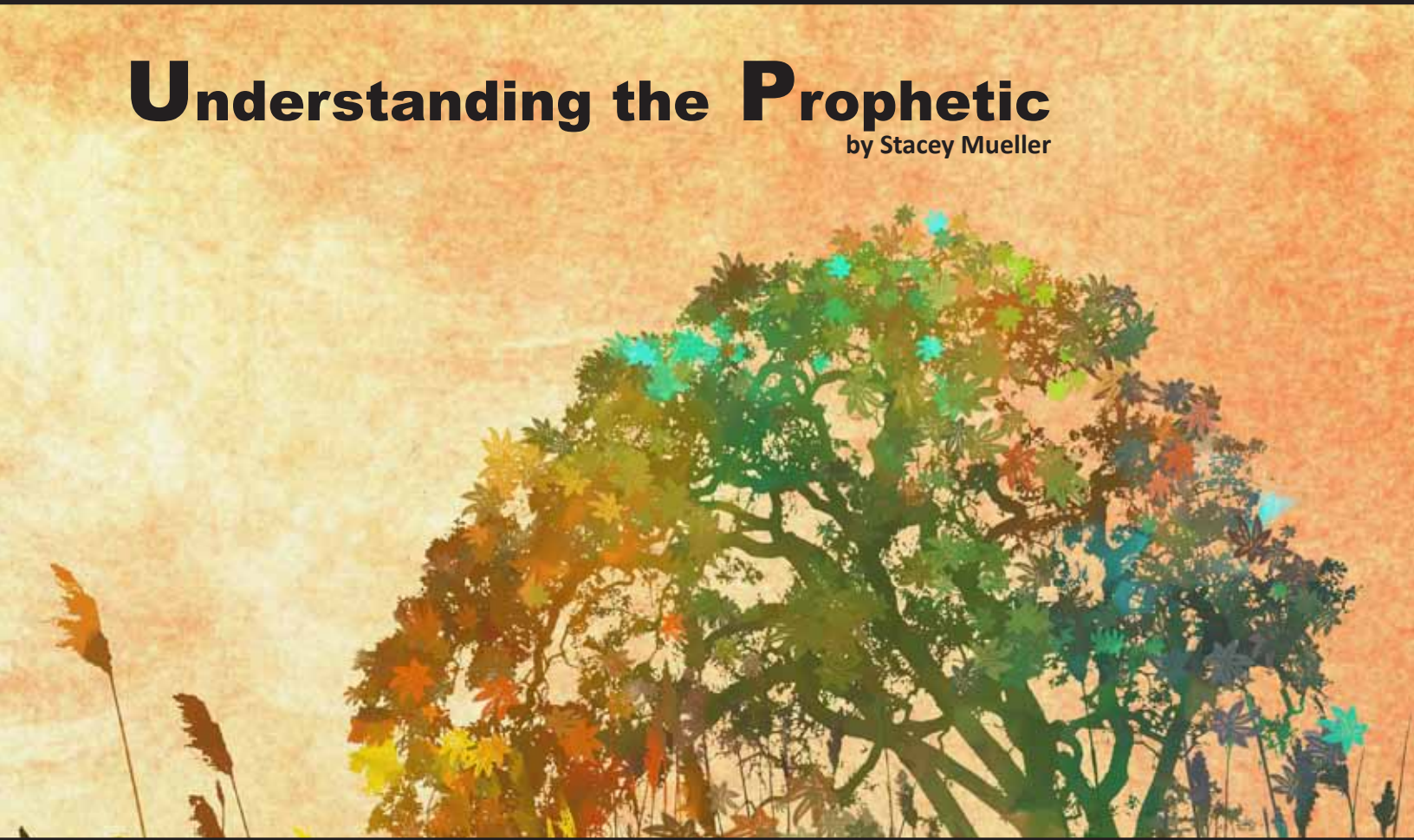




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OF JESUS IS THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY."

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THE JOURNEY

It was April Fool's Day, 1993 when I ventured into the Pond Stadium in Anaheim, California. Most people who come to this indoor arena have bought tickets to see the Ducks play hockey or to enjoy a concert like the Rolling Stones. My first visit was not for entertainment! I had been invited to go to a Good Friday healing service after a friend of mine learned I had been extremely sick for months. Since doctor after doctor couldn't figure out what was wrong with me, my heart was completely open to this unusual invitation.

As we pulled up to the arena, I was shocked at the droves of people gathering to this place; some in wheelchairs, others limping in on canes, while some seemed perfectly good and healthy. I could not believe this many people were going to a religious gathering on a Friday night! But what was even more amazing was the electric energy that greeted me when I walked in! It was so real and so tangible that I felt like I was wrapped up in a warm fuzzy blanket that clothed my skin. Seriously, I could barely stand because it was so weighty, and deep down inside I knew that something big was about to happen that would change my life.

Immediately I inquired as to what I was experiencing. My friend shared I was feeling the presence of God. I have never heard that before, let alone felt it! After listening to her tell me about Jesus making a way for me to get to know God, I wanted to know Jesus. Without hesitation, I asked Jesus to come into my heart and thanked him for dying on the cross for my sins. **Suddenly, the fire of God exploded in me and around me for what seemed like an eternity!** I was thirty years old at the time, and I will never forget how the Lord's glory made for such an explosive experience that I could not see anyone around me in the packed stadium of people. When this inferno of light finally lifted, I was drowning in so much peace I could not feel one bone in my body, nor did I have one care in my mind!

I thought everyone had that same experience when they met their Maker, but later I came to find out that wasn't the case. God just knew how to introduce Himself to me to get my attention. He knew I needed a dramatic event to swallow me completely so that the gift of determination and passion He gave me would take a U-turn toward Him! My Dad used to tell me, *"Stacey, you are like a piece of dynamite. You need to learn how to give it out a little at a time."* I had gotten into so much trouble in the past because of that passion and zest for life being used for seemingly right and definitely wrong reasons. People had a hard time handling me when I exploded!!! Now God came to me in the way He made me.....an explosion of His glory and power zapping me in Him! I began praying in tongues immediately after asking Jesus in my heart and the journey to understand the Holy Spirit, the power of God, and the love of my Father began to unfold in my life!



I went home that night after communion was taken and couldn't sleep. I was afraid that God would leave me! The glory of God just continued to fill my room all through the night! It looked as though I had turned on all the lights, but I hadn't. It was the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit cloaking me with His love and His power. To this day that was probably one of my favorite moments with God.

Two days later, I went to work at the Cheesecake Factory on Easter Sunday. I was a Manager at that time and all the employees could see I was not the same. I had tears welling up in my eyes as I saw people's hearts coming to the restaurant and not knowing Him. My heart was broken. The employees were mystified! I could look into them and see their lost soul somehow as God revealed their brokenness in my eyes. Some were shaken when I stared. Some ran as if ashamed. And some came close with curiosity. They all saw something had changed in me. It was Him! And His glory was shining through me!

The following Tuesday I went to the church with the friend who introduced me to Jesus. It was a charismatic church....I didn't really know what that meant. I just wanted to learn about Jesus and to be close to Him. She had invited me to go a little early before the service to their prayer room to pray for the service. I thought to myself, *"There must be other people in this room that speak in tongues as well. Perhaps I will learn a thing or two."* As the intercession went forth, I heard all these people start to make funny noises, like groaning and crying. I asked my friend what was going on. She said that they were interceding for the heart of the Father for His people through groaning and travail. I thought that was pretty cool, and as soon as I thought that, the Holy Spirit started to move in me that way as well. I went with the flow knowing that it was a work to do for the Father....no other questions was needed. I simply believed and submitted to His lead.

A week went by and I had been reading the word and enjoying the working of the Holy Spirit working so radically in my prayer time. **I found myself in complete surrender to whatever the Holy Spirit moved in me....and my training began.** I really didn't know I was in training at the time, but looking back, I see God wasted no time! A week into my journal, I had written that the Holy Spirit revealed to me that I would be walking in the prophetic. Of course, I knew of the prophets in the Bible as little as I had known the Lord so I didn't really understand what that meant, not did I get a picture of what that looked like. I just figured I had a lot of learning ahead of me.

The church I was going to was primarily a bible school and a church secondarily. **I really felt after being water baptized on my 6 month spiritual birthday that God had called me into ministry, especially after the Lord told me I was going to be used prophetically.** I thought that the only way I would be able to fulfill that call would be to attend bible school, as so I put my application in and waited for the money to come in. On the first day of school, I was standing in line waiting to turn in my tuition. My application had been approved but I just lacked the money to go. This did not detour my determination one bit! I had big faith that God would show up miraculously,



even if it was the midnight hour to bring me that tuition.

There was just one more person standing in the admissions line in front of me and my stomach was now getting tight. Where was God? Why wasn't He showing up? Finally, it was my turn. I stood in front of the admissions person with such a stupor. I didn't have the money to give her. I looked around in hopes someone would hand me an envelope, but no one appeared. I finally looked at her with such a feeling of disappointment and said, *"I don't have the money. God is never late. This must not be His plan for me."* I left the building crying. I could not stop crying the whole way to my car. All I could think of was that I was not good enough to serve the Lord! He had not chosen me! (That in itself just cracks me up today!) As I was walking across the field to get to my car, I could feel the gentle presence of the Holy Spirit comforting me. Then the Lord spoke to my Spirit, *"Stacey, do not be discouraged. This was My protection that closed those doors, not My rejection. I have called you to do the work of ministry, but I want to be the one who pours into your Spirit. I want you to sit with Me. I want you to hear from Me. I want to share with you My Word and My revelation. I want you to go to My School!"*

With those words in my spirit, I ran home as quickly as I could and began diving into the Word. Each day I would spend time with the Father, reading His Word and praying relentlessly until I saw His face. And each Sunday for the first few months, God would confirm what He gave me as I heard the same revelation being spoken of behind the pulpit; almost verbatim at times! It was gloriously creepy! I began to trust in His voice, and trust in His Word. And I began exploring the Helper, the Holy Spirit and all that He has to give us.

Three years later, on my spiritual birthday, I rented a motor home and went to Zion National Park. I was 33 at the time, and I found that to be so significant since it was the similar age of Jesus during His year of resurrection. Being that my name Stacey means, *"Resurrection,"* I found it comforting to be walking in the steps of Jesus, going to the mountain as Jesus did often when He wanted to be alone with the Father. And this journey was a turning point for me. My identity of who I was and who He made me to be was birthed!

