THE BOOK

Can you beat your chest that you are anointed? How did you know? And how sure are you? If you know and are sure of the anointing of God upon your life, can you unequivocally say that you are walking and working with the consciousness of the anointing over your life?

These and many other posers are answered in this book, I'M ANOINTED. It clearly strengthens the confidence of those who are sure of God's anointing over their lives and awakens the consciousness of those who are unsure.

Meticulous reading of this book will help you place more demands on the anointing of God over your life, and this will make a lot of differences in your life.

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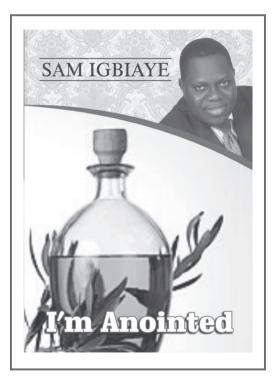
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DEDICATION

This book is fondly dedicated the saints of God who are determined to go further and move higher in the things God called them to do. Your times of refreshing are here.

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FOREWORD

One truth believes need to embrace in this last days is: If you are born again and filled with the Holy Spirit, you are anointed. The ability of the Holy Spirit in demonstration beyond your imagination is at work in you.

But it is one thing to be anointed, it is another thing to know what to do with the anointing so that the anointing may make the difference. Soul, the first king in Israel died as though he had not been anointed with oil. The anointing was supposed to prevent him from dying like an ordinary man, but it did not do that for him. Why?

Please, read this book with an

opened spirit, because the spirit of God is going to come upon you and cause you to succeed beyond your expectation in life. It will propel you to place more demands on the anointing of God over your life, and this

will make a lot of differences in your life.

You are lifted! Samuel Igbiaye

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CHAPTER ONE

ANOINTING

OR all the promises of God in Him are yea, and in Him amen, unto the glory of God by us. Now He which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath I'M ANOINTED

anointed us, is God. Who hath also sealed us; and give the earnest of the spirit in our hearts. 2 Corinthians 1:20-22.

One truth I want us to establish in this book is the fact that you are anointed. I know that may not sound like revelation to you, but please know it, particularly for those who are born again. You must never forget the fact that you are anointed. It is not dependent on how you feel or what people say about you. It is not subject to human confirmation or situational confirmation; it does not matter how many people believe you or not. You must be convinced in your heart about the reality of the truth, and that you are anointed

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because that is what God says about you. It is the truth.

For what if some did not believe, shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? God forbid: yea let God be true, but every man a liar..... Roman 3; 3-4

If you are born again, filled with the Holy Ghost; you are anointed, "Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ and hath anointed us, is God.....". I am not talking about the anointing of a man, but that God Himself anointed us with the oil of gladness above our fellows; that oil of gladness is the Holy Spirit Himself. He was the substance that God literally poured on you when you were anointed.

Right now as you are reading this book, you are full of the abilities of the Holy Spirit in dimension you cannot imagine. You are capable of succeeding in certain areas of life that your mind has not even captured in thoughts before.

You have the capacity to achieve things beyond your background, to reach heights you can imagine possible in your life time. You are bigger, greater, higher, richer, healthier than you ever imagine. The reason is due to the ability of the anointing of the Holy Spirit that resides in you. I want you to open your mouth and tell yourself

over and over again, "I am anointed; you can imagine what I'm capable of becoming in this life. I am anointed."

Despite the anointing inside one, one can live and die ordinary, if nothing is done about it.

In 2 Samuel 1:21, the Bible says; "Saul died as though he has not been anointed with oil." In other words, the anointing should have made the difference, but in the life of Saul the first king of Israel, the anointing did not count! In 2 King 4:1, an anointed prophet of God died, leaving his family with debts. Though he was anointed, the anointing did not affect that aspect of his life. He was anointed but he was broke.

In Matthew 14:1-11, John the Baptist, a man that was filled with the Holy Spirit from his mother's womb, was beheaded, although he was anointed. Where was the anointing? He was an anointed man of God, but died an ordinary man.

In Acts 12:1-5, James was killed. He was killed by an evil king. He arrested him and murdered him. When he saw that the Jewish leaders were pleased with it, he arrested peter also.

