



“X” A New Season of Anointing: The Bezalel Anointing

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Speaker: Dr. Mark Batterson

Scripture: Exodus 31:1-11, 1 John 2:27, Genesis 1:1-4, Genesis 4:17-20

Sermon Overview: Where the Spirit of the Lord, there is liberty (2 Corinthians 3:17). Through God’s Spirit, Bezalel received ability, intelligence, and knowledge of all craftsmanship for artistic design, metal working, and stone-cutting. Bezalel (name means ‘in the shadow of the Almighty’) is a model of God anointing a creative. We are believing God to free the inner child in us so that we will go beyond our abilities and outside our personalities to demonstrate the creatives God made us to be. The church ought to be the most creative place on the planet.

Sermon Series Question:

1. What has God called you by name to do as a creative for such a time as this?

Sermon-Specific Questions:

1. Where has God placed you? What are your passions? Pastor Mark says the best way to critique is by creating. God has created you to be creative. How can you critique by creating?
2. The anointing is the difference between the best you can do and the best God can do. What situation (self consciousness, people pleasing, ego, fear or some other hangup) do you believe you need God’s anointing to help you work through it to get to where He wants you to be?
3. We tend to think in terms of our individual situations, right now, or this generation, but God thinks in terms of nations, millennia, and generations. How might God be using you as a part of the bigger story He is writing?

Digging Deeper:

1. Read 2 Corinthians 12:9. Consider that God's anointing enabled Bezalel to operate beyond his natural ability. Now, consider that Bezalel's name means "in the shadow of the Almighty." Now read Psalm 91. What does God promise to the person who "abides under the shadow of the Almighty"? Now put these verses from 2 Corinthians and Psalm 91 together with the power given to Bezalel and the meaning of his name. What is the picture that God is drawing? How is it that we stay under the shadow of the Almighty? How can you view your weaknesses in light of this picture and these verses?
2. Meditate on these truths about yourself and what it means to you being a creative. Imago Dei - you are created in the image of God and the Missio Dei - you are anointed for reigning, subduing, taking dominion and kiboshing

Practical Application:

- House of Prayer gathers on Thursdays at 7:14PM; and Upper Zoom gathers on Wednesdays at 7:14AM.
- Join a group or a ministry team, or become a mission partner!
- Get in community by joining a small group.