



## God Appoints and God Anoints

This fall, there will be elections held in Israel for the 5th time in just a few years. They have not been able to reach a consensus. The nations of Greece and Cyprus will hold elections in 2023. The United States will have midterm elections for their Congress this November. The Bible teaches that God is the One who appoints and anoints leaders. He has a purpose behind every sovereign choice He desires to reveal and fulfill. When we choose leaders based on our own desires and not on His, we fail to cooperate with His sovereign plans. We need to seek the will of God every time we are faced with elections.

*Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have held, to subdue nations before him; and I will lose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut; I will go before you, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron: And I will give you the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that I, the LORD, which call you by your name, am the God of Israel. For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel my elect, I have even called you by your name: I have surnamed you, though you have not known me. I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded you, though you have not known me: Isaiah 45:1-5*

*That says of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, You shall be built; and to the temple, Your foundation shall be laid. Isaiah 44:28*

It is written that God called Cyrus, His anointed servant for His own purpose, to build the temple. God anoints people for His purpose. You may not like them in the natural. They may not be who you would want, but God has a specific plan and He knows what He wants to accomplish at any given point in history. He sets the order.

When God sent Samuel to anoint a King after Saul's disobedience and rebellion, Samuel looked at tall and handsome Eliab and said,

*And it came to pass, when they came, that he looked on Eliab, and said, Surely the LORD'S anointed is before him. But the LORD said to Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord sees not as man sees; for man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart. I Samuel 16:6-7*

The Lord was saying, "that's not the man I choose. That's the man you would choose."

Samuel continued looking on the sons of Jesse and desired to anoint them, but God refused them all. Samuel was a discerning man and yet he almost missed God's perfect choice and so can we. We need discernment to discern God's choice for leadership and not make choices based on what we prefer or on what we perceive with our eyes or what our own logic tells us.

Finally, he asks Jesse if he has anymore sons and Jesse calls David. The Lord speaks to Samuel and says, "Arise, anoint him: for this is he." *I Samuel 16:11-12*

*And he (Elisha) arose, and went into the house; and he poured the oil on his head (Jehu), and said to him, Thus says the LORD God of Israel, I have anointed you king over the people of the LORD, even over Israel. And you shall smite the house of Ahab your master, that I may avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD, at the hand of Jezebel. For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and I will cut off from Ahab him that pisses against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel: And I will make the house of Ahab like the*

*house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah: And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and there shall be none to bury her. And he opened the door, and fled. 2 Kings 9:6-10*

God told Elijah to anoint Elisha as a prophet in his stead. He told Elisha to anoint Jehu to be the King of Israel. This was for the purpose of cutting off the house of Ahab and avenging the prophets. God anoints for purpose. He raised up David for a purpose, He raised up Solomon for a purpose, He raised up Samuel for a purpose, He raised up Cyrus for a purpose and the list goes on and on. We need to press into God to find out what His plan is and who He has purposed to fulfill it. We need to ask God for discernment.

I honestly can say that I have no preferences. I don't prefer one leader over another, but I do desire God's choice and often He shows me His preference beforehand. When Trump and Biden were running, I had a vision in my living room and I saw Trump dressed in a General's uniform. You could see the anointing resting on him. Then I saw Biden and he was just an ordinary man with no anointing. I sensed the Lord saying to me, "Trump is an anointed General, but Biden is an ordinary man." I believe that like King Saul, people chose the man that they wanted over God's best. Because of the anointing to fulfill God's purposes that was on Trump in his 4 years as President, he was able to set conservative judges in the Supreme Court who God used to overturn Roe vs Wade. I believe he fulfilled some other purposes of God during his administration as well. I believe that God anointed Trump in response to people praying for many years to overturn Roe vs Wade to end abortion. I didn't like the way he spoke, or a lot of his behavior, but God was able to turn his heart to fulfill His own purposes.

For many years while I was living in the land, God led me to pray for Netanyahu. About a month or two ago, I had a dream where I saw Netanyahu sitting behind a desk placed in office. I don't know if he will again be Prime Minister, but I saw him in some kind of an office. I came so close to him in the dream that I could literally touch the skin on his arm. It felt more like reality than a dream. In the dream, I reached over his desk to take a piece of paper and said to him, "I'm going to write my telephone number down and you can call me any time you need prayer."

This dream was given to me before the Coalition Government in Israel disbanded recently. I am not sure, but it seems that God could be setting Netanyahu back in power for a purpose. We need to seek God for discernment so that we can agree with His choices and His plans and not our own.

We have gotten so used to choosing our own leaders by our own limited assessment, based on an imperfect democracy, that we often don't take the time to seek the Lord, listening to the One who will reveal the man/woman He desires to anoint for His purpose.

In Greek, the word democracy comes from the two words, demos/the public or people and kratos/dominion or rule. Democracy means the rule of the people. It's probably one of the best systems of government we have in this fallen world, but it's not the Kingdom and it's not perfect. The word democracy is almost the same as the word, Laodicea, which comes from the two words, laos/people and dike/right and it means the right of the people. Since democracy is not an infallible system, we who are believers ought to seek the Lord for the one who God desires to promote for His purposes.

*I said to the fools, Deal not foolishly: and to the wicked, Lift not up the horn: Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck. For promotion comes neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he puts down one, and sets up another. All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; the horns of the righteous shall be exalted. Psalm 75:4-7; 10*

The name Mashiach means the anointed one. God anoints the ones He appoints. A leader needs to be anointed by God so that he/she can stand against evil. A leader without God's anointing cannot bring God's order upon the world. We can see many leaders wreaking havoc all over the globe who don't have the anointing of God upon them. Evil leaders are able to do what they desire when there are no anointed leaders to resist and counteract demonic powers.

We need anointed leaders in the Ekklesia, in the political sphere and in every other sphere of influence. We need the ones whom God chooses to anoint and to lead.

David Wilkerson was chosen, anointed and sent into NYC by God. At that time, NYC was a high crime city and you couldn't walk the streets late at night. When Pastor Dave came into NYC with a mandate and the anointing of God upon him, powers and principalities fell. Within a short time, it was reported in the news and by the police that crime had fallen suddenly and significantly in NYC. This is what happens when GOD puts a man in leadership who He appoints and anoints for a special purpose. This is what happens when we align with God's plan and not man's.

Yeshua is the Mashiach/anointed One. ANTI in Greek means to be against or to take the place of. The anti Christ/anti-anointed and his system stands against the anointed one. Whoever resists the anointed one of God, knowingly or unknowingly, supports the anti-Christ system. The enemy of God is trying to set up his people in places of influence all over the world who are anti-anointed ones. He's trying to do this in every nation and in every sphere of influence. The enemy wants to see men/women in positions who have no anointing from God to stand against his evil power.

*Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sits in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak to them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. Psalm 2:1-6*

God set/nasak His King upon His holy hill of Zion. In Hebrew, nasak means to pour out, especially a libation; by analogy it means to anoint a king.

God humbled Nebuchadnezzar to make an example of him and to declare to the living His eternal purpose:

*While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying O king Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from you. And they shall drive you from men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make you to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over you, until you know that the most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomsoever he will. Daniel 4:31-32; Daniel 4:17*

God appoints and anoints leaders. We need to perceive this by the Spirit and line up with His purposes. It's the anointing that breaks the yoke.

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