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Series Title: THE ANOINTING MAKES THE DIFFERENCE
Key Scripture: Exodus 30:22-33
Recorded Sermon:
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Date + Speaker: Pastor Mark Scarr – November 2nd, 2025

Starter:
If you could describe what it feels like to be anointed or empowered by God using one word, what would that word be and why?

Discussion:

1. What does Exodus 30:22–33 teach about the sacredness of the anointing oil, and why did God command that it be treated as holy?

2. Myrrh represents meekness and submission to God. What is the difference between meekness and weakness, and why is meekness important in the life of a believer?

3. Why is submission such a vital part of walking in God's anointing, and how might resisting God's will hinder that flow?

4. Cinnamon represents standing upright for God. In a world that often compromises, what does it mean for a believer to stand firm in holiness and integrity?

5. Can God use seasons of testing or pressure to strengthen a believer's spiritual backbone so they can "stand upright" in faith? (1 Peter 1:6–7)

6. Calamus symbolizes humility before God. Why is humility such a key ingredient in experiencing God's anointing?

7. What might it look like for someone to ‘posture themselves in humility’ before God in their daily life?

8. Cassia represents inner cleansing. How do God’s Word and the Holy Spirit work together to cleanse and renew a believer’s heart?

9. Olive oil represents being filled with the Holy Spirit. What difference does it make in a person’s life when they are truly filled with the Spirit?

Reflection:
As we reflect on the anointing, may we remember that it’s not our strength, talent, or effort that makes the difference—it’s God’s presence flowing through a surrendered, and humble heart that truly sets us apart for His purpose.