INTRODUCTION:
A. Psalm 92:10 – But my horn You have exalted like a wild ox; I have been anointed with fresh oil.
  1. Anointing is a Biblical subject . . . Found in both the OT & NT.
  2. Purpose of Anointing - To authorize, or set apart, a person for a particular work or Service.
B. The Second Law of Thermodynamics is this: EVERYTHING TENDS TOWARDS DISORDER.
  1. Left to its own, an isolated system tends toward a state of maximum disorder.”
  2. Hebrews 1:10-11 - And: "You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands.
     11 They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment.
  3. This, among a zillion other reasons, is why evolution simply cannot be true! 
     a. The theory of evolution, and it is exactly that . . . a theory, says that things have progressively gotten better, smarter, more advanced without any outside influence!
     b. When left on their own, things tend to get worse . . . Not better.

EVERYTHING IN OUR LIVES LEFT UNATTENDED WILL EVENTUALLY FALL APART AND DISINTEGRATE!
A. Your body will fall apart if you don’t take care of it! If you don’t believe that, TRY NOT BRUSHING YOUR TEETH for a while.
   • Tooth decay occurs when your teeth are frequently exposed to foods containing carbohydrates (starches and sugars) like soft drinks (colas)n candy, ice cream, milk, cakes, and even fruits, vegetables and juices (seems like all the good stuff).
     Natural bacteria live in your mouth and forms plaque.
   • The plaque interacts with deposits left on your teeth from sugary and starchy foods to produce acids.
   • Over time, these acids damage tooth enamel by dissolving, or demineralizing, the mineral structure of teeth, producing tooth decay and weakening the teeth, eventually causing them to fall out of your head!
B. Consider your HOUSE
   • If you don’t check for termites on a regular basis, you might find your house falling down around your ears!
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• Buildings are built on top of the ground, of course, and termites exploit the small cracks in building foundations to enter a structure.
• Once these termite pathways have been established, termites will work 24 hours a day, all year long . . . Workaholics in the true sense of the word.

C. Consider your CAR
• If you don’t periodically change the oil in your car . . . Its days of usefulness will be shortened, so begin developing a greater fondness for walking in the future.
• If you don’t wash it once and a while, the salt and corrosives will eat through the protective seal coat and begin to corrode that metal, and once day you will drive down the road with the quarter panels flapping in the breeze.

D. Consider you YARD
• Thanks to Adam, we now have to work the soil.
• If you just don’t do anything, your yard will grow up to the point where you eventually can’t see over the tallness of the grass and Hollywood will come calling wanting to film a Tarzan movie on your front lawn.
• Unfortunately, it won’t mow itself. . . . It doesn’t take care of itself.

E. Consider your MARRIAGE
• One of the problems in many marriages is this: The things you did to get your mate, you won’t do to keep them.
• The sweet nothings you whispered in her ear to woo her and convince her to marry you, fellows, will not be enough to suffice 5 years down the road.
• She needs fresh romance, fresh love, and fresh affirmation from you.

THE MOST IMPORTANT AREA IN WHICH WE MUST GUARD AGAINST DETERIORATION IS IN OUR WALK WITH GOD

A. How Satan desires that our relationship with God deteriorate.
• Oh how he wants to see that second law of thermodynamics (Everything tends toward disorder) be applied to our relationship with God.
• Our hearts can move in the direction of maximum disorder.
• We think things will be better on their own . . . They won’t!
• Brethren, if we do not practice some spiritual maintenance, it won’t be long before decay . . . deterioration . . . and disintegration take over and Before long:
  ➢ Our spirits will be destroyed.
  ➢ Our faith will become weak.
  ➢ Our resolves will be watered down.
  ➢ Our good habits will change.
  ➢ Regular Bible reading will fall by the wayside.
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- Attending services will come to an end.
- We will find ourselves to be both in the world and OF the world.
- We will not be faithful.
- We will not be Christians.
- But . . . We will be lost!

B. Spiritual deterioration is often more visible to others around us than it is to ourselves. I am confident that God wants us to constantly renew our relationship with Him. Not for His benefit . . . But for ours.
- Some of us are trying to survive on stale bread.
- Some of us are trying to find direction from stale vision.
- Some of us are trying to remain saved with stale beliefs.
- Some of us are trying to sing with stale joy.
- Some of us are trying to keep smiling with stale hope.
- Some of us are trying to keep running the race with stale legs.

C. It is time to go to God and His Holy Word and find some fresh oil!
- Psalm 92:10 – . . . I have been anointed with fresh oil.
- Philippians 2:12 - Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;
- Salvation is a journey . . . And I must work at being saved . . . I must maintain the salvation that God has given me.
- 1 Corinthians 9:27 - But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified. (“be a castaway” KJV)
- 1 Corinthians 15:31) - . . . I die daily.