During this trip, God opened up His class on teaching me on understanding the prophetic. I would journal and write what He was showing me and then I would go on the trails that day with the revelation He shared with me and walk it out. He would point to people for me to walk up to and ask if they needed prayer. It was at these moments, God would then start putting His Word in my spirit to speak and I would step out shakily with the ounce of faith I had. And every time, Jesus showed up! I wasn't perfect, but God perfected Me through those experiences on how to trust Him and how to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit to be a vessel to speak His Word. I left Zion with a journal of notes and experiences, and my final entrée said it all. *"This was the beginning of greater things to come as I have laid a foundation in you strong in Me. Walk with Me, and I will speak My WORD through you!"*



I came home from that whole experience and was so eager to step out in this prophetic anointing. Little did I know at that time that I would be met with such great challenges of resistance in the place I thought would be safe to step out in – the church! For the next few years, I literally felt as Jesus did when the Pharisee’s were trying to discredit, accuse, mock, and kill Him. This gift was met with so much resistance, but God turned it around to help me understand how to be strengthened in Him. He expanded my heart to know the love of the Father and the sacrifice that Jesus made for us. **He began rooting out all fears that would later destroy My place and position in the spirit God wanted to give me access too. And He wanted to teach me how to keep my heart pure before Him no matter what came against me. I was in some serious naval seals training in the spirit!** I felt the pain Elijah went through and found myself going to the garden of Gethsemane quite a lot asking God if there was an easier way to serve Him! I would even cry out the words that Jesus did in complete pain and frustration, *“Not my will but yours!”* And as with all father’s who come alongside their daughters who are struggling and hurt, God would comfort me and carry me for awhile as I was tucked away in Him until I was ready to go out again.

In the midst of those years of being rejected by the church, God would direct my path to His leaders outside the four walls and bring me before them to pray into their lives. It was outside the four walls of the church I gained most of my confidence and experience in walking out this gift and exploring beyond the boundaries of what I had seen in the church concerning the working of the Holy Spirit. He had me interceding for leaders, our nation, His kingdom plan, and then sending people my way to speak into their lives. God always created the path for me to step into. I just followed His lead.

17 years have now passed since the Lord called me to walk in the prophetic. I have had amazing experiences along the way, and scars that went deep from learning all the INS and out you need to know to be equipped with to walk in this gift. Today God is now sending me leaders in the church who are seeking out the Word God wants to give them to strengthen them. And now, for the first time ever, God has opened up a door for me to teach on the prophetic. I really hadn’t even considered that I had never taught on it before until I was recently asked to do so. I have done a lot of teachings in the past, but this was not one I ever taught; it was one that was caught as God was using me!

When I began to sit down and prepare to teach on the prophetic, I was a bit overwhelmed as this topic is so big and wide and I only really had an hour to share. So I decided to go to the scriptures that popped into my heart and start taking notes. Later, I found journals I had written in, WORDS that God had me publish, and discovered God had me on a bigger journey here than I had anticipated. The notes went beyond that meeting. They became the first fruit of this manual I have put together here.



Tomorrow, April 1, 2011, will be my spiritual 18th birthday! I find the timing of releasing this prophetic teaching was the total providence of God in my life! As I prepared, I went through the past 17 years of preparation, notes, journals, and experiences! How great tomorrow will be with new beginnings, where I am 18 in the Lord, an adult!!! Ha! And I can soar with Him to new heights in this next season as I pay tribute to His workings in me these past 17 years through this manual!

Interestingly and most astonishing was that the past two weeks I have seen two eagles on three separate occasions gliding in the sky over my head. I felt like the Lord was just speaking to me through those eagles to come up higher in Him! It was time to soar with Him in the spirit and to find a home in my heart that gives place to His Kingdom Purpose for such a time as this. Jesus is coming back quickly and His Word is quickening! God is on the move to unite the body of Christ in Him so we are a prepared bride for the Commander in Chief!

To all my friends and family who stood by me through thick and thin, through accusations and praises, through trials and triumphs, through tests and then the testimonies, thank you for never leaving me nor forsaking me. You were God's hand and heart that showed me He has been by my side through it all, and each one of you has helped give me wings to fly high in Him!

Sincerely in Christ,

Stacey Mueller



PART 1 -THE PROPHETIC WORD



Chapter One is dedicated to laying a simplistic foundation of what the Bible tells us about prophecy by answering some basic questions many believers have when diving into this subject. Working upon this foundation, I will attempt in the subsequent chapters to add layers of understanding and revelation about the prophetic. You will find throughout this manual that I have less to say about the subject matter personally because God has already spoken His truth through the scriptures from Genesis to Revelation. Therefore, it is my goal to point to His Word for the truth and understanding and allow Him to open up your heart with His revelation. So, let's start with some basic questions.....

Has God raised up prophets today?

YES!

Ephesians 4:11-13 "And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers for the equipping of the saints, for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.."

Is there a difference between a prophet and someone the Holy Spirit uses to prophesy?

YES!

Some people are called to be chefs, but we can all cook a meal. Some people are called to teach, but we are all put in positions when we teach at times. Some people are called to be prophets, but we can all prophesy at times.

Can God use any believer to give a prophetic word?

YES!

At His will, and when there is a partnership with the Holy Spirit. The believer needs to be willing to yield to the Holy Spirit's promptings and then activate that gift by stepping out in faith behind that leading. Many Christians do not see this gift in operation in their own lives because of a lack of knowledge about the gift and a lack of faith that God could use them. He is looking for vessels that surrender to the Holy Spirit, not perfect vessels! It is the same Holy Spirit that dwells in all believers!



John 7:38, 39 *“He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.” But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.”*

Can you explain the purpose of the Holy Spirit?

God has given us the gift of the Holy Spirit, “the Helper,” the power of God, to equip the body of Christ, not only for the one whom He dwells with because of their faith in the Savior, but also for those who needs His help when we allow Him to work through us.

John 14:16,17 *“And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever-the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither see Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”*

John 16:13,14 *“However, when He, the Spirit of Truth, has come He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.”*

Can you explain how God uses the Holy Spirit to help?

1 Corinthians 12:7-11 *But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: for one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kind of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.”*

People often misinterpret this last line in this verse to mean that God will choose who He will allow to receive and operate in these gifts of the Holy Spirit. That is not what it says. He chooses to distribute these gifts when He wants to equip a Christian to know more about Him and to minister when the gift is required for ministering to someone who needs to receive from Him. But He is not a respecter of persons. He doesn't give one person a little bit of the Holy Spirit, and another a different bit.



The Holy Spirit is the same in all of us, able to function in all these ways:

- *Profits all!*
- *The Power of God, the Holy Spirit, demonstrated through these different gifts.*
- *At His will, the gifts of the Holy Spirit are manifested for His people. We are to avail ourselves and partner with the Holy Spirit through faith – the act of obedience in trusting that the Holy Spirit is truth.*

1 Corinthians 14:1 *“Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.”*
I never understood why God would put prophesy next in line to pursuing His love...But there are amazing reasons....keeping reading.

What is the purpose of the gift of prophecy?

1 Corinthians 14:3 *“But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.”*

Prophecy may involve predicting future events, but its main purpose is to communicate God’s message to people, providing insight, warning, correction, and encouragement. The WORD builds their faith!

1. **EDIFICATION**- building up of the soul, uplift, moral improvement or guidance, improvement, instruction, enlightenment, especially when morally or spiritually uplifting.
2. **EXHORTATION** – a speech or written passage intended to persuade, inspire, or encourage; to thoroughly encourage, urge; an utterance, discourse, or address conveying urgent advice or recommendations.
3. **COMFORT** – To soothe, console, or reassure; bring cheer to; to aid, support, or encourage; relief in affliction, a feeling of relief or consolation; to strengthen.

Acts 15:32 *“Now Judas and Silas, themselves being prophets also, exhorted and strengthened the brethren with many words.”*



PART 2 – GOD’S PURPOSE FOR PROPHETS



What is God's purpose for creating a prophet?

1

AT THE HEART OF THE FUNCTION OF THE PROPHETIC GIFTING IS TO PREPARE THE HEART OF GOD'S PEOPLE FOR HIS SALVATION BY BRINGING A MESSAGE OF REPENTANCE THAT CUTS TO THE HEART WHERE MERCY AND TRUTH CAN ENTER IN TO REVEAL HIS COVENANT HE MADE WITH MAN.

Hebrews 4:12 *"For the WORD of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."*

John the Baptist –First true prophet in 400 years that preceded Jesus:

Luke 1:15-17 *"For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. He will also go before Him in the spirit of power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord."*

Luke 1:76-79 *"And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Highest; for you will go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways, to give knowledge of salvation to His people, by the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, with which the Dayspring from on high has visited us; to give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."*

Matthew 3:1-3 *"In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah, saying: "The voice of one crying in the wilderness; 'Prepare the way of the Lord; Make His paths straight.'"*

We see the prophet calling out repentance; pointing to the King and what God's plan is and directing His people towards His plan.



The New Testament Church began with the prophetic proclamation of salvation from Peter:

- ACTS 2:4 – The Day of Pentecost *“And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.”*
- ACTS 2:12 – *“So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, ‘Whatever could this mean?’*
- ACTS 2:14-36 - Under the power of God, the prophetic utterance went forth as Peter raised his voice and spoke from the heart of God the truth about Jesus.
- ACTS 2:37 – We see the prophetic word in action, cutting to the heart and allowing the heart to receive the truth.
- ACTS 2:38 – Then Peter said to them, **“Repent!...”**
- ACTS 2:41 – Results of the Word going forth – *“Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.”*

Salvation means asking Jesus to be Lord and giving one’s heart to Him, but also means deliverance to a believer who’s soul is still in bondage to the works of darkness.



2

A SECOND FUNCTION OF THE PROPHETIC IS TO GIVE GOD'S PEOPLE A HEAVENLY PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT GOD IS DOING TO ACCOMPLISH HIS KINGDOM COVENANT PLAN AS WELL AS REVEAL HIS PLAN FOR THEM. THESE UTTERANCES HELP DEFINE A PERSON'S DESTINY IN HIM AS WE WERE ALL CREATED FOR HIS PURPOSE! THESE UTTERANCES ALSO SHARE THE HEARTBEAT OF WHAT GOD IS DOING IN THE BODY OF CHRIST IN PREPARATION FOR HIS KINGDOM. THESE UTTERANCES HELP GIVE UNDERSTANDING AND VALIDITY OF WHAT GOD IS DOING TO MAKE HIS PROMISES COME TRUE. THESE UTTERANCES CONFIRM GOD'S PLAN AS THEY UNFOLD. THESE UTTERANCES ARE HIS WORD CREATING HIS PURPOSE! (I PURPOSELY REITERATED THE WORD "UTTERANCES" BECAUSE IT IS THE PROPHETIC COMING FORTH THAT BRINGS LIGHT AND ARE USED IN THE CREATION OF HIS PLAN AND PURPOSE!)

