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Summary

Youth Pastor Joshua Andrade challenges believers to move beyond a passive, once-a-week faith and embrace their identity as ministers of the Holy Spirit in every area of daily life. Using 2 Corinthians 2:14 as the anchor, he unpacks what it means to carry and release the "fragrance of heaven" — not through titles, platforms, or performance, but through presence, compassion, and trust in God's triumph.

Top Points

1. **"Better" is a way of living, not a collection of things.** The church's yearly theme of "better" isn't primarily about possessions or success — it's about how believers carry themselves at home, at work, in relationships, and in ordinary daily moments.
2. **Every believer carries the fragrance of heaven.** Just as a natural fragrance clings to a person and is noticed without explanation, the Holy Spirit inside every believer should be perceptible to the people around them — not through religious performance, but through genuine presence.
3. **You are already a minister.** Ministry isn't reserved for pastors, missionaries, or platform leaders. Every believer has been given the Holy Spirit and is called right now — to their family, workplace, neighborhood, and community.
4. **Fear has a fragrance too — and it isn't from God.** Releasing worry, panic, and anxiety into the atmosphere does not represent the kingdom. God has given believers a spirit of

power, love, and a sound mind. The question is whether our response to pressure will be worry or worship.

5. **Three practical keys to releasing the kingdom: rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in everything.** These aren't suggestions — they are a posture of spiritual readiness that keeps believers aware, dependent on God, and available to be used wherever they are.
6. **Presence changes atmospheres.** The testimony of the school district event illustrated that believers don't always need to preach — simply being full of the Spirit and serving with excellence can transform an environment from hostility to peace.
7. **Protect your family by releasing heaven over them.** Parents have a direct assignment to diffuse the kingdom of God over their children and households, actively guarding against the darkness pressing in.

Quotations

- *Your better is not the things that you get or the places you get to go. Your better is the way of living when you go to those places."*
- *"If you really trust in God, would your reaction to something that might not be right be one of worry — or would it be: it's okay, God's got this. He's always had it before. He's got me now and He'll continue to have me."*
- *"You have been given the fragrance of the kingdom of God. It is in you. And it should be filling the room."*
- *"There is no pressure in existing. There's only a pressure to perform. When you remove the pressure of performing, you can allow the essence of who you are — and who's in you — to just flow."*
- *"Fear has a fragrance. The spirit of death is in fear. And when you allow fear in your life, you are allowing death to travel with it."*
- *"You are all ministers of the Holy Spirit. All of you. If you believe in Jesus, you've been given the ministry of the Holy Spirit. And all you have to do is release the Holy Spirit."*
- *"Your ministry right now for a lot of you is your family. That is a guaranteed ministry that you have right now."*
- *"Sometimes you don't even have to say a word. You just need to be kingdomly present in darkness."*
- *"We cannot go day by day just existing. We cannot go day by day just trying to live a good life. We got to move way past that."*
- *"Be anointed, be chosen, and be willing to accept the calling to release the fragrance of heaven on earth."*