<u>Intro</u>: Lavender and Valor are two oils I have used to anoint people, along with prayer (James 5:14). Psalm 23:5 says the Lord, our Shepherd, anoints "my head with oil." Today let us open our Bibles to smell the holy fragrance of the Anointed One: Jesus Christ.

I. The Anointed Prophet

- a. Elijah anointed Elisha to carry on prophetic work
- b. God anoints his prophets to speak his word
- c. Jesus invoked Isaiah 61:1 to authorize his ministry

II. The Anointed Priest

- a. The oil represents the holy touch of God
- b. The fragrance signifies God's holy presence
- c. Represents God to the people, and the people to God

III. The Anointed King

- a. Solomon was the first Son of David to serve as king
- b. The people knew Zech. 9:9; Jesus knew Zech. 12:10
- c. Jesus took the children's praise to the highest level

Close: Jesus is the *Messiah*, the *Christ*, the *Anointed One*.

As our anointed Prophet, he is the Word of God.

As our anointed Priest, he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins.

As our anointed King, he is the ruler of creation forever.