Jesus, the greatest prophet of all, gives us this model throughout the gospels, prophesying what would happen according to His Father's plan after he died. Here is one example:

***John 14:16-21** "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever – the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."*

Paul gives us an example of the prophetic gift in action for the purpose of sharing God's kingdom plan:

***Acts 19:6** "And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied. Acts 19:8 "And he went into the synagogue and spoke boldly for three months, reasoning and persuading concerning the things of the kingdom of God."*



Today, the prophets are sharing with the body of Christ what God is doing today as it relates to His kingdom plan already established and laid out in the Bible written by men who were moved by the prophetic gifting. They are revealing the pulse of God, the heartbeat of what He is doing today and how it relates to His everlasting covenant plan. Revelation belongs to God until He chooses to reveal it. (Deuteronomy 29:29) We know in part and prophecy in part. This keeps us humble. But God brings the fullness of His word when He is ready so that He gets all the glory.

Here is a prophetic word published on April 10, 1999 to edify the body of Christ. This WORD is now being manifest today, twelve years later, as it revealed what God's perspective was on what He was doing to perfect His kingdom plan as it relates to the body of Christ:

“FOR I AM POSITIONING MY PEOPLE FOR PROSPERITY. I AM MOVING ONE HERE, AND TAKING ONE THERE TO ALIGN MY PEOPLE FOR MY PURPOSES. OBEDIENCE WILL BE THE KEY TO THEIR DESTINY, AS I WILL CAUSE THE DOORS TO OPEN UP WHEN THEY FOLLOW MY LEAD. AND AS THEY JOURNEY INTO A STEP OF FAITH, AND LEAVE THE OLD BEHIND, I WILL BRING FORTH GREAT TREASURES, YES, HIDDEN TREASURES IN SECRET PLACES. IT IS TIME FOR THOSE TREASURES TO BE RELEASED, AND FOR MY WEALTH TO GET INTO CHOSEN HANDS. BUT THEY MUST LISTEN TO MY LEADING AND FOLLOW MY FAVOR, AND LEAVE THE OLD BEHIND. FOR IT IS THERE THAT THEY WILL RECEIVE THE BLESSINGS, AS I HAD PROMISED MY SON ABRAHAM.

AND I SAY TO MY PEOPLE, ‘THINK IT NOT STRANGE OF THE TRIALS THAT ARE BEFORE YOU THIS DAY. THINK IT NOT STRANGE OF THE DULLNESS THAT STARES AT YOUR HEART. FOR I AM DOING A NEW THING IN YOU. NOW IT SHALL SPRING FORTH. AND IT WILL HAVE A GRACE AND A COVERING THAT IS LIKE NO OTHER YOU HAVE SEEN BEFORE. I AM TURNING YOUR POSITION, AND ALIGNING YOU BY MY GRACE. LEAVE THE PAST BEHIND AND THE THINGS THAT HAVE GROWN STALE IN YOUR HEART, AND PREPARE YOURSELF FOR THE NEW THING I HAVE IN STORE FOR YOU. YES, IT IS MY



TIMING FOR YOU TO MOVE UP AND OUT. FOR THERE WILL BE SOME WHO WILL MISS OUT OF THIS GREAT OUTPOURING. IT WILL BE THOSE WHO ARE AFRAID TO STEP OUT AND DARE TO BELIEVE THAT I AM WHO I SAY THAT I AM, AND THAT I WILL DO WHAT I SAY I WILL DO. BUT FOR THOSE WHO ARE WILLING, I AM WAITING. IT WILL BE A BOUNTIFUL TIME, A SEASON OF FULFILLED EXPECTATIONS, AND MOMENTS WHERE THE IMPOSSIBLE IS MADE POSSIBLE. YES, IT WILL BE A SEASON OF GREAT HARVEST, AND DESIRES OF THE HEART WILL COME TO PASS.

THE KEY WILL BE IN THE REQUIREMENT. THE REQUIREMENT TO MOVE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, TO LEAVE PAST RELATIONSHIPS, JOBS, ROUTINES, AND TO GO THROUGH THE DOORS I AM PROVIDING. IT WILL BE THE BIGGEST STEP OF FAITH FOR SOME, AND THE REWARD WILL BE AS GREAT AS THE FAITH. I WILL NOT LET THEM DOWN FOR BELIEVING IN ME. I WILL NOT LET THEM DOWN WHEN TRUST IS THE KEY. I WILL HONOR MY PROMISE IF THEY FOLLOW MY LEAD.”



3

A THIRD FUNCTION IS TO WARN GOD'S PEOPLE OF THINGS TO COME SO THEY CAN MAKE PREPARATIONS.

Elijah gives us many examples in the Old Testament. Here is just one:

1 Kings 17:1 "Now Elijah, who was from Tishbe in Gilead, told King Ahab, "As surely as the Lord, the God of Israel, lives-the God whom I worship and serve-there will be no dew or rain during the next few years unless I give the WORD!"

Three and a half years pass and then Elijah proclaims to the King:

1 Kings 18:41 "Then Elijah said to Ahab, "Go and enjoy a good meal! For I hear a mighty rainstorm coming!"

In the New Testament we see God has not changed. Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever! He is still giving his people His word so they can prepare for what is ahead:

Acts 11:27-29 "And in those days, prophets came from Jerusalem to Antioch. Then one of them, named Agabus, stood up and showed by the Spirit that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar. Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea."

Prophetic Word to the God's People to make preparations toward unity:

In 1997, the Lord was speaking to me about the days ahead for the body of Christ. At that time, America was in a time of great prosperity. The body of Christ was flourishing with great ministries such as Oral Roberts, Billy Graham, Benny Hinn, Chuck Smith to just name a few. At that time it seemed the only way to serve God was to leave your vocation and go to bible school or become a missionary in order to be a minister for God. At that same time, all the churches and ministries were so divided against each other instead of reaching out to one another to build a community for the Lord. Churches were building walls and closing themselves off to the outside world as well as other churches and ministries. This is the word the Lord shared to bring revelation of why some of God's people were finding themselves outside the box of "the church" and not fitting into the "mold" that had been modeled in ministry. Through this WORD, God's people could then understand what God was doing and prepare!



“FOR I AM CHARGING MY PEOPLE TO GO INTO THE WORK PLACE, INTO THE SPORTS ARENA AND UPON THE STAGE OF LIFE WITH MY SPIRIT, AND I WILL POUR MY ANOINTING ON ALL THAT THEY DO TO PROSPER THEM WHERE I PLANT THEM. FOR MY CHILDREN SHALL PROSPER AND BE IN PERFECT HEALTH. AND I WILL BRING ONE WITH A TALENT TO HELP THE OTHER WHO HAS A TALENT NEEDED, SO THAT MY BODY IS FILLED WITH DIFFERENT PARTS ALL DOING THEIR PART TO MAKE A WHOLE. AND IT WILL NOT BE A ONE MAN SHOW. FOR I NEED MY PEOPLE TO COME TOGETHER IN UNITY AND TO GIRD EACH OTHER UP SO THAT THEY WILL BECOME A NATION STRONG BY MY SPIRIT. AND AS THEY WALK ACCORDING TO MY RIGHTEOUSNESS AND ACCORDING TO MY CHARACTER, I WILL SEND THE ABUNDANCE OF RAIN ON THEIR LAND SO THAT THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A HARVEST PLENTY. AND MEN AND WOMEN ALIKE WHO DO NOT KNOW ME WILL SEE THAT THEY ARE BLESSED AND THEY WILL BE DRAWN BY MY SPIRIT. I WILL RELEASE A SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE UPON MY CHILDREN AND GUIDE THEM THROUGH TIMES OF TRIAL. YES, VICTORY WILL BE IN THEIR HAND AS I HOLD EACH ONE OF THEM UP. FOR WHAT MAN CAN SEE ME BUT THROUGH THE SPIRIT OF GRACE THAT IS UPON MY PEOPLE. FOR AS THE HOUR APPROACHES, AND THE TIMES BECOME DARK, IT WILL BE EACH LAMP HELD TOGETHER IN UNITY THAT WILL LIGHT THE PATH TO VICTORY. ONE BROTHER WILL BE THE GROCER, THE OTHER THE CARPENTER, BUT ALL WILL BE THE ANSWER TO PRAYER TO MAKE THE NEED COMPLETE. AND THE WEALTH OF THE WICKED WILL BE LAID UP FOR THE RIGHTEOUS. KNOW THAT IT IS THE SPIRIT OF GRACE THAT WILL OPEN DOORS. BUT AT DEAD WORKS I WILL TURN MY FACE. AND THEY WILL COME TO KNOW THAT IT IS NOT BY THEIR MIGHT, NOT BY THEIR POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT THAT OPENS THE DOORS TO TRUTH AND VICTORY.”



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A FOURTH FUNCTION OF THE PROPHETIC IS TO SANCTIFY AND HEAL WITH HIS TRUTH.

Sanctify; to make holy; set apart as sacred; consecrate; to purify or free from sin.

Synonyms - bless, hallow, anoint, exalt, purge, purify

God's purpose in the Old Testament in using prophets was to rescue Israel, God's people, from moral and spiritual decline. The word would be used to separate dark from light; a line drawn in the center of their heart. (Hebrews 4:12) God in his mercy would give them a word of correction to save them from further destruction.

In the Book of Joshua, Chapter 7, we see Joshua is interceding and praying to God for His people because they got attacked by the men of Ai not long after entering the "promised land." They had seen the walls of Jericho fall down and were able to destroy the city. All things were going well for them but they were given instructions by God not to take any of the accursed things from the city they were destroying. Some of them did. (Achan and his wife) Then all of the sudden, the children of Israel were getting defeated by such a small army of Ai that *"the hearts of the people melted and became like water."* To extend God's mercy to His people and to save them from further destruction because of their disobedience in taking the "accursed things," God sent His WORD to Joshua to deliver to the people.

Joshua 7:13 *"Get up, sanctify the people, and say, 'Sanctify yourselves for tomorrow, because thus says the Lord God of Israel: "There is an accursed thing in your midst, O Israel; you cannot stand before your enemies until you take away the accursed thing from among you."*

Because of God's word, Joshua knew what he and the children needed to do in order to get away from sin and the consequences of it. The word gave truth and caused the people to sanctify themselves so that God's anger would only be on those who had transgressed and not on the others.



