do between the anointing and the appointing.

I. God wants you to sit with the sheep.

- a. The best we can tell is that David went back to the sheep from the feast, where he was anointed by the Prophet Samuel.
- b. Sheep was his current assignment. It was not time to leave the sheep.
- c. Could put this point anywhere: [Act 13:22 NASB95] 22 "After He had removed him, He raised up David to be their king, concerning whom He also testified and said, 'I HAVE FOUND DAVID the son of Jesse, A MAN AFTER MY HEART, who will do all My will.'

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- i. Do what I want them to do.
- ii. We want God to anoint our things. He is not obligated to anoint our things.
- d. Stay faithful where you are while you are on your way to where you are going.

II. God wants you to serve others.

- a. David would continue to serve Jesse (who left him out of the party) and Saul (whom he would replace and who tried to kill him.)
- b. [Mar 9:35 NASB95] 35 Sitting down, He called the twelve and said to them, "If anyone wants to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all."
- c. Serving makes you fit for leading. A mop in your hand will allow the mic not to slip out.
- d. In your serving of others, your character is built. You will learn not to use power OVER people but FOR people.
- e. The character you develop when you serve people will serve you. Talent and skill will get you there. Character will keep you there.
- f. Serving teaches you to die to self. David could have been better, but he elevated others, including Mephibosheth and Solomon.

III. God wants you to sing to Him.

- a. David stayed in a place of worship and focused upon the LORD.
- b. [Psa 63:1-3 NASB95] 1 A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah. O God, You are my God; I shall seek You earnestly; My soul thirsts for You, my flesh yearns for You, In a dry and weary land where there is no water. 2 Thus I have seen You in the sanctuary, To see Your power and Your glory. 3 Because Your lovingkindness is better than life, My lips will praise You.
- c. Being marked by God is better than being marketed by man. Christine Caine.
- d. His Presence insulates you from the effect of the spotlight, fame, success, and money.
- e. It's in His Presence that you will battle the doubt. The closer I stay to Him, the more my confidence in His ability to get me to it grows.

- **God wants you to stay with your assignment, serve others, and sing to Him in worship while you wait to be appointed to where you are anointed to be.**