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Rastalogy Class: Healing (Unction of the Sick)

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BLESSED BE JAH RASTAFARI, HAILE SELASSIE I LIVETH !

Greeting in the name of His Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I.

Thank you Initiates and visitors for coming to our Rastalogy Class today.

The Topic for this evening is Healing (Unction of the Sick): which is the Calling on the God of all ages Yahweh Elohim Sabboath to give cure to the body of the faithful

Unction of the sick is separated from other forms of religious anointing. "Unction" (is an older term - Hebrew word with the same meaning) as its name indicates, for the benefit of a sick person. Other religious anointing occurs in relation to other Sacraments, in particular Baptism, confirmation and ordination, and also in the coronation of a monarch.

The chief Biblical text concerning the rite of this office, which is the Raphael's office, is (James 5:14-15): "is any among you. sick". Also other related quotes in this regard is (Matthew 10:8, Luke 10:8-9, and Mark 6:13). Anointing of the Sick is one of the seven **Sacraments** of the **Church of Emperor Haile Selassie I**, and is associated not only with bodily healing but with forgiveness of sins. Only the Raphael office can administer it, and any Priest may carry the holy oil with him, so that in a case of necessity he can administer the sacrament of anointing of the sick. (Luke 10:17-19) – [Authority].

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The Church of Haile Selassie I sees the effects of the sacrament as follows: as the sacrament of marriage gives grace or goodwill for the married state, the sacrament of 'Anointing of the Sick' gives grace or goodwill for the state into which people enter through sickness. Through the sacrament, one is given a gift of the righteousness that renews confidence in The Might of the Trinity, strengthens against temptations to discouragement, the complete loss of hope and anguish at the thought of death, the struggle of death (Genesis 3:15) and the temptations of the adversary. The Unction prevents the initiate from losing hope in God Haile Selassie I, His justice, truth and salvation.

The special goodwill of the sacrament of the 'Anointing of the Sick' has its effects: the uniting of the Sick person to the passion of the Might of the Trinity the Christ, for his or her own good and that of the whole Church; the strengthening of peace, and courage to endure in an Initiate manner the suffering of illness or old age, and the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the ***Penance*** sacrament, the restoration of health, if it is possible, even to the salvation of his or her soul: the preparation for going over to the elements.

The actual anointing of the Sick person is done on the forehead, and with the prayer - "through this holy anointing may the Lord Emperor Haile Selassie I, in his love and mercy, help you with the goodwill of the Might of the Trinity". And on the hands with the prayer - "may the lord Emperor Haile Selassie I who frees you from sin, save you and raise you up". To each prayer the Sick person, if able responds: "Amen".

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