Jesus himself is interceding on behalf of God's people as well and giving us a definition of what His Word will do.....

***John 17:17-21** (When Jesus is speaking to God before He is betrayed.) "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your WORD is truth. As you have sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they also may be sanctified by the truth. I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their WORD; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be on in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me."*

***John 15:3** "You are already clean because of the WORD which I have spoken to you."*

I used this example because Jesus declares here that the WORD will cause people to be sanctified and set apart from sin. This is not only the word written in scriptures, but also the word spoken through us by the power of the Holy Spirit as Jesus prays and intercedes for those future believers!



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A FIFTH FUNCTION OF THE PROPHETIC IS TO WAR IN THE HEAVENS AS THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH MAKING INTERCESSION THROUGH US FOR THE SAINTS. THROUGH PROPHETIC UTTERANCES, (THE WORD COUPLED WITH THE ANOINTING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT), GOD USES THOSE WORDS TO CHANGE THINGS IN THE SPIRIT REALM THAT CAN LATER BE SEEN IN THE NATURAL.

***Ephesians 6:17** “And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the **WORD** of God.”*

God says in Ephesians 6:12 that we do not war against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore, the battles we face many times needs to be won in the spirit first before we see natural breakthrough as this is part of God’s armor we need to put on. In the Christian life, we battle against the powerful evil forces of fallen angels headed by Satan who is a vicious fighter. To withstand the attacks, we depend on God’s strength and use every piece of His armor.

*In **Ephesians 6:18**, the scripture says, “praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit.”*

God is sharing with us here how powerful our prayers are because those words coupled with the anointing of the Holy Spirit are being used to change the spiritual atmosphere around you and those you are praying for and allowing His Word to subdue the enemy. In Ephesians 1:19-23, God gives us a picture of the power that Jesus has because of his victory on the cross which we inherit because He lives in us. And because Jesus lives inside of us, we have access to that same power when the Holy Spirit is leading us as we are agents for Him to fulfill His purpose. His purpose is always redemption and restoration of God’s people with a heavenly Father. God meets us in our weaknesses, so His plan is to come to our aid when we are getting beat up by demonic forces.

When we stand in the gap and pray and declare His WORD into the atmosphere as the Holy Spirit leads us, we are acting on behalf of the authority God has given us through the sacrifice of Jesus to carry out that plan. *“..and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at the right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in that which is to come. And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.”*



Having that knowledge of His Word, which is His truth, you can boldly take your authority you have in Jesus to fight on someone's behalf and declare His word over the situation and know God is moving things around for His glory!

Joshua shows us again an example of this function as well:

***Joshua 10:11-14** "And it happened, as they fled before Israel and were on the descent of Beth Horon, that the Lord cast down large hailstones from heaven on them as far as Azekah, and they died. There were more who died from the hailstones than the children of Israel killed with the sword. Then Joshua spoke to the Lord in the day when the Lord delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel: "Sun, stand still over Gibeon; And Moon, in the Valley of Aijalon." So the sun stood still, and the moon stopped, till the people had revenge upon their enemies. Is this not written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and did not hasten to go down for about a whole day. And there has been no day like that, before it or after it, that the Lord heeded the voice of a man; for the Lord fought for Israel."*

A prophetic person will go to battle for someone or something and bring it to the throne. Through intercession, God gives you His heart on the matter because the Holy Spirit is working it out. Then, He will cause you to speak His WORD prophetically over that situation. As the word goes forth, God works His creation through His WORD to bring that breakthrough.

***Romans 8:26** "And the Holy Spirit helps us in our distress. For we don't even know what we should pray for, nor how we should pray. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words. And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads for us believers in harmony with God's own will."*

In the New Testament in Acts, we see in Chapter 12 that King Herod was harassing the church and had just killed James, the brother of John, an apostle. Peter was next on his list, so he arrested him and threw him in jail. While he was in jail, the Bible says in verse 5 that "Peter was kept in prison, BUT constant prayer was offered to God for him by the church."



In this example, we see that Christians were standing in the gap for Peter, praying in the spirit and declaring God would set him free from the hand of the enemy. We know that was God's will because it is a part of God's heart – to redeem and to restore God's people from the hand of Satan. Therefore, I am using an educated guess here that prophetic utterances went forth in prayer, His word coupled with the anointing of the Holy Spirit, brought forth his deliverance in the spirit.

We see the fruit of these prayers in the natural as God sends an angel in verse 7 *“Now behold, an angel of the Lord stood by him, and a light shone in the prison; and he struck Peter on the side and raised him up, saying, “Arise quickly!” And his chains fell off his hands.”* The angel then continued to instruct Peter what to do and ushered him out of prison and down the street. Then Peter said, *“Now I know for certain that the Lord has sent His angel, and has delivered me from the hand of Herod and from all the expectation of the Jewish people.”* Circumstances changed as a result of prayer!

Many times, a prophetic person going to the throne of God will be used to pray in the spirit, (to pray in tongues) to allow God's heavenly WORDS to create and break things open in the spirit and the natural. When the prophetic proclamation comes as a result of that intercession, God's anointed WORD can shift and make things happen for Him and for the people God loves.

(Side note here: Keep in mind that even when we pray in our heavenly language, those are WORDS that come from God's heart that He is using to create His plan and purpose! We just have to believe and surrender and know that God is in control and avail ourselves trusting that the author and finisher of our faith is perfecting that creation through the Holy Spirit! Sometimes we will not understand what the Holy Spirit is saying through our tongues, but that is when we rest in obedience and the knowledge that His WORD is working for His purpose!!)

This is a function of the prophetic that I particularly love and when I experience God using me in this function, I see His majestic hand “BREAKTHROUGH” for that person who has not been able to get passed a certain place in the spirit and the natural. It is almost like a dam that is broken with the WORD and all the water backed up begins flowing and pouring out with His promises and His destiny for that person.



I understand that when God has me stand in the gap for that person in this function, it is God's timing to break forth His purpose for that person. It is not because I have a special way of praying! It is because His anointing has come with the Word God He is giving that will break it open because it is just HIS TIME! (*Ecclesiastes 3:1, "To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven."*)

God has a specific timing He brings us up from glory to glory and from step to step in the purpose of our destiny in Him. With each step comes greater responsibility because there is a greater sphere of influence of His glory. In order for us to be carriers of His glory, we need to be vessels that can contain His glory and not get crushed by its weight of responsibility. The responsibility is in one thing: how to stay behind the Lord and allow His glory to shine through you and not you to shine ahead of His glory!

Pride can so easily creep up and try to take credit and control of what He is doing, not us. It is not our responsibility to worry about what God does with His glory through us. It is our responsibility to keep our hearts pure so He can carry the responsibility of His glory without us interfering! Through trials and sufferings, God is able to work in us and through us a cleansing of our heart to have more of a heart like Him.

When a person is ready to receive more of God's glory, more of God's anointing, more of God's presence, God is then ready to BREAKTHROUGH and allow that glory to come into their lives. This glory then brings with it a new place in the spirit and the natural and so the vision God has given you for your life moves forward in Him.

When God uses a prophet to release this, it is a divine appointment by the Lord because you are His hands and feet releasing His purpose for that person that cannot happen without the WORD preceding the purpose of His glory.

Prophetic Example of Breakthrough that happened this year, 2011:

This year, (2011) I woke up on New Year's Day and was met with the Holy Spirit right away. I knew things had shifted in the spirit. God was about to bring breakthrough to so many leaders he had in the press, trials that were tough but life-giving in the heart of God. IT WAS HIS TIME to bring forth new revelations that would allow God's leaders to see His heavenly perspective of what He was doing so that they could all march forward under the leadership of the Commander of Chief!

I saw so many of God's saints, those he had chosen for such a time as this to lead His Kingdom cause, holding on to the hem of His garment. That was about all they had left. A seed of hope, learning how to trust God in all things. But God was about to change the landscape of their destiny!



We were staying with friends in Santa Barbara on that New Year's Day and spent almost the whole day in prayer, reading of His word, and worshipping together. The next day was Sunday, so we were all on our way to church. The pastor of their church was familiar with the prophetic gift in me as God had used me to pray for Him and others in the church before. But every time I had prayed for the pastor previously, I knew there would come a day when the Lord would use me to stand in the gap and pray over his destiny. I was waiting for His timing and for the Lord to prepare that table. When God prepares the table, He provides the manna (the WORD), the wine (new revelation), the people (his disciples), the breaking of bread (the hearts prepared to receive his WORD.) He also prepares the way. (Luke 22:8-14) God will go before you and prepare the way for His word to come forth.

God had put it in my heart the night before to pray for the pastor and his wife. As I entered the church and found my seat, the Lord prompted the wife to come over and greet me. I could tell just in conversation that her heart was so open to having someone pray for her. I asked her if it would be possible for us (my husband and I and our friends) to pray for her and her husband after church. You could see there was hope in her heart as I said those words and she left to go talk to her husband. Immediately she returned with a much hopeful yes! That was all I needed to know God was about to do something big. Their eagerness and humbleness to receive prayer told me this was a divine appointment.

There were no walls of pride inhibiting the Holy Spirit to shine forth. And so, we began praying. As with every time God has me step out and pray, I never know what God is really going to do. I just begin, inviting the Holy Spirit to take the lead and help us pray. And then I wait.... I wait until the Holy Spirit gives me a word or two to pray. Sometimes I if I am not getting anything at that time, I start praying scriptures over the person, knowing that the WORD will not return void as I speak His promises over their life. Sometimes I just start praying in tongues and allow God's heavenly language, HIS WORD, to pray over their situation since the Holy Spirit is God's truth and knows how to pray the heart of the Father over someone.

But as we began to pray, waiting on the Holy Spirit, He began to taking me to a place that only the Holy Spirit can take you. I was standing before the throne of God. While I was praying in tongues, the Holy Spirit was pleading with the Father on behalf of this pastor, sharing with the Father all the suffering he had gone through. Not that God did not know that, but it was as if the trials, the suffering, the heartache, and the heart change had come up as a petition to the Lord because it was His time to address it all. I heard the Father say, "Enough was enough!" And then I saw the fire of God come down from the throne and break open these thundering rain clouds and smite them and separate them with His majestic hands. Then I saw a clear sky, and God's glory shining down on the horizon and touching this pastor. As I was seeing this, the Lord then had me speak His WORD what I saw. And as I released the anointed WORD, God took what I saw and used HIS WORD to smash through all demonic forces that were inhibiting this saint from moving forward to create the release of that breakthrough.