James died that as if he was not anointed

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with the Holy Ghost and power. The point I am making here is that carrying the ability of the anointing alone is not enough. If you don't do something about the anointing you have received, you will live as though the anointing was not real. It is not because the anointing is not real; it is because you don't understand how to stir up the anointing inside of you.

It is important that we understand that the anointing is a supernatural ability. It is the supernatural involvement (supernatural help) of the spirit of God with you.

The word, "supernatural", is a combination of two words: "super" and "natural". So

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God expects you to handle the natural while God takes care of the super. You handle the ordinary while God handles the extra, to make it extra-ordinary.

In reality, I only need help when I start doing something that I discover I cannot do by myself. For example, if I want to carry something that naturally seems so impossible for me to carry, how would I know it seems so impossible? Is it because I am already in the process of carrying it that I realise I need help? You need to ask yourself, what are you doing in life that requires the help of God or His anointing?

We all need to understand that things that

happen to us in life happen to strengthen of our lives. They are natural occurrences of life from which we are not exempted. We are like Samson who was so anointed by God with the great ability to do mighty things. The Bible says; "and the spirit of the lord began to move him at times in the camp of Dan.... Judges 13:25," though not at all time, because the type of challenges that will reveal him was not yet there at the camp.

But one day, Samson in the company of his father and his mother was going to Timnath and they came to the vineyard of Timnath, and a young lion roared against him, (Judges 14:5-6), and suddenly that divine ability inside of him rose up and he killed the lion as if he was killing a ram with nothing in his hand.

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Now, Samson had that ability to kill a lion all the time he was in the camp of Dan but nobody knew, but that day that lion roared against him, that ability was revealed to him. Certain challenges come your way to reveal the ability of God inside of you.

How would you know you can overcome that situation? If situations never present themselves before you, how would you know you posses that level of wisdom if the situations did not arise? Jesus said; "this sickness is not unto death, but for the

glory of God, that the son of God might be glorified thereby" John 11:4. The whole situation is just an opportunity for the glory of God in you to be revealed.

There are giant killers in the body of Christ, but nobody will ever know them, until their Goliath shows up. There are men and women who can call down fire from heaven, yet nobody will ever recognise them until they are faced with the situation of mount camel.

We have so many 'Esthers' in the body of Christ who can become the queen of the land, but they must be part of that contest for their real beauty to be revealed. There are people I have met with strong healing, deliverance and anointing but they will never be revealed until you start taking that step to, at least, pray for the sick.

Whatever you are going through right now, that pressure is trying to reveal the hidden treasure of the anointing inside you. If you will just settle down to get solution to that issue; you might discover a calling in the process because the same balm that heals you can make you a healer to your generation.

Please know that you are anointed, you are too loaded to be stranded. I speak the word into your life, it will affect your output in business, your career and in whatever

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you lay your hands on to do; that divine enabling power will cause you to succeed in Jesus's name. You are anointed.

CHAPTER TWO

ADVANCEMENT BY THE ANOINTING

The spirit of the lord is upon me because He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor, He hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to

preach deliverance to the captives, and the recovering of the sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised. To preach the acceptable year of the lord – Luke 4:18-19.

The anointing like we have said before is the power of God that enables you to accomplish the will of God. It is the spirit of God taking hold of you to help you against the impossibilities of life; it is an infusion of divine ability that enables you to do what you could not naturally do before.

What the Anointing of God sets to achieve in your Life

• The anointing will help you to move forward in life.

- The anointing will help you to make practical progress in life.
- The anointing will enable you to improve in whatever it is that you are doing.
- The anointing will generate promotion and enable you to climb higher in your career.
- You cannot be anointed and be stagnated, the anointing is for advancement.

It is important we know that the anointing is for performance. It is for doing something. That is why no man can retain the anointing without engaging the anointing in service; you must put it to

work. Not using the anointing will cause it to decay, while its active usage will result in maturity.

