

The I Am Who IS

“I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come—the Almighty One.”

(From Revelation 1:8 NLT)

Who else could this possibly refer to? You know the answer. There is no one else but our Lord. From the day we believed in Emmanuel—God with us, we knew that He Is. Praise God! The smallest word *is* is immensely meaningful. It is as powerful as His statement, “I Am,” as He called Himself to Moses.

Then Moses asked God, “If I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what should I tell them?”

God replied to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: I AM has sent me to you.” God also said to Moses, “Say this to the Israelites: The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. **This is my name forever; this is how I am to be remembered in every generation.” (Exodus 3:13-15 CSB)**

It is imperative that we know Him as the I Am who *is* in our lives. We have been taught frequently about all the things that don’t belong in our lives, the negativity, bitterness, unforgiveness, victimhood, fear, etc.—all the things that satan uses against us to paralyze our walks and mess us up—things satan uses to keep us from undoing his works, the “works of the devil,” which Jesus came to destroy. Satan aims to keep us on the defense so we will not unite as a body to assault the gates of hell, which cannot prevail against the church. In his sermon yesterday, Doug talked about the things that promote division rather than the unity Christ desires.

What would it take to convince the “body” of Christ, the Messiah (Messiah means the Anointed One), that it, the body, is anointed to do the things the Christ did? In many cases, the anointing has been taught confusingly. The anointing should not be separated from the One Who Is. Erroneous teaching has caused us to reach for what we already have because we aren’t convinced that we have it (Him).

The voice of the enemy is loud and frequent, striving to keep us confused and unconvinced, but the voice of God, His word, is living and powerful to divide what needs to be cut away, and to accomplish His purposes. How can we have the joy the Lord intends for us if we aren’t convinced of the good news of the One Who Is? Knowing we are never alone or abandoned is essential to being free. In us *is* the One who works in us to will and to do. The Holy Spirit in us desires the will of God. The Holy Spirit in us delights in doing the will of God. The Holy Spirit delights to reveal all that Jesus *is* to us. **He delights to be the reality of all He reveals.**



We are anointed to be all that God wants from us. The Holy Spirit delights to join us in that.

Be filled with the Spirit. Let that which *is* in you be your life and breath. Be filled!—not with the lifeless things of the world, not with the remarks and complaints that make up the abundance of the words spoken by the world. Discern what brings life in the things you listen to and engage in. Also, do the words you speak bring life or condemnation, unity or division?

Be convinced of your anointing. Jesus went through so much for you to have it. Give up any discontent, and have faith that you may live in joy and peace with knowledge that the **One Who Is** held back nothing pertaining to life and godliness from you, so that you might participate in fellowship with the Father, and with His Son, Jesus Christ, and with one another. (See 1 John 1:3) Go out each day with joy! Be always conscious of the One Who Is, *in you!* **Live an anointed life!**