Two weeks later, the chains that were bound on this pastor and broken in the spirit that day we prayed were brought forth in the natural. How that came forth was totally different than you or I could imagine or think, but God is the keeper of His Word and the creator of His Word. We are not to be concerned with the results and how He will bring that word to pass. We just get the awesome blessing of being a carrier of His WORD and a soldier in His army when we release His WORD so that it can go forth and do His work! I have recently spoken to him and he told me that day was significant and that breakthrough we prayed was the beginning of new life for him, his wife and the church.



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A SIXTH FUNCTION OF THE PROPHETIC IS TO SPEAK OUT GOD'S JUDGMENT OR TO INTERCEDE AGAINST THE JUDGMENT OF GOD.

God shows us through the prophetic word in Revelations what will happen to the churches if they do not repent from their sin. Revelations Chapter 2 and 3 gives us examples of God giving us a judgmental word, pointing out what we have done that is not pleasing to Him, but also giving us an opportunity because of His mercy to make it right through repentance.

When God has used me to give a judgment word, there is an anger that comes from God from the choices we make to constantly sin and walk away from His grace and goodness. Judgment words do not come until after God has dripped every ounce of His mercy on the situation to get someone to change and turn away from sin. He will use people, circumstances, His word, and trials to get our attention. But when we do not turn away and we continue in our prideful sin and it is affecting His kingdom plan, the judgment of God will come down.

This prophetic proclamation is very rare to be given to an individual, and mostly given to nations of people who have turned their backs of God. But those who do receive a warning from God prophetically need to take it serious! *Ecclesiastes 8:6 "Because for every matter there is a time and judgment."*

Old Testament Example of Interceding to stop God's judgment:

Abraham was given the heart of God to intercede for Sodom and Gomorrah because his brother's son Lot lived there in the time God was about to release His judgment.

In Genesis 18:23-25, Abraham begins interceding for Lot and asking God to hear him out. "...Would You also destroy the righteous with the wicked?" Suppose there were fifty righteous within the city; would You also destroy the place and not spare it for the fifty righteous that were in it?"....."Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?" The scripture says next, "So the Lord said..."

This word "So" indicates that the Lord had taken the time to hear Abraham out and because He listened to his pleadings, He had made a decision according to those pleadings. "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes." We read here that God's judgment was altered according to the intercession of Abraham. However, Abraham's intercession didn't stop there. He continued on pleading with God until he got down to the number of ten righteous found in Sodom, would the Lord relent his anger? And God replied in verse 32, *"I will not destroy it for the sake of ten."* In the next chapter we read that God sent two



angels to spare Lot and his family from the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah as the WORD went forth from those angels to proclaim what God was about to do.

Genesis 19:13-15 *“For we will destroy this place, because the outcry against them has grown great before the face of the Lord, and the Lord has sent us to destroy it. So Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law who had married his daughters, and said, “Get up, get out of this place; for the Lord will destroy this city!” But to his sons-in-law he seemed to be joking. When the morning dawned, the angels urged Lot to hurry, saying, “Arise, take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be consumed in the punishment of the city.”*

Later in verse 24, we read about the judgment that fell on that land. *“Then the Lord rained brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah, from the Lord out of the heavens. So He overthrew those cities, all the plain, all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground.”*

Finally in verse 29, we read the intercession of Abraham coming to pass. *“And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when He overthrew the cities in which Lot had dwelt.”*

Prophets can never underestimate the power of intercession and how their obedience can save a soul from destruction and demise that can come from God’s judgment being released on the earth. Because of Abraham’s intercession, God spared Lot and his family from destruction. In addition, because of Abraham’s intercession, God’s mercy and grace extended beyond Lot’s failure to heed the warnings from the angels as God used the angels to pick Lot up and carry him and his family out of harms way when they didn’t go. Abraham’s righteousness and his prayers stood in the gap for Lot’s weakness.

Genesis 19:16, *“And while he(Lot) lingered the men(angels) took hold of his hand, his wife’s hand, and the hand of his two daughters, the Lord being merciful to him, and they brought him out and set him outside the city.”*

For this reason alone, I have hope and faith that God will save America from its destructive paths of turning away from its Christian foundation because of the saints that are interceding for God’s grace and glory to breakthrough in this nation. I believe some judgment will come to America, however, as we see from the example of Abraham, those who are faithful to call upon His name will be saved from destruction because of the prophetic intercession that has been released.



Another journey to share in the steps of a prophet concerning judgment:

A few years ago, God called me to go attend a church in Orange County, CA. He had given me favor with the Pastor. The Pastor ended up getting cancer and dying. During the transition afterwards, I was asked to be a part of a board meeting in which the Lord spoke to them and told them that God had already appointed their next leader and set him in place as He did with Joshua when Moses died. God had already brought the assistant pastor in prior to this pastor dying and he was God's choice to take the baton and go forth. But because this assistant pastor was so different than the pastor who had died, the board members didn't like that choice and began a search to find another pastor to take over their church. Months went by and they still could not find the right pastor to take over after this extensive application process. I began interceding for this church. My heart was so heavy because I saw how their decision was hurting the body of Christ.

Anger, bitterness, dissension, and division began ruling over the people. Then God spoke to me again and told me to write His Word and deliver it to the board. **The Word was bold. It was a warning. And it was very specific. It did not give them room to question God's heart on the matter. The WORD cut to the heart, and many board members received its truth.** But others didn't because it required them giving up control, and there was greater division amongst the people. However, the people who listened to the word and saw that the board was not heeding the word left as a result of that. Those who stayed ended up hiring a pastor from the east coast.

Only six months went by, and the pastor they hired was in a tree and fell and broke his neck and died. Within a month, the church fell apart and closed. Why? Because the church didn't heed the WORD, and the enemy had full access to this congregation as God's hand was removed.

Prophetic Word to our Nation, July, 1999:

“FOR INDEED MY JUDGMENTS HAVE BEEN RELEASED IN THE HEAVENLIES. IT IS TIME FOR MY PLANS AND PURPOSES TO MOVE AHEAD AS I HAVE SPOKEN IN MY WORD. MANY WILL NOT SEE THE JUDGMENTS AT FIRST, FOR INDEED ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR AND AN EYE TO SEE WILL UNDERSTAND MY RIGHTEOUS HAND IS UPON THIS LAND. I WILL SHAKE THIS NATION OF ITS FOUNDATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED BY MAN. I WILL CAUSE THOSE WHO HAVE TURNED TO MAMMON TO FALL TO THEIR KNEES. I WILL JOLT THE NATION OF ITS GREED AND MANIPULATION. I WILL DRIVE THE WEDGE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS CLOSE TO THE HEARTS OF THOSE



WHO HAVE TURNED AWAY. FOR IT IS MY PEOPLE THAT I CRY FOR. IT IS MY PEOPLE THAT I WAIT FOR.

JUDGMENT HAS COME TO THIS NATION. BUT THERE IS A REMNANT THAT I WILL GUARD AND PROTECT. A PEOPLE WHO ARE HUMBLE BEFORE MY THRONE OF GRACE. I WILL CAUSE THEM TO HAVE PEACE IN THE MIDST OF THE STORM. I WILL SEND DOWN THE RAIN, AND KEEP MY PEOPLE COVERED BY MY GRACE. I WILL SHAKE THE FOUNDATIONS OF THIS NATION THAT HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED BY MAN. I WILL SHAKE THEM. I WILL SHAKE THEM. I WILL SHAKE THEM. THEN THE WORLD WILL SEE THAT I AM A JUST GOD, AND THAT I HONOR MY WORD.

I AM COMING SOON. I AM COMING SOON FOR MY BRIDE. IT IS A SEASON OF TRANQUILITY FOR THOSE WALKING BY MY SPIRIT. THERE WILL BE PEACE ON ALL SIDES. BUT TO THOSE WHO ARE ESTABLISHED ON A WRONG FOUNDATION, I WILL DESTROY THEIR ALTARS IN A MOMENT'S TIME.”

This prophetic word came at a time of prosperity in our nation, before 9/11, Hurricane Katrina, and the economic meltdown we have been experiencing in these past few years. It is the saints who have been praying for our nation that keep God's hand on this nation today and turn away His anger. I believe God loves America, but He is a just God and we have been a nation that has turned our backs on God. Therefore, we have seen God's judgment appear. We have had a lot of flooding and destruction from strong winds, our borders are weakening, our military is not winning decisively, and our economy is now challenged. Because we have chosen to follow our wicked ways, we have seen the grace of God lift off this nation. I do not believe that God will destroy America though because of the prayers of the people and the heart of why this nation was birthed by our forefathers who built its foundation on prayer, the Word, and His principle. God always provides refuge for His people who call on His name and humble themselves before Him!



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A SEVENTH FUNCTION OF THE PROPHETIC IS TO ANOINT GOD'S "KINGS;" IN OTHER WORDS, GOD'S LEADERS, TO GO FORTH IN THE BUILDING OF HIS KINGDOM.

When God uses a prophet to anoint a leader, it is because the WORD needs to precede the WORK of building God's kingdom. Apostolic people are called to build the structure, like starting a church or business. Apostles are visionaries, ground breakers, and have God's wisdom and discernment on how to make things happen, how to put things in order, how to establish foundations that are right. However, all apostolic people are risk takers and faith blazers and generally move out into a vision that does not have a familiar landscape because they are blazing new trails. God has designed the apostolic to need the prophetic to stay on course, help blaze the course in the spirit, and help encourage the apostolic through the course. This symmetry of the body of Christ needing each other to fulfill the call and the Kingdom is crucial in seeing a move of God and being a part of establishing His plan. It also is a safety valve to keep one humble.

GOD USED SAMUEL IN ALL OF THESE FUNCTIONS, BUT ESPECIALLY IN THE LAST THREE:

SAMUEL

- Anointed Israel's first kings
- Dedicated to God's service
- Man of prayer and intercession
- Began the school of prophets
- Became prophet, priest, counselor, and judge over Israel
- Listed in the Hall of Faith in Hebrews 11

Samuel was one of Israel's greatest prophets in a time when no one heard the voice of God. He had his first task of bringing a word of judgment to Eli, the priest who raised him, concerning him and his sons. This was not easy, but Samuel passed the first test in being a servant to God, not man. The people of God had turned their backs on God and especially Eli's sons who were a bad influence on God's people. God's mercy lifted and judgment came on all Israel whom were defeated by the Philistines. For 20 years all Israel mourned because it seemed God had abandoned them. In 1 Samuel 7:3, God uses Samuel to exhort Israel to get rid of their idols/



gods and determine to obey the Lord so they can be rescued from the Philistines. Israel did that. Samuel then prayed for them and they repented. Samuel interceded with sacrifice and pleaded to God to help Israel. The Lord answered and throughout Samuel's lifetime, the Lord's powerful hand was raised against the Philistines. Later, Samuel was used to anoint the first King.

