

**Vision: Helping People Win In Life** (on the foundation of a Personal & Growing Relationship with Jesus Christ)



**Mission: Helping People Win In Life** through environments designed to help them take their next steps in Christian Maturity.

**Sunday, September 24, 2017**  
**Sermon Notes**

**IS GOD REALLY GOOD ALL THE TIME? “Living in the Goodness of God” (Series):**  
***Living An Anointed Life – Part 9***  
**Pastor Bob Washington**

**Icebreaker:** Share what you like about the Fall Season.

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**Scripture Reading: Psalm 23:1-5**

*“The Lord is my Shepherd, I have everything I need. He makes me lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in the right paths for his name’s sake. Even when I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me! Your rod and your staff they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. **You anoint my head with oil**; my cup overflows.*

**What is the blessing of being anointed by God?** God’s anointing gives you: The **Power**, the **Insight** and the **Energy** to do what God wants you to do.

*“God made us what we are. And in Christ Jesus, God created us to do good works, which he planned in advance for us to live our lives doing.” Ephesians 2:10*

**4 Facts About God’s Anointing:**

**1. When God Appoints You, He Anoints You**

*“You will receive my power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses...to the ends of the Earth.” Acts 1:8*

**2. God’s Anointing Transforms You**

1 Samuel 9:21 *Saul answered, “But am I not a Benjamite, from the smallest tribe of Israel, and is not my clan the least of all the clans of the tribe of Benjamin? Why do you say such a thing to me?”*

1 Samuel 10:1 ... *“Then Samuel took oil and poured it on Saul’s head and said, “God has anointed you to be the leader of his people...*

1 Samuel 10:6,7 ... *God’s Spirit will come on you in power, and you’ll speak like a prophet and you’ll be changed into a different person. After this happens, do whatever you think is best, because God will be with you!”*

**3. God’s Anointing Makes The Impossible Possible**

*Jesus DECLARED: “What is impossible for men is possible with God.” Luke 18:27 (NLT)*

*“God’s power at work within us is able to accomplish infinitely more than we could ever dare to ask for or even imagine.” Eph. 3:20 (NCV)*

*"I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need." Phil. 4:13 (NLT)*

#### **4. God Anoints Your Life To Bless Others**

*"The Spirit of the Lord is on me and he's anointed me to bring good news to the 1) suffering and afflicted. He has sent me to 2) comfort the brokenhearted, to 3) announce freedom to captives (self imposed prisons-addiction, bitterness, etc.), and to 4) open the eyes of the blind (Help people see things they haven't seen before). He has sent me to 5) tell those who mourn (those who have experienced loss and hurts) that the time of God's favor (anointing) to them has come ... 6) To tell all who mourn that God will give beauty for ashes, joy instead of mourning, and praise instead of heaviness!" Isaiah 61:1-3 (TLB)*

*"God anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit's power, and He went around doing good and healing people who were beaten down by the devil." Acts 10:38*

*"The Lord generously gives us his favor (anointing...god's favorite) and honor. NO GOOD THING will he withhold from those who live right." Psalm 84:11*

#### **Question: How do you maintain God's anointing in your life?**

*"Sow new seeds of righteousness (prayer), and you'll reap the fruit of My love. And break up your old hardened ground (cynical, hard heart, ). It's time to turn to me and seek the Lord (confess-I haven't been as close to you like i should...humble yourself before god...ask god)! Then I'll come and shower new blessings (anointing) on you!" Hosea 10:12 (TEV)*

Mark 6:13 says, *"The disciples anointed with oil those who were sick, and people were healed."*

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#### **Outline for Small Group (1 ½ hour)**

- I. **Welcome:** Ice Breaker, Light Refreshments (20 min)
- II. **Worship:** Sing 2 Songs, Pray (7 min)
- III. **Word:** Discussion /Overview from preached message & Discussion Questions (43 min)
- IV. **Works & Witness:** What will you do to **serve** others and/or **share** Christ with others? How can you **partner** with your Small Group and/or entire Church? (10 min)
- V. **Win (Testimony):** What next step have you taken or are taking toward spiritual maturity in Christ Jesus? *Connecting, Growing, Serving, Sharing, Worshipping* (5 min)
- VI. **Will (Vision & Prayer):** Share the Vision and Mission of CCMS & Pray (ACTS) – Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving & Supplication (5 min)