





The Oil

- The oil of power comes directly from the trees to the bowl on the lampstand (v12)
- The oil empowers the 2 anointed ones who stand by the Lord (Joshua & Zerubbabel)

The Great Enabling

- Ultimately found in Jesus – ‘the branch’ (3:8)
- Jesus – who becomes both our high priest and king

Jesus – that One who in his glorious resurrected body became our incarnate temple, our place to worship the Father. Born of the Spirit, baptized of the Spirit, led of the Spirit into the wilderness, Jesus came in the power of the Spirit to proclaim the beginning of the Kingdom of God in his person.

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The Church

- The church is enabled to shine forth the light of Christ to the world
- Revelation 2 & 3 – the church is presented as a lampstand
- We become a collective light for Christ

We Shine

- As individual believers we also shine forth the light of Christ

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

But you are a chosen race, a royal
priesthood, a holy nation, God's
own people, in order that you may
proclaim the mighty acts of him
who called you out of darkness
into his marvellous light.

1 Peter 2:9