More Than Enough

"...You anoint my head with oil; My cup overflows." Psalms 23:5 NIV

- Anointing means to set apart for a special purpose.
- Hebrew literally means "to fatten," implies abundance and prosperity
 - Proverbs 11:25 "The generous will *prosper*; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed."
 - Proverbs 13:4, 15:30, 28:25
- The anointing is when our lives are marked and set apart by the goodness of God and the power of his Spirit
 - o Different from success; it's a work of God that comes from surrender and trust
- This is what Jesus offers us at the table (shepherd metaphor and food metaphor)
 - o Isaiah 55:1-3, 6-13
- Sometimes, we want God's power without going through God's process
 - o David was anointed as a teenager, but didn't become king until he was 30 years old

Shepherds put oil on the heads and noses of their sheep to protect them from flies and from butting heads with each other

The anointing protects us from:

- Temptations
 - James 1:14-15
 - The devil tries to twist our God-given desires and abilities into something that ultimately causes us to hurt ourselves
 - Philippians 4:8-9
- Conflicts
 - There is no such thing as a perfectly safe relationship, but when we are willing to go to Jesus, we can experience his compassion
 - Ephesians 4:2-3
- "My cup overflows"
 - o I'm no longer thirsty
 - My satisfaction is evident
 - I'm gentle and patient
 - lames 1:19-21
- When we don't feel anointed:

- o Oil comes from pressure
 - James 1:2-4
 - God is at work in your life right now

Come to the table and let him lead you into his anointing!