Judas Iscariot, the betrayer, had the best pastor, leader, and teacher.

If <u>our</u> attitude doesn't improve and our character doesn't transform, then we will remain the same and blame others.

Jesus' Character and Anointing

Hebrews 5:1-8

Luke 4:1-13, 14-21



What is the anointing?

The presence of the Holy Spirit setting us apart and giving us a divine enablement to fulfill His purpose.

"The power of the Spirit." - RT Kendall

What is character?

The features or attributes that make up and distinguish an individual; moral excellence.

1. Why do we need character and anointing?

- * Anointing doesn't keep a person from committing sin. Character does.
- * Character is being mature, complete, wise, and stable.
- * Character resists the idolatrous desires of the society around us.
- * Results without character will be questioned.

2. What is the difference between character and anointing?

Character (Genesis 39:7-12)	Anointing (Judges 16)
Trustworthy	No Moral Restraint
A Life Seen by God	Adrenaline Addiction
Wisdon	No Relational Boundaries
	No Intimacy with Jesus

"Conversion may be a quick trip to the altar, but maturity is always married to time."



3. How can I support my character growth?

- A. Stand in grace. (Romans 5:2)
- B. Have a hope-filled vision. (Romans 5:4)
- C. Don't quit. (Romans 5:4)
- D. Don't be surprised by difficulty. (1 Peter 4:12)
- E. Rejoice (1 Peter 4:13)
- F. Praise. (1 Peter 4:16)
- G. Commit to God. (1 Peter 4:19)
- H. Dogood. (1 Peter 4:19)

How can I take responsibility for this message?

- 1. Get help.
- 2. Share what's happening in your life with a friend.
- 3. Practice the answers to the third question.