

7. Christ, the Anointed, and Filled with the Spirit

The sixth book of the Bible is Judges. This book is both sad and inspiring. It is filled with historical reports of the children of Israel disobeying God and worshipping foreign gods. However when they repented and called on God, there are marvelous accounts of judges like Gideon and Samson. The Spirit of God would come upon or rush upon these men, and they would miraculously save the people of God from their enemies.

“Then the LORD raised up judges, who saved them out of the hand of those who plundered them. ... Whenever the LORD raised up judges for them, the LORD was with the judge, and he saved them from the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge.” (Judges 2:16, 18)

The Spirit of God did not rush upon Jesus at specific times. Jesus was filled, inspired, and dependent on the Spirit since His birth. This was prophesied in Isaiah 11 and fulfilled in the life of Jesus.

“Out of the stump of David’s family will grow a shoot— yes, a new Branch bearing fruit from the old root. And the Spirit of the LORD will rest on him— the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. He will delight in obeying the LORD.” (Isaiah 11:1–3 NLT)

Birth of Jesus

“The birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.” (Matthew 1:18)

‘The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy— the Son of God.’” (Luke 1:35)

Life of Jesus

In the Gospel of John, John the Baptist “bore witness: ‘I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.’ I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’” (John 1:32–33)

Jesus the Christ

Jesus is the name given to the Son of God. He is called Jesus of Nazareth and Jesus son of Joseph and Mary. Yet the expression Jesus Christ, which is more aptly translated, Jesus, the Christ, Jesus the Messiah, or Jesus, the Anointed, is also found nearly 500 times in the New Testament. Jesus was anointed by the Spirit.

Come Into His Presence with Singing

O Come All Ye Faithful

1. O Come All Ye Faithful

Joyful and triumphant,

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.

Come and behold Him,

Born the King of Angels;

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

Christ the Lord.

2. Sing, choirs of angels,

Sing in exultation,

Sing all that hear in heaven God's holy word.

Give to our Father glory in the Highest;

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

Christ the Lord.

3. Yea Lord, we greet Thee,

Born this happy morning,

O Jesus! for evermore be Thy name adored.

Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him,

Christ the Lord.

Give Thanks unto Him

Thank you God for leading me by your Good Spirit

“Teach me to do your will, for you are my God! Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!” (Psalm 143:10)

Thank you God for teaching me by your Good Spirit

“You gave your good Spirit to instruct them.”

Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit as the Helper

John 16:7 It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper shall not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

Thank you for anointing and sealing us with Your Spirit

“It is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put His seal on us and given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.” (2 Corinthians 1:21–22)

Thank you for revealing Jesus as the Christ

“‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’ And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon Bar-jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven.’” (Matthew 16:16–17)

Bless His Name: Jesus the Christ

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“The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is upon me, for the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.” (Isaiah 61:1)

“These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.” (John 20:31)

“Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.” (Acts 2:36)

“You were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.” (1 Corinthians 6:11)