1 Samuel 9:15 "Now the Lord had told Samuel the previous day, 'About this time tomorrow, I will send you a man from the land of Benjamin. Anoint him to be the leader of my people, Israel...'"

1 Samuel 9:17 "When Samuel noticed Saul, the Lord said, 'That's the man I told you about. He will rule My people.'"

When God uses a prophet to anoint God's kings today, these are leaders in the body of Christ that are called to positions of influence in preparing for the return of the King of Kings! These are people God has chosen in ministry as well as people outside of church ministry that are being used by God with the gifts He has given them. I have been used to anoint and bless business men and women, pastors, apostles, leaders of ministry, children, and young adults God has chosen to be carriers of His purpose that affect His kingdom cause.

In all the functions of the prophetic, whether you stand in the office of a prophet, or are being used by the Holy Spirit through the gift of prophesy, the ultimate reason why God uses His anointed

WORD

is

to create His plans and purposes.

What does that mean?

Read the next part for some amazing revelation!

(Caution: This next part in this manual is very rich with God's word and pulling together His revelation of the WORD. It is for someone who wants to eat at a banquet prepared by the Lord...not just a quick drive through at a fast food restaurant! If you read each page slowly and ponder the scriptures, you will be able to really digest the revelation. So plan to set aside some time to dig in and enjoy the meal!)



PART 3 –REVELATION OF THE WORD



Can you explain who or what is the “WORD?”

To answer that question, we must first dive into the history of the WORD from the beginning until the end.

Revelation 22:13 *“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last.”*

Let’s first take a look at the beginning of all beginnings as we know it from the Bible.....

Genesis 1:1-5 *“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. Then God SAID, “Let there be light,” and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good, and God divided the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.”*

God did not need to create the universe; He chose to create it. Why? God is love, and love is best expressed toward something or someone else; so God created the world and people as an expression of His love. Since He created us, we are valuable in His eyes, and His plan was to commune with us and partner with Him in creation which we read in the following scripture.

Now, let’s focus on the voice of God and what He SAID.....

Genesis 1:26 ,27 *“Then God said, “Let US make man in OUR image, according to OUR likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”*

Here we see confirmation that God was not alone in the beginning! He is referring to Jesus and the Holy Spirit as being with Him. Now take a look at how the Bible describes Jesus:

John 1:1 *“In the beginning was the WORD, and the WORD was with God, and the WORD was God.”*

John 1:2 *“He was in the beginning with God.”*

John 1:3 *“All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.”*



So, through these scriptures we see that Jesus was the Word yet He was also one with God but with God as the Word. Confusing? I would say so at first glance!

How can we grasp this idea in our head of the three - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, being one, yet separate like we see here when Jesus becomes the substance of God's creation through His WORD?"

This isn't an easy concept to understand. I was asking the Lord how to make these scriptures come alive with understanding as to the trinity seen here at the beginning; God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Every time I go running, God speaks to me and gives me revelation in unusual ways to share. And this is what He gave me.....**BUBBLES!**

Imagine me standing before you with a container of kids "bubbles" in one hand and in the other hand I have the wand that you dip into the soap to form the bubbles. I dip the wand into the bubbles and if you look at it, you can see the soap visibly forming a coating throughout the circle in the wand. Imagine now these things as you are holding up this wand ready to blow on it:

1. *The wand with the soap is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit as one.*
2. *When God speaks and says, "Let there be light," those words form a substance (manna or "bread") that creates the bubble through the wind of His spoken word. Jesus is now in the form of a bubble, and the Holy Spirit is giving the power to contain and hold that bubble of wind in its form. **UNTIL the WORD, or JESUS, is ready to pop and bring forth the creation of the WORD, the bubble stays in its form and goes where the wind takes it.** But it has formed! And it has a purpose! When it pops, the WORD breaks forth and brings His Creation!!*

JESUS IS IN ALL THINGS GOD HAS CREATED!

Hebrews 1:1-3 "Long ago God spoke many times and in many ways to our ancestors through the prophets. But now in these final days, He has spoken to us through his Son. God promised everything to the Son as an inheritance, and through the Son He made the universe and everything in it. The Son reflects God's own glory, and everything about Him represents God exactly. He sustains the universe by the mighty power of His command. After He died to cleanse us from the stain of sin, He sat down in the place of honor at the right hand of the majestic God of heaven."



And now let's look in the Bible and what it says concerning the end of all ends here on earth and in heaven...

Revelations 19:9 "Then he said to me, "Write: Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God." And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and his title was the **Word** of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS."

Who is the disciple John referring to who is titled, "the WORD of God?"

John's description clearly indicates that when he says the **WORD**, he is talking about **JESUS**. He was a human being that John knew and loved but at the same time the creator of the universe, the ultimate revelation of God, the living picture of God's holiness, the one who "holds all creation together – Col 1:17 "And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist."

The **Word** was a term used by theologians and philosophers, both Jews and Greeks, in many different ways. In Hebrew scripture, the **Word** was:

1. An agent of creation. **Psalm 33:6** "By the Word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth."
2. The source of God's message to his people through the prophets. **Hosea 4:1** "Hear the word of the Lord, you children of Israel, for the Lord brings a charge against the inhabitants of the land.."
3. The source of God's law
4. His standard of holiness **Psalm 119:11** "Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against you."



What can we conclude from the scriptures we have looked at so far?

The Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit are one; a Trinity. They were all at the beginning. When God spoke, that was Jesus speaking through the Father. HE WAS THE WORD! When the WORDS came forth, they formed a substance. Through that substance, God took the WORD and then used it to create His kingdom. **We see that Jesus in substance form for the first time was the light!**

***Revelations 21:23** Describing heaven... "The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light."*

***2 Corinthians 4:6** "For God, who said, "Let there be light in the darkness, " has made us understand that this light is the brightness of the glory of God that is seen in the face of Jesus Christ."*

***John 1:14** "And the **Word** became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."*

I want to repeat this idea again...

When God spoke, the WORD was speaking through the Father. The WORD was with the Father, in the spirit realm, until the WORD was spoken by the power of the Holy Spirit also present with the Father. As the WORD came, formed through the power of the Holy Spirit, the anointed word spoken was "Let there be light." The words went out, and the substance of creation was then manifest into that which was the Father's purpose, LIGHT. We see the manifested WORD in the natural! This was the first substance of His glory, His light!

It is His light that is used to make all things! He is "the bread of life;" the substance of all things. He is the light that lives now in our spirit when we believe on Him as our Savior. Jesus has lit up our spirit by the substance of HIS WORD.

***John 8:12** Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."*

***John 1:4,5** "In Him was **life**, and the **life** was the **light** of men. And the **light** shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it."*

***Ephesians 5:8** "For you were once darkness, but now you are **light in the Lord**. Walk as children of light."*



Okay, let's now take this a step further on how it affects a believer today:

This is now the light and the power that lives inside of us, JESUS, the WORD, when prompted by the power of the Holy Spirit, will use us to bring forth His creation of His kingdom plan through prophecy!

2 Corinthians 4:7 "But this precious treasure-this light and power that now shine within us-is held in perishable containers, that is, in our weak bodies. So everyone can see that our glorious power is from God and is not our own."

If Jesus lives inside of us, and He is the WORD, the LIGHT, then we have been given access to partner with JESUS to be carriers of His word that started with HIM, the beginning, and will end with Him, the end! When you speak out a prophetic word, you are allowing His light to continue to shine and bring forth His creation through the anointed word.

Now, let's look at how His light has shined throughout all history; how the WORD has been carried forth from the beginning, throughout time, until the end....

Hebrews 1:3, "God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high."

The following is a chronologic path of how the WORD has gone forth....

FORMLESS DARK WORLD WITH THE TRINITY (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) > THE WORD (Jesus coming in substance form) > LIGHT (culmination of that substance created) > ADAM (first man to be created from the WORD and then used by God to create through the WORD) > NOAH > ABRAHAM > ISAAC > JACOB > MOSES > JOSHUA > JUDGES > SAMUEL > PROPHETS OF NORTHERN KINGDOM: ELIJAH, ELISHA, JONAH, AMOS, HOSEA > PROPHETS OF SOUTHERN KINGDOM: MICAH, ISAIAH, JERIMIAH > EZEKIEL > DANIEL > ANGEL GABRIEL > ZACHARIAS > SIMEON > ANNA > JOHN THE BAPTIST > JESUS IN THE FORM OF THE FLESH > DISCIPLES FILLED WITH THE GIFT OF HOLY SPIRIT AND PROPHECYING > DISCIPLE JOHN (prophetic scrolls of the Book of Revelations)> **DISCIPLES TO THE NATIONS TODAY SPEAKING HIS PROPHETIC WORD WHICH CARRIES HIS LIGHT, HIS TRUTH, HIS WORD, HIS CREATION, HIS KINGDOM COME** > TWO WITNESSES DESCRIBED IN REVELATIONS > JESUS RETURNS AS KING OF KINGS!



We started with Jesus and we will end with Jesus! The WORD has been carried throughout time by God speaking to His people and using His people to speak His word! It is a total partnership! But the common thread to the partnership is the WORD! (Even today, the WORD, JESUS, is the link between us and the Father through the cross!) Remember what we read in Revelations 19:9, "For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

The symbolism I get when I think of how God carried His WORD, His LIGHT, throughout history can be seen through the ceremonies of the Olympics. They begin with a torch. Lit and held up high, a chosen person carries the torch and runs with it to the next person in waiting who is on the path toward the ceremony. The torch that leads the way lights the path of the carrier to the final destination of the Olympics. It is so powerful to see that torch and how it symbolically is used to unite all nations of God's people as well. The torch is then finally brought to the Olympic stadium and lit up in a giant cauldron (that is my word for it) which signifies the commencement of the Olympics and the beginning of this worldly event. Does this not give you a similar picture of God's culminating event of carrying His light until He returns as the King of Kings when we join Him as He sits on His throne ruling and reigning?

