

The Anointing You *Truly* Need

1 John 2:19-21
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The Immediate Context

■ 1 John 2:18

Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour.

So That It Would Be Shown . . .

■ 1 John 2:19

They went out from us, but they were not really of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but they went out, so that it would be shown that they all are not of us.

“Believing” in the Writings of John

■ John 8:30-34

As He spoke these things, many came to believe in Him. So Jesus was saying to those Jews who had believed Him, "If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never yet been enslaved to anyone; how is it that You say, 'You will become free'?" Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin.

Those Who Do Not Continue

■ John 8:43-45

"Why do you not understand what I am saying? It is because you cannot hear My word. "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies. But because I speak the truth, you do not believe Me.

Our Prescribed Response

■ John 6:66-70

As a result of this many of His disciples withdrew and were not walking with Him anymore. So Jesus said to the twelve, "You do not want to go away also, do you?" Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have words of eternal life. We have believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God." Jesus answered them, "Did I Myself not choose you, the twelve, and yet one of you is a devil?"

The Anointing from the Anointed One

■ 1 John 2:20-21

But you have an anointing from the Holy One,
and you all know. I have not written to you
because you do not know the truth, but because
you do know it, and because no lie is of the
truth.

A Comforting and Challenging Contrast

■ antichristos – Anti Anointed (1 John 2:18)

■ chrisma – Anointing (1 John 2:20)

■ christos – Anointed (1 John 2:22)

The Old Testament Background of “Anointing”

■ Exodus: 40:14-15

"You shall bring his sons and put tunics on
them; and you shall anoint them even as you
have anointed their father, that they may
minister as priests to Me; and their anointing will
qualify them for a perpetual priesthood
throughout their generations."

The New Testament Testimony of “Anointing”

■ Acts 10:38-39

“You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him. We are witnesses of all the things He did both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They also put Him to death by hanging Him on a cross.”

Testing for Genuine Faith

■ 2 Corinthians 13:5-6

Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith; examine yourselves! Or do you not recognize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ (christos = anointed) is in you-- unless indeed you fail the test? But I trust that you will realize that we ourselves do not fail the test.

Test One:

Do You Believe in the *Real* Jesus?

John 8:24

Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.

Test Two:
**Do You See the Fruit of
Regeneration?**

- John 14:15 “If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.”
- 2 Thessalonians:2:9-10 . . .that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.

Test Three:
**Do You Recognize Your Wretchedness
and His Righteousness?**

- Romans 7:24 Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? . . .
- Romans 8:3-4 For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.