We never want to wake up and say:
- “I don’t need to pray today!”
- “I don’t need to repent today!”
- “I don’t need to seek forgiveness today!”
- “I don’t need to meditate on God and His Word today!
- “I don’t need to grow anymore spiritually today!”

D. There is not a day goes by that I do not need to be in the presence of God . . . The One that can:
- Forgive my sin.
- Restore my joy.
- Renew my mind.
- Cleanse my heart.
- Love my like no other can.

E. Left to my own, isolated, untouched by the Master’s hand, I am tending toward maximum disorder . . . . . But I don’t have to be. I want to be anointed with:
- Fresh oil from the endless supply of Heaven.
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- Fresh vision
- Fresh faith
- Fresh love
- Fresh commitment
- Fresh obedience
- Fresh consecration
- Fresh growth
- Fresh determination
- Fresh resolve for to me my best for my best

PSALM 92:10 STATES THE NEED FOR FRESHNESS.
Psalm 92:10 – . . . I have been anointed with fresh oil.
A. David speaks often in the Psalms of the need for TODAY’S oil for today . . . not yesterday’s oil for today!
   - Psalm 61:8 - So I will sing praise to Your name forever, That I may **daily** perform my vows.
   - Psalm 68:19 - Blessed be the Lord, Who **daily** loads us with benefits, The God of our salvation! Selah
   - Psalm 72:15 – He shall live . . . And **daily** He shall be praised.
   - Psalm 86:3 - Be merciful to me, O Lord, For I cry to You **all day long**. (“For I cry unto thee **daily**” KJV)
B. The Manna in the wilderness was supposed to be gathered daily . . . Only enough for that day.
   - Only on the eve of the Sabbath were they to gather enough for the next day.
   - If they tried to keep today’s manna until tomorrow, the Bible says it rotted . . . Stank . . . And worms came out of it.
   - **Yesterday’s manna is not good enough for today!**
C. In the model Prayer as recorded in Matthew 6, Jesus said, “Give us **this day** our **daily bread**.” Matthew 6:11
   - Not yesterday’s bread
   - Not day-before-yesterday’s bread
   - Not last week’s bread.
   - Not tomorrow’s bread.
   - Today’s bread . . . fresh . . . Prepared for today’s hunger.
D. Pertaining to following After Him, Jesus said in **Luke 9:23** - Then He said to them all, ”If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross **daily**, and follow Me.
E. The apostles understood the need for daily dedication,
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- **Acts 2:46-47** - So continuing **daily** with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart,
  
  47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church **daily** those who were being saved.

- **Acts 5:42** - And **daily** in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

F. Every morning when you and I wake up, we need fresh mercy.

- **Lamentations 3:22-23** - Through the LORD’s mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not.
  
  23 They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

- It doesn’t matter what happened yesterday . . . How badly we failed . . . How far astray we went . . . The point is, **there is fresh mercy for today!**

THE DANGER WE FACE WHEN WE FAIL TO RENEW DAILY IS THAT OF LOSING JESUS.

A. In Luke 2:41-47, Luke tells us about the occasion when Jesus was 12-years-old and accompanied His parents to the feast in Jerusalem. That’s the story where they lost Him.

1. **Where did His parents lose Him?**
   
   - They lost him in the holy city.
   - They lost Him in the city of God.
   
   - **It is possible to remain in a religious setting and lose Christ.**
     
     - One can be religious . . . But religiously wrong. Example Saul of Tarsus.

2. **When did they lose Him?**
   
   - While fulfilling their customs.
   - While fulfilling their rituals.
   
   - **It is possible to fulfill our customs, standards, rules and regulations, and lose Jesus.**

3. **Why did they lose Him?**
   
   - They supposed He was with them . . . But He wasn’t.
   - They did not bother to check . . . They just assumed.
   - Just like Samson in the Book of Judges when he arose and knew not that the presence of God had departed from Him.

3. **Where did they find Him?**
   
   - Not where they had been . . . But where Jesus had been all the time . . .
   - Going about His Father’s business.
   
CONCLUSION:
A. Yesterday’s homeruns will not win today’s ballgame!
B. God has a new supply of all good things everyday . . . Avail yourselves of
   them!
C. Psalm 92:10 — . . . I have been anointed with fresh oil.
D. Christianity is a growing religion . . . Grow with it.
   Christianity is a faithful religion . . . Be faithful to it.
   Christianity is a worthy religion . . . Live worthy of it!
   Christianity is a daily religion . . . Live it daily.
E. Don’t worry about tomorrow . . . God is already there . . . And there for you.
F. Seek fresh oil each day and enjoy the greatness of God’s daily blessings for
   your life. Lamentations 3:22-23 - Through the LORD's mercies we are not
   consumed, Because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning;
   Great is Your faithfulness.
G. God’s Plan for Man’s Salvation