Jesus was anointed to carry out an assignment; "the Spirit of the lord is upon me; he hath anointed me to...... Preach, heal..." One of the biggest challenges of the present day churches is that most people who want the anointing have no specific assignment or task to use the anointing to accomplish. Anointing is always given for specific purposes. This explains why individuals are usually anointed for a mission.

The question I want you to ask yourself is,

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why do I need the anointing? What mission do I have for God's anointing in my life?

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil, for God was with him – Acts 10:38

Jesus was anointed for a specific mission. He was going about doing good, healing all that were oppressed of the devil. What do you desire to be anointed for in life? Anointing is for specific purposes.

And the destruction of Ahazirah was of

God, by coming to Joram, for when he comes, he went out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of Nimish, whom the LORD had anointed to cut the house of Ahab – 2 Chronicle 22:7. This man, Jehu, was anointed by God to cut off the house of Ahab. What will God anoint you to do in your generation?

Then the Lord said to Moses, I have chosen a man from the family of Judah to do some specific work for me. His name is Bezaleel, son of Uri, the son of Hur. I have filled Bezaleel with the spirit of God – I have GIVEN HIM THE SKILL AND knowledge to do all kind of things – Exodus 31:1-3 (Easy to Read Translation). The man, Bezaleel, was filled with the Spirit of God (the anointing) in all manner of workmanship, to do all kinds of things. The truth is that you can be anointed to do all kind of things.

- You can be anointed to prosper in all kinds of business
- You can be anointed to excel in all kinds of career
- You can be anointed for diverse kinds of ministry.

Don't forget that the anointing is a divine enablement; you can be divinely enabled to do all kinds of things. The bottom line here is that the anointing is for a specific purpose. God will always enable you to do something.

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You can't be enabled for nothing.

Many people never experience the reality of the anointing in their lives, because they don't have anything that God should enable them for. God cannot help you to do nothing; God will always help you to do something.

Please, ask yourself, what am I doing that I need God to help me accomplish? What am I doing that I am not able to do by myself, that I need God to help me? What am I trying to move that I am not able to move, that I need God to help me move? Where am I trying to reach that I am unable to reach by my strength, that I need God's help to reach there? These questions will help you appreciate that the anointing comes to help you do what you are unable to do because there are things that you are unable to do by your strength alone.

There are things that God will ask you to do; there are places that God will ask you to go, the assignments of God are usually impossible to accomplish in the flesh without the help of the Spirit of God. So, we will always need God's help to carry out God's assignment for our lives.

Also in your life, you will come to a point where you will be confronted with things

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that are beyond your natural capacity, and you will require supernatural assistance from the spirit of God to see you through. It could be in your business, family, health or career. You will get to that point when you need supernatural enablement to move to another level. This is why we are hearing about the anointing. The anointing provides that supernatural help we need in those aspects of our lives. The anointing of the Holy Spirit is a spiritual virtue and it takes faith to turn it into a physical manifestation. In Matthew 17:20, you will find the following principle of faith in that verse; ".....if ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain." So, faith is expressed by

what you say; if you have faith in the anointing of the Holy Spirit upon your life to move forward in life, you should express

that faith by saying it boldly.

The first step in accessing that divine enablement that the anointing provides for specific aspects of your life is opening vour mouth to declare what you believe. The anointing will work for you in that area. If you can't say it with your mouth, you can't see it manifest in your life. Your mouth is the key to the manifestation of the anointing in your life. Open your mouth and declare it boldly, "I am anointed......" Do you know that if you open up your mouth to say what you

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believe, the anointing will accomplish great things in your life? You are actually stirring up the ability of the anointing to work for you. Say this with me; "I am anointed; the power of Holy Spirit is working in me, causing me to succeed in all that I do. The greater One inside of me has put me over the situation of life in Jesus name."

CHAPTER THREE

LIMITING

HEN Samuel took a vial of oil and poured it upon his head, and kissed him and said is it not because the Lord hath anointed thee to be

Captain over his inheritance? And it was so that he when had turn his back to go from Samuel; God gave him another heart and all those sign came to pass that day. And when they came thither to the hill, behold a company of prophets met him; and the spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them. And it came to pass, when all that knew him before time saw that; behold, he prophesied among the prophets, then the people said, one to another, "what is this, that is come unto the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets 1 Samuel 1:1, 9-11.

