THE KING'S CHAMBER

I want to ask you this morning – what would happen in your family, this community, and this region if the strength of His presence moved beyond these church walls?

People would begin to encounter the manifest presence of God and sense a strong awareness of God that would reveal their sinfulness and their great need for a Savior!

This morning I want to share the journey from the anointing to the glory

1 Peter 1:13-16 AMP So brace up your minds; be sober (circumspect, morally alert); set your hope wholly *and* unchangeably on the grace (divine favor) that is coming to you when Jesus Christ (the Messiah) is revealed.

¹⁴ [Live] as children of obedience [to God]; do not conform yourselves to the evil desires [that governed you] in your former ignorance [when you did not know the requirements of the Gospel].

¹⁵ But as the One Who called you is holy, you yourselves also be holy in all your conduct *and* manner of living.

¹⁶ For it is written, You shall be holy, for I am holy.

Ephesians 5:27 AMP That He might present the church to Himself in glorious splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such things [that she might be holy and faultless].

We, as a church, better understand we should be living our lives in preparation for Jesus, our Groom. He is all about preparing His pure, hold, and spotless bride for His chamber

Church, when the anointing of God rests upon someone, it makes everything flow better.

I would say one of the clearest pictures of this in the Bible is when Esther prepared to meet the king and the purification lasted a year and she repeatedly soaked in fragrant anointing oil.

Think about that, one year in preparation for one night with the king

I'm sure many thought Esther sure smells good, but she only pursued the approval of one

The purpose of the anointing is not to make people like you, but to make the King like you

It is always more important to have the King's approval than man's approval

David was anointed by God long before he was crowned by the people

The anointing is powerful, it breaks the yoke of oppression, but that's only the byproduct

I like to wear cologne for my wife, the by-product of that is I smell good to everyone, but my purpose of the cologne and the approval of that cologne is for her, not them

The real purpose of the anointing is not to make us sound good, look good to man, that's the by-product. The real purpose, like Esther's anointing, is to give us favor in the King's chamber!

Esther 4:13-17 NKJV And Mordecai told *them* to answer Esther: "Do not think in your heart that you will escape in the king's palace any more than all the other Jews. ¹⁴ For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for *such* a time as this?"

¹⁵ Then Esther told *them* to reply to Mordecai: ¹⁶ "Go, gather all the Jews who are present in ^[a]Shushan, and fast for me; neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day. My maids and I will fast likewise. And so I will go to the king, which *is* against the law; and if I perish, I perish!"

¹⁷ So Mordecai went his way and did according to all that Esther commanded ^[b]him.

The anointing prepared her for her encounter with the king

The anointing makes everything better, but if we only worship and dance in front of the veil of God's presence, we've missed the whole purpose that was to prepare us to enter in to the Holy of Holies beyond the veil

Did you know the holy anointing oil was literally rubbed on everything in the holy place, even the garments of the priests. Then they took powdered perfume to anoint the very atmosphere

Lev 16:12-13 AMP He shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from off the [bronze] altar before the Lord, and his two hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring it within the veil [into the Holy of Holies],

¹³ And put the incense on the fire [in the censer] before the Lord, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon [the ark of] the Testimony, lest he die.

Why? The priest had to make enough smoke to camouflage or conceal his flest from God's presence

The anointing speaks of the action of man in worship. It was anointed worship that filled the Holy of Holies with smoke which made it possible to stand in God's presence and live

There was so much smoke everything the priest did in the Holy of Holies had to be done by touch and not by sight – which brings a whole new meaning to

2 Cor 5:7 NKJV For we walk by faith, not by sight.

But are we like the children of Israel who would rather dance around the veil and refuse to go in?

Moses' face would shine from the glory of God which symbolized God's acceptance on his leadership

Now, because of Jesus, the veil was divided and we have been given access into His glorious presence

Heb 4:14-16 AMP Inasmuch then as we have a great High Priest Who has [already] ascended *and* passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession [of faith in Him].

¹⁵ For we do not have a High Priest Who is unable to understand *and* sympathize *and* have a shared feeling with our weaknesses *and* infirmities *and* liability to the assaults of temptation, but One Who has been tempted in every respect as we are, yet without sinning.

¹⁶ Let us then fearlessly *and* confidently *and* boldly draw near to the throne of grace (the throne of God's unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find grace to help in good time for every need [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it].

Church, I read a book that said the purpose of the anointing is to help us transition from flesh to glory!

We like to linger in the anointing because it makes the flesh feel good, but when the glory of God comes, the flesh is no longer comfortable

Isaiah said when he saw God's glory his flesh was weakened by His presence and his lips were unclean

Jacob wrestled for God's blessing but instead had a name change and a hip out

Something dies within us every time we are confronted by His glory. When more of our flesh dies, more of our spirit lives!

John 3:30 NKJV He must increase, but I must decrease.

That's why so many don't really want to see or experience His glory because something/sin in their life must die

OT priests knew this and they didn't take God's glory lightly. That's why a rope was tied around their ankle – if they had son in their life they wouldn't be walking out!

In this hour church, if we're going to be the bride He's coming for we must move from anointing into His manifest glory!

**Story of Wigglesworth on phone

Why we need His glory? In His manifest presence we won't need to do very much, yet great and mighty things will happen, but when we do our thing the results are very different!

Church I want us to go after His glory because when His glory is here the moment people walk through the doors or into our lives, immediately they sense their need for God!

Church, He has given us access into His very presence. Are you content to just dance in front of the veil or prepare your life to enter the King's chambers?