



# Lessons from the olive tree

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## Olive Leaf – New Life, New Beginning

Genesis 8:6-12 (KJV)

6 And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made:

7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.

8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

10 And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;

11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

## Olive Oil – Holy and Anointed

Exodus 30:22-25 (KJV)

22 Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure myrrh five hundred shekels, and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels,

24 And of cassia five hundred shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an hin:

25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil.









## Green Olive Tree

Psalms 52:1-9 (KJV)

16 The LORD called thy name, A scorner, O vain man, and of goodly fruit: with the rise of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

17 For the LORD of hosts that planted thee, hath pronounced speak against thee for the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves, over the meanness of their tongue.

18 God shall likewise destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the living. Selah.

6 The righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him:

7 Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.

8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

9 I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done it: and I will wait on thy name; for it is good before thy saints.

## Cultivated and Wild Olive Trees

### Nehemiah 8:13-15 (KJV)

13 And first of these the lay was gathered together, the chief of the fathers of all, and that they should gather the Levites, and all the families, and in the midst of, saying, "Go out to the mountain, and bring olive branches, branches of oil tree, myrtle branches, palm branches, and branches of leafy trees to make booths, as it is written." [NKJV]

And that they should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month:

And that they should publish this word and spread it through their towns and in Jerusalem; "Go out into the hill country, and bring back branches, from pine trees, wild olive trees, and from myrtle, palm, and other trees, to make booths, as it is written." [NIV]

And that they should graft into their own olive tree?

and that they should proclaim it and publish it in all their towns and in Jerusalem, "Go out to the hills and bring branches of olive, wild olive, myrtle, palm, and other leafy trees to make booths, as it is written." [ESV]

# Lessons from the olive tree

- Jesus often went up on the Mount of Olives to be with His Father in prayer
- Jesus approached Jerusalem by way of the Mount of Olives as He made His descent to face the Cross
- He spoke of the coming of His kingdom from the Mount of Olives
- After He instituted the Lord's Supper with His disciples, Jesus and His disciples went out to the Mount of Olives
- He entered the garden of Gethsemane (meaning, oil-press) at the foot of the Mount of Olives, which was probably where the oil was pressed out of the olives taken from the surrounding hills
- The Lord Jesus ascended back to His Father in heaven from the Mount of Olives
- His feet will stand again on the Mount of Olives when God sends him once more to establish God's Kingdom on earth