***Revelations 21:22-27** "No temple could be seen in the city, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. And the city has no need of sun or moon, for the glory of God illuminates the city, and the Lamb is its light. The nations of the earth will walk in its light, and the rulers of the world will come and bring their glory to it. Its gates never close at the end of the day because there is no night. And all the nations will bring their glory and honor into the city. Nothing evil will be allowed to enter-no one who practices shameful idolatry and dishonesty-but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life."*

Do you remember how the Bible describes the beginning?

In Genesis 1:2, we read that the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. So before God spoke, it was dark! After God spoke, there was light. From the beginning, God has given us light, Jesus, to light the way. This light has also illuminated God's truth and His plan throughout history. In the end, it is His light that will be all we need.

***Isaiah 60:19-20** "The sun shall no longer be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you; but the Lord will be to you an everlasting light, and your God your glory. Your sun shall no longer go down, nor shall your moon withdraw itself; for the Lord will be your everlasting light, and the days of your mourning shall be ended."*



From a salvation perspective, when Jesus came here on the earth and sacrificed for us, He abolished the darkness of sin that separates us from His plan of creating us to be one with Him. Jesus has always made a way from the beginning for us to see the Father, hear the Father, and to be with the Father!

***John 12:35,36** “Then Jesus said to them, “A little while longer the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become “sons of light.” These things Jesus spoke and departed, and was hidden from them.”*

When tribulation and darkness cover the earth in the final days, who will carry His light here on earth?

Jesus still makes a way for His light to shine until He returns through His remnant. During the tribulation days, God sends His light, His two prophets, to be the light, the WORD, to speak truth and pour out His mercy for the last time before judgment as well.

***Revelations 11:3-6** “And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth. These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth. And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner. These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.”*

***John 3:19,20** “And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.”*

Let’s go back to the statement Paul makes and answer, why should we desire the gift of prophesy?

***I Corinthians 14:1** “Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.”*

After going over the WORD, now we can understand the amazing reason.....



God first tells us to pursue love.....that is pursuing Him and His heart. When we walk in His love, we walk in His heart and we speak from His heart. **His heart combined with the power of the Holy Spirit speaking His word is the ultimate partnership with God as we are then used by Him to be a part of His creation of His kingdom come, His will be done on earth and it is in heaven!**

As with the partnership of God the Father, Son (WORD), and Holy Spirit was there when He created the beginning, (1 John 5:7) we are then used in the same manner to help create a pathway toward His end because JESUS, the WORD, lives inside of us and HIS WORD GOES FORTH TO BRING LIGHT, BRING TRUTH, BRING REVELATION, BRING HOPE, BRING BREAKTHROUGH, BRING LIFE, BRING HIS CREATION! Our WORDS, (those anointed by the power of the Holy Spirit) are filled with His substance. There is a transformation that happens when our words go out. They first are received from the spirit realm through the power of the Holy Spirit, which Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as our helper and His Spirit of Truth. (John 14:16-17)

1 John 5:7 *“For there are three that bear witness in heaven; The Father, the **Word**, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.”*

God then uses those words in the spirit realm to transform them into substance in the earthly realm. That is why there is an ultimate partnership with God when we avail ourselves to His Word; allow Him to work through us, bringing His word into substance that allows the transformation to occur from the spirit into the natural. **We are then agents of His creation!**

This is a powerful revelation, and once you have an understanding of this revelation, it will give you the boldness to step out and speak when the Holy Spirit is prompting you to do so. You will find yourself free to abandon yourself to the gift of prophecy knowing that God is working His power through the WORD! All you have to do is avail yourself to that gift.

Does God always use His WORD before He creates and makes things happen?

YES! He shows us that model at the beginning and continues it throughout the Bible. We see in the Old Testament God speaks and then His WORD is fulfilled. He uses prophets to speak His WORD and the WORD then comes to pass. In the New Testament, God has not changed!

We can see from Isaiah 53 that the prophet clearly spoke of what would happen in the future when Jesus came in the form of flesh and fulfilled His purpose here on earth. Here are just a few prophetic words describing His ministry...*“But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.” Is 53:5*



In Daniel 7, the prophet speaks of the second coming of the Lord.

*“I was watching; and the same horn was making war against the saints, and prevailing against them, until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made in favor of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom.” **Daniel 7:21,22***

And here is something amazing! When God’s timing came to send forth His son, Jesus, to be the son of man, the WORD became flesh after this amazing event when the angel Gabriel was sent to speak God’s Word:

***Luke 1:30** “Then the angel said to her, ‘Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.’” Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?” And the angel answered and said to her, ‘The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.’”*

When these WORDS were spoken to Mary, and the name of Jesus was said, God used THE WORD (Jesus) to create the son of God, Jesus! The WORD created the WORD in substance form; a son of man. We can see that this creation took place after the spoken word because Mary was then pregnant! She left and went to Elizabeth’s house. (She was the mother to be of John the Baptist.) When she entered her house, more of the prophetic word came to pass as it was spoken that the Holy Spirit would overshadow her and when Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the Bible says *“that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.”*

Later on, God then uses His prophets to confirm what He had spoken through the angel Gabriel and to carry His Word forth like the Olympic example of the ceremonies I outlined earlier:

***Luke 2:25-32** “And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, he took Him up in his*



arms and blessed God and said; ‘Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation which You have prepared before the face of all peoples. A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel.’

1 John 5:7,8 confirms this transfer of Jesus as a part of the trinity we see from the beginning of the scriptures to the Jesus we knew who walked here on earth to perfect the plan of the Father.

“For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness on earth; the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.”

The water was the water baptism that happened when the Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus and the Father confirmed that this was His Son, the Godhead in Luke 3:21,22, *“When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed the heaven was opened. And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, “You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.”*

The blood refers to the sacrifice on the cross that could not abolish sin had he not been Lord yet still in the form of the flesh as the prophetic words had spoken of. This is again one of those revelations that you need to sit and chew on so you can understand how the WORD transferred into the creation God purposed as Jesus our Savior sent to save us from sin!

Whether God is using you as a prophet to speak forth His word or using you in the gift of prophesy to edify and encourage the body of Christ, His WORD brings forth life and light!

***1 John 1:1-5** “That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the WORD of life – the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us – that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you that your joy may be full. This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.”*

I don't need to say anymore....His WORD says it all! So let's take a look at the next couple of chapters on how we can apply this knowledge to serve the King!



PART 4 – STEPPING OUT IN THE GIFT OF PROPHECY



How do we take that revelation from the Word we learned in Part 3 and then become His “agents of creation?”

Answer: **By Delivering the Chocolate Chip Cookies!!**

I was running again and thinking about how to put all of this revelation into a way people can relate as it concerns the gift of prophecy for today and walking it out. God told me to make chocolate chip cookies and began showing me how to take a cookie and make it a lesson in understanding how God could use you to deliver a WORD!

First, we have the ingredients of the chocolate chip cookies and what they represent:

- **Flour (flour, baking soda, salt) - THE WORD, or JESUS**
- **Sugar - Sweet Scriptures**
- **Brown Sugar - Our Testimony**
- **Chocolate Chips - Revelation**
- **Vanilla - Faith**
- **Oil or Butter - Holy Spirit “The Helper”**
- **Bowl - Available Vessel**



Second, we need all these ingredients to mix together to form our cookies so they will taste good. If we miss one of these ingredients, the cookie is not going to taste as good. If we add wrong ingredients, we could also make a cookie that doesn't quite taste or look right.

Thirdly, we need **TIME** to make the cookies! It takes time to gather the ingredients, measure them out, mix them together, and then form the cookie dough on to the baking sheet. But once it is in the oven, there is a precise time the cookie needs to come out when it is perfectly cooked!



Let's look at the ingredients individually:

FLOUR – This represents the WORD, or specifically JESUS! All of us who have asked Jesus in our heart have this ingredient in their bowl! He is described as “the bread of life!” Bread’s main ingredient is flour!

SUGAR – This represents the knowledge of the WORD, the scriptures, giving us understanding of Him, His plan, and our purpose in Him which is sweet to our soul!

BROWN SUGAR – This represents our testimony since every testimony is sweet in the end but tough and dirty to walk out! Every trial we go through has a test and most of the time there are the “monies,” or in other words, tough times that can make our flesh feel weak and want to cry! But when we get through the trial and past the test, our story reveals truth of His faithfulness.

CHOCOLATE CHIPS – This represents the nuggets of revelation that God gives us through our journey and His WORD. They are bitter sweet as God usually has us sweat through the scriptures or have us go through a trial over and over until we get it! But once we get it, it is like a sweet nugget of heaven here on earth!

VANILLA – This represents the dash (the seed) of faith you need to create a cookie! Vanilla makes the cookie taste good and our faith is sweet to God!

BUTTER (OIL) – This represents the Holy Spirit, the agent of comfort, help, truth and power to bind these ingredients together and act as an agent of heat to bake these cookies to perfection.

BOWL – This represents an available vessel that God searches to use to partner with Him to create.

Having all the ingredients in our bowl, we are ready for use. Spiritually speaking, when God is ready to use one of His children to partner with Him in prophecy, He will look for a willing vessel and work with the ingredients that are in that vessel to produce His Word. **The purer the ingredients, the purer the Word! The greater the wisdom in how and when to deliver the WORD, the greater the taste of that WORD to the soul who is eating it.**

In the oven, (your belly with the heat of the Holy Spirit), the dough is cooking and begins baking a cookie (a WORD). Your belly will actually feel full because the WORD has substance! At the right time, the oven door (your mouth!!Ha!!) will open and God’s Word will come out because HE is going to pull it out with His majestic Hand. You will literally feel it being pulled out of the oven as you begin to speak!



When the cookie, the anointed WORD, comes out of the hot oven (our belly) we are delivering His message that is sweet, smells good, tastes good, and easy to swallow! It has substance, it has matter, it has purpose, it has flavor, it has a destiny.....It is a hungry person's desire to eat the cookie, digest it, and benefit from it, and allow it to feed their spirit and soul, and body. With that manna comes life; action upon the WORD that fulfills His purpose when followed with faith.

It is important to remember that God is the Supreme Baker! He will carry the WORD. He will support the WORD. He will release the manifestation of the WORD. The WORD is His to own and to create because HE IS THE WORD! You are not responsible for the results of that word. He is! He will charge His angels over the WORD for His purpose!

How can we provide “pure ingredients” for God to use us in creating a cookie (a WORD) for Him?

