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## Summary

Join Pastor Jaime Gonzalez as he distinguishes between a lifeless, religious form of Christianity and the genuine, power-filled life available through the Holy Spirit and His anointing. Drawing from creation, the life of David, and Paul's letter to the Philippians, he teaches that the Holy Spirit has always been the active power behind everything God does — and that same power lives inside every believer today. He challenges the church to stop making excuses, renew their minds through the Word, develop their character, and lean on the anointing to bring real, practical "better" into every area of their lives — including health, family, work, and spiritual warfare.

## Top Points

- **Religion vs. Relationship** — There is a dangerous "form of godliness" in the church that looks holy but has no real power. The difference is between knowing *about* Jesus and truly *knowing* Jesus.
- **Jesus vs. Jesus Christ** — "Jesus" is the man; "Jesus Christ" is the anointed one with His anointing. The Christ part — the anointing — is what believers actually need.
- **The Holy Spirit Has Always Been Active** — From creation (hovering over the waters) through the Old Testament, the life of Christ, the resurrection, and the early church, the Holy Spirit has never taken a vacation. He is just as present and active today.
- **The Anointing Empowers, Separates, and Promotes** — As seen in David's life, the anointing equips believers to excel in their calling — whether in the workplace, in ministry, in sports, or in daily life. It gives platforms and opens doors.

- **Music Carries a Spirit — For Good or Evil** — Just as David's anointed music drove away the evil spirit tormenting Saul, music without God's anointing can open doors to darkness. Parents must be intentional about what they allow their families to hear.
- **The Anointing Does NOT Renew Your Mind or Develop Your Character** — Those are the believer's responsibility. Many ministers have been powerfully anointed publicly yet defeated privately because they neglected the Word and character development. "When the anointing lifts, it's your character that will sustain you."
- **Philippians 4:13 Is Not a Cute Quote — It's a Reality** — "I can do all things through Christ and His anointing" means believers have no excuse. The Holy Spirit is an ever-present Helper for every practical challenge — health, habits, relationships, and more.
- **No Excuses in Heaven** — When we stand before God, every excuse will be erased by the fact that He gave us Jesus, the anointing, and the Holy Spirit. The time to act on that truth is now.

## Quotations

1. *"You can have Jesus, or you can have Jesus the Christ — Jesus Christ. I'd rather have Jesus Christ."*
2. *"Religion is Jesus — no Christ, no anointing. There's Jesus, the picture on the wall, the crucifix on the wall... It's a form, but no reality, no power."*
3. *"My Jesus is not that figure on a wall. My Jesus is the person inside of me."*
4. *"Know him — not know about him. Know him. Big old difference."*
5. *"The anointing is what should separate you. The anointing is what should promote you."*
6. *"If the anointing on music can dispel evil spirits, what do you think anti-anointing — music outside of God — will do to evil spirits? It works both ways, people."*
7. *"The anointing doesn't renew your mind. That's your responsibility to get in the Word of God. The anointing doesn't develop your character."*
8. *"When the anointing lifts, it's your character that will sustain you."*
9. *"God is not wanting perfection — He's wanting your heart."*
10. *"The Holy Spirit has not been on vacation since the early church. He's been on the earth in the body of Christ, willing, wanting, desiring to be your strength, your helper, your guide, your coach."*
11. *"When we get to heaven, one thing you will not have is an excuse. God is going to say, 'I gave you Jesus.' And when He gave you Jesus, He gave you the answer. He gave you the anointing. He gave you better."*
12. *"He doesn't do it for me. You have to make the decision and then make a decision to trust and be intentional that God is with you. He's an ever-present help."*