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SUBJECT: THE COST OF MY ANOINTING

The anointing that I carry has cost me more than what people could imagine. My anointing invited attacks from all angles. My family betrayed me when I needed them the most. My ex-wife tried to bankrupt me in our divorce.

My so-called friends abandoned me when I need their support the most. The leaders of my former church family wanted to utilize my talents for their personal agenda rather than God's purpose. This is only a tip of the iceberg.

As I think about all the things, people and opportunities I sacrificed and lost I tear up. **IN ORDER TO CARRY A GREAT ANOINTING YOU MUST ENDURE GREAT PAIN!** The anointing is **NOT** cheap. It is expensive. I've heard many preachers talk about the anointing of God throughout my lifetime.

They make it sound glamorous, which it is. However, the process to get it, the strength needed to carry it is underrated. I've learned not to envy another person's anointing. A person's anointing may amaze you. It might inspire you. However, you do not know the pain it cost them.

I've learned to be content with the level of anointing God has blessed me with. The Lord will never put more on you than you can bear. Your **TOLERANCE** for pain will determine the magnitude of your anointing.

Jesus is the Anointed One because no one could ever endure the pain He suffered while He walked the earth. His tolerance for pain determined the magnitude of His anointing. Those who **SUFFER FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS** the most carry the biggest anointing.

2nd Timothy 2:12 says, *"If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: If we deny him, he also will deny us."*

Learn to appreciate people's anointing. Do not envy them. Do not be jealous of them. Do not pray to God to give you their anointing.

Be **CONTENT** with what you have! I went through many painful experiences at a young age to carry the anointing to skillfully speak with wisdom. My pain paid the price for my anointing.

TAKEAWAY: Pain is the **PRICE TAG** to purchase the anointing of God. Never ask God for more than you can handle. If you do, it will break you. Keep this in mind, with every blessing there is a burden.

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