The anointing that came upon Saul, the son of Kish, made him a force to reckon

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with in Israel. The anointing of God empowered him to do the unthinkable, little wonder people marvelled at his prophetic ability as though he was one of the prophets of God. When anointing comes upon a man, he receives supernatural ability to function beyond his natural ability; that was exactly what happened to Saul.

You see the anointing is the ability of the Holy Spirit to move in man. It is the enabling of the spirit of God that causes the anointed to do the thing which they cannot do before.

It is the raw strength that gets things done

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beyond human imagination. The raw ability of the anointing is in you right now. It determines all you can be that you have not yet became, and all you are capable of doing in life that you have not done yet. It determines how far you can reach that you have not yet reached, and what you can accomplish in your career that you have not accomplished.

As a New Testament believer, you put limit on yourself when you play down on the importance of the anointing, because anointing is a divine enablement. No matter what you are capable of doing through your natural ability, with this divine enablement you can do much more. Some people are so gifted, talented and skilful, while some possess special knowledge, but waste away because of their neglect of the divine capability that can aid the manifestation of their skills and abilities. With your talents and skills, you can imagine the level of your achievements should you be backed up by the anointing of the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ, for instance, started to do the unimaginable at a tender age, because He had been anointed to proclaim liberty to the oppressed. At age 12, he taught in the synagogue, sat down with foremost lawyers, and they all marvelled at the level

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of intelligence He displayed.

You are also anointed. The ability of the Holy Spirit is upon you to do unimaginable things and succeed beyond your natural ability. There is a force in you that can cause you to do well. That is why one of the greatest enemies of the anointing is the initial level of success and results it brings. This could make one believe that one has arrived and then stop seeking for more anointing.

The fact is that one could become complacent and stop seeking for more anointing, this is dangerous. Don't accept your present state as your final state, because it is just a phase in your life. There are many more phases ahead of you; don't be satisfied with your last accomplishment that is yet to be perfected.

Easy contentment is an enemy of the anointing, because they make you stop placing demand on the anointing of God for greater accomplishment. No matter how good your present accomplishment may be, it cannot be compared with what is inside of you that you are yet to give birth to. The minute you begin to settle down and enjoy the praises of men about your present success, you lose the possibilities of manifesting what is really inside of you. One of the tragedies of easy satisfaction is found in the life of Solomon, the son of David.

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And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were came out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon is reign over Israel, in the month zif, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of the Lord. 1 kings 6:1

And it came to pass, when Solomon had furnished the house of the lord, and king house, and all Solomon desire which he was please to do - 1Kings 9:1

I want you to notice that Solomon began and completed the building of the house of the God. So, King Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth in riches and in wisdom. Kings 10:23-24.

The moment Solomon went complacent; he stopped seeking for God's divine enablement. To this end, he lost all. His wisdom became foolishness. Same wisdom with which he built one of the most magnificent houses in history, that same wisdom which the kings of the earth sought after, became foolishness, because; "King Solomon loved many women......."1 Kings 11:1.

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The same Solomon, who said in Proverbs; "Give not thy strength unto woman, or thy ways to that which destroyeth kings" Proverb 31:3, gave himself to many

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women and to that which eventually destroyed him, because he felt he had arrived.

Please understand me, I am not against you finishing but you must fight that feeling of satisfaction that makes you think you have arrived, because that places limits on what you are capable of doing more.

I check the word "finished" in the dictionary and these are some of the meanings I got; "to end or complete;" "to stop;" "the last touch;" "not likely to achieve further success." When I saw "not likely to achieve further success" I humorously said to myself: "I am too young to finish in life". What have I seen? What have my hands touched?, because I want to achieve further successes.

You can have more, you can achieve more and you can experience more of the power of God in your life like never before. Don't allow what you see today to place a limit on what the anointing is capable of doing in your life. There are opportunities for more joy, favour, grace, blessing, and positive impacts in ministry. There are opportunities for reaching higher levels which always exist in God. Desire more and more will be given unto you. Do not place a limit on the anointing of God in your life.

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