Pure ingredients come forth from a pure heart. When our heart is pure before the Lord, HE IS LORD! HE IS LOVE. Therefore, LOVE will cover a multitude of sins (any bad ingredients!) We will never be perfect vessels and all of us will have bad ingredients because we are constantly struggling with our sinful nature until Jesus returns. However, God exhorts us through scriptures to aim at being more like Him and then we can find strength to keep bad ingredients from coming into our bowl!!

Gal 5:16: Walk in the Spirit and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another so that you do not do the things that you wish.”

If I took our batter and added a little dirt (works of the flesh) to it, you probably wouldn't notice it too much. But if I added a lot of dirt to our batter, it would really taste bad. I would have to work hard at overcoming the dirt to get to taste of the chocolate chips!

What are the works of the flesh that prevent us from having a good tasting cookie (prophetic Word)?

Gal 5:19 “Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like, of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”



With every single “works of the flesh,” the root of all of them comes back to serving self or having others serve you. But a heart after God wants to crucify the flesh in order to serve God, not self. *“And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passion and desires.” Gal 5:24* It is difficult to step out in the prophetic if you are only thinking of yourself because this gift for the body is to encourage and edify others!

In addition, because the works of the flesh filter through your heart, the word God wants to use you to deliver can be clouded with wrong perceptions that are coming from areas in our heart that have not been crucified.

Can God work through us even when we are dealing with some of these works of the flesh?

Absolutely! However, the more you step into the obedience of Christ by crucifying your flesh, the more authority God will give you to speak into someone’s life with His Word. Inheriting the kingdom of God like the scripture says in Gal 5:19 means you are able to experience the promises, the power, and the freedom Christ has done for you here on earth. When we chose to walk in the Spirit, we see those promises and see His glory manifested through us.

Gal 5:22 “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.”

Finally, we can go back to our scripture once again and glean from its truth. *“I Corinthians 14:1 “Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.”*

Having all this WORD now in your spirit with revelation and knowledge, it probably gives you a greater perspective now on why Paul made that statement. Love precedes the gift. And the gift is given out of His love to His people!

How does a Christian get started in stepping out in the prophetic?

1. Study God’s Word so His Word is in you!
2. Gain wisdom, knowledge and understanding of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, especially prophecy as it will activate your faith.
3. Ask God to use you as His vessel to equip the saints.
4. Pray God opens your heart for His people.



5. Seize the opportunity when God is opening up a door to encourage His saint. Encouragement will be the launching pad for this gift to grow!

Barnabas- “Son of Encouragement”

- He was the one who came to Paul’s defense when all the apostles did not believe in Paul’s conversion.
- He was the first to go on a missionary trip with Paul
- His encouragement equipped Paul to do the work of an Apostle

Sooner or later, true obedience to God will involve risk so there is always someone who needs encouragement to fulfill their call and destiny.

- Your words of encouragement may feed the soul of a saint like Paul
- Encouragement not only comes by word, but also by deed.

Acts 4:36, 37 *“And Joses, who was also named Barnabas by the apostles(which is translated Son of Encouragement), a Levite of the country of Cyprus, having land, sold it, and brought the money and laid it at the apostles feet.”*

Here we see Barnabas has a heart to support both spiritually and naturally the work of the apostles. We also see God makes a point of showing us that Barnabas was one amongst all of them doing this because of the significance of an apostle and prophet working together. (Gal 2:1,9) We see 14 years later Paul and Barnabas still working side by side.

Acts 9:26-31 *“And when Saul had come to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples’ but they were all afraid of him, and did not believe that he was a disciple. But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. And he declared to them how he had seen the Lord on the road, and that He had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. So he was with them at Jerusalem, coming in and going out. And he spoke boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus and disputed against the Hellenists, but they attempted to kill him. When the brethren found out, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him out to Tarsus. Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.”*



Acts 11:22-24 *“Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.”*

Can you give me a good exercise to help build this muscle in stepping out in the gift of prophesy?

YES! You can begin by starting out with what is referred to as “listening prayer.” It may seem a bit uncomfortable at first, but practice in a group setting by asking the group to take time out after worship and stay silent before God. During that time, purposely listen. Scriptures may come up in your heart, a vision, or even an encouraging word may pop up very strongly. After time has been set aside to listen, open the conversation up to dialogue for anyone to share any impressions they had. What is great about this exercise is that you have set up a safe environment to step out and share what you feel God has shared with you through your listening prayer. In addition, when someone in the group identifies with something God has shown you, it adds a boost of confidence that you are hearing the Holy Spirit and faith to step out the next time!

When do you know the Holy Spirit is prompting you to partner with Him to deliver a prophetic word?

1. Your spirit is so full you want to empty out because you are feeling so uncomfortable.
2. You are getting impressions of scripture.
3. You are getting words for someone and you don't know anything about them to give you a clue as to why you are getting that information.
4. You are getting a picture in your mind that is descriptive.
5. The word is encouraging, edifying, or comforting.
6. You just want to pray at all costs!! HA!



Timing of God is so critical in delivering a word. How do you know you are walking in His timing?

1. Wait and watch for His confirmation. He will open up a door for you to walk in. When you feel pressure to move on the word out of fear, not faith, WAIT! God will usher it forth gracefully and as you see Him working out the path, you will have great faith to step forward.
2. If it is a “now” word, the Holy Spirit will be strong that you are almost made uncomfortable and you will want to get it out. But again, wait for God to make a way.
3. The Holy Spirit will show you the heart of the person you need to deliver the word to and you will be filled with His love and compassion to reach out.
4. In a group setting, you will have to get permission to release the word. Always submit to authority and follow their protocol!

1 Corinthian 14:29-33 “Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others judge. But if anything is revealed to another who sits by, let the first keep silent. For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged. And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.”

I am going to share three examples of how I had to lean on the Holy Spirit and allow Him to make a path for the Word to go forth:

FIRST EXAMPLE: One night I was sitting in church listening to the sermon when all of the sudden the Holy Spirit began moving in me. I could tell that God wanted to use me to deliver His word because my belly felt so full. I began asking the Lord who this word was for. All of the sudden, the Holy Spirit started speaking to me about the Pastor who was preaching! A minute later, I began seeing a picture of Him leaving and preaching to all these other pastors and uniting them together through the gift God had given him. I didn’t really know what to do with this Word so I began asking God to make a way for me to deliver the Word. Because it was my Pastor, I also asked God to confirm that I was getting the right person by bringing him to me. When the service was over, the most amazing thing happened. I watched the Pastor exit toward the opposite side of the stage where I was sitting. At that moment I thought, “Well God, this Word must not have been for him because he is leaving and there is no way I will run into him.” As soon as I was finished having that thought, I saw the Pastor for no apparent reason stop, turn around, and walk



to the other side of the stage and down the steps toward me! It was crazy! Then, to top it off, he walked right up to me and stretched out his hand to greet me! I was in so much awe of what God had just done, I almost forgot to open my mouth and deliver the Word!! Luckily, I did, and immediately, joy hit his face as the Word was a confirmation as to what God had been telling him.

SECOND EXAMPLE: God gave me a vision of a pastor of mine and his wife when I was going to his church back in 1997. The vision I got was of him and his wife sitting at a table all alone with their heads down. They looked totally defeated and at the end of themselves. Then I came into the room and laid hands on them and the fire of God came down on both of them and they were filled up in Him. I waited for 14 years for God to make a way for that vision to come to pass. At the time when God gave me that vision, their hearts were not ready for the WORD God had for them. Several months ago, I ran into my old pastor at the church I attend. He no longer had a church and was trying to figure out what he was doing next. But even when I ran into him then, I was reminded of the vision but could tell his heart was still not ready still to receive prayer. So I waited and made sure I took the time to say hi and to connect with him when I saw him at church.

Then one night after church, He and his wife expressed a desire to go out some time together. I recognized a possible open door, so I invited them over for dinner. That night, after we had finished dessert, I had resigned myself to thinking tonight wasn't the night as well. I just didn't see any open door! But then all of the sudden, he looked at me with such humbleness and asked if I would be able to pray for him. Of course I said yes, and as we began, I looked out and saw both of their heads bowed down in total humility and surrender. I was now looking at the vision in real time! I then boldly stepped into the prayer and allowed the anointing to move the WORD out and over their lives. It was powerful and so fun for me to have been a part of God's plan to deliver His WORD and be a part of seeing their breakthrough after 14 years!

THIRD EXAMPLE: I was sitting in the back of this meeting enjoying worship before the guest speaker got up to teach. All of the sudden, the Holy Spirit began stirring me up and filling me with God's presence. I thought I was going to burst as I was standing there worshipping God. I stopped to ask God what He wanted to do. He began sharing with me how He wanted me to speak into the atmosphere His word so that His breakthrough could come forth in the hearts of the women attending. God never shows me everything He wants to say. He usually gives me a starting place, like a scripture or a picture or a Word. I had the scripture, so I asked God to make a way for me to step forth and deliver His Word. I knew this was a corporate Word because His presence was so great that it was consuming me! When worship was over, the leader of the group paused a moment and said she felt God had a Word for the group and asked if someone had something to share. There was the door God provided for me to step through! I began walking toward the front and told the leader I believed I had a Word. As I began speaking, God filled my



mouth with His words. It was so powerful that when I was done sharing, the atmosphere of the whole room had shifted as God set the stage to their hearts to receive God's love and healing. I sat down and watched as the Holy Spirit continued to work throughout that meeting and saw so many women delivered from fear that day!

What are good guidelines to follow when delivering a word?

1. Wait on the Lord! This is a key to unlocking the prophetic! He will always make a way for the Word. Don't try to make it happen under pressure! God will pave the way.
2. When God has made the way, wisdom says to have two or more gathered when the word is delivered.
3. If you want to verify what you are getting is from God, (especially when you are just first stepping out in the prophetic gift) probe the person for feedback that would confirm your word. As soon as you get confirmation, ASK if you can pray for that person. By getting permission, their heart will be open to the Lord.
4. Have someone there who can write it down if possible.
5. The Holy Spirit is considerate. He knows because the Father knows how and when a word should be delivered and who should hear your word. It is your job as God's servant to have God's heartbeat as to how to deliver His word intimately.
6. Some words are to be shared in private. God will show you because He will show you their heart and you will be uncomfortable sharing the word with those who are around. In general, if it is a word of correction, it is best given in writing or in a private setting with people the person is comfortable sharing with.
7. In a corporate setting, always go to someone in authority to share you have a word. Follow their protocol and direction. Many times they will want you to write it down so they have an understanding of what it is. If they make the decision not to allow you to share the word, trust God in that moment. He is responsible for making a way. Ask Him for clarity. It might be the leaders are being controlling and not allowing His Word to go forth. In His mercy, