

GREEN OIL

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I think it was last Friday. I was in my office. It was warm that day. I had on my Naots and no socks. I went over to the chair, started studying. I had my Bible and some notes and things. Might have even, I think I had the laptop and was doing some things with the Bible on computer, with e-sort and the Message and so forth. And I kicked my shoes off so that I was sitting in my chair barefooted, my shoes were down beside me. And I was studying. And I had been there for a while, maybe an hour and a half or two hours.

And in the course of sitting there like that, I had glanced. You know how you read a while and then you just kind of look around. I had done that, no telling how many times in an hour-and-a-half, maybe an hour and forty-five minutes. And I looked over at the bookshelf and looked back. Looked maybe out the window and looked back. And I don't know how many times I'd looked around the room.

But all of a sudden, looking down, I looked up and in the course of looking up I saw something green down here at the chair. And it was a strange feeling. So much so, that I wouldn't look back. I looked straight

over at my desk. I wouldn't look down because it was very, very shocking, just in that split sense of a moment.

I wouldn't even look down because I thought, "What is that? Something's very strange." But I made up my mind that I needed to know what it was. And I looked down, and my right foot was covered in something green. My right bare foot was covered in something green.

And it had dripped from my big toe down to my foot and my ankle. I reached down to wipe it off the chair. It had dripped on the chair. And I reached up like this and said, "What is that?" And I went to wipe it off the chair, and it disappeared. Not only off the chair, but off my foot.

It was so real that I was going to wipe it. I thought something had dripped. I thought, "What have I stepped in? How did that get over my, the top of my foot?" It was just very, very strange. And all of a sudden, while I was sitting there, it's gone. And I'm really disturbed.

I remembered. "On the right thumb. On the forehead, on the right thumb, and the big toe of the right foot is where that green oil..." Remember? That's where the Levitical priesthood was anointed. I realized that God was letting me see that green oil that He had applied to the big toe of my right foot. I wondered why it wasn't on my thumb. And at that point I cried out to the Lord. I said, "Oh, dear Lord." And I said, "Lord, why my toe? Why not my thumb? Why not my forehead?"

And He said, “Don’t you remember the sermon?” And I had to sit there and think back. And God gave us the typology in the sermon that it was so that wherever they went, wherever their feet would trod was to be holy. It was made holy. It was made sanctified. It was made consecrated because of the anointing that rested in the priesthood.

And God said, “I’m going to send you to places to sanctify them.”

I tell you, brother, sister, it choked me. It choked me. It was one of those experiences where I said, “I need to call somebody. I need to tell somebody right now what has just happened, while it’s fresh.”

And then I thought, “I can’t. There is no way I can tell anybody that I’ve had green oil poured on my toe. I can’t do it.”

But I really believe that whatever happens in my life is an example and a sign that God wants to use everyone of us in this place, where we go, where He leads us, where He takes us, where He sends us.

If we are His set-apart, if we are His anointed, if we are His sanctified, there is something that takes place when we go where God says, “Go.” I love that. I want to see it. I want to see a reaction. And I believe God is able to cause all things to react to that anointing of sanctification and consecration and dedication.

“How many of you’d like for that green oil to be poured over your head?” Just fill us with that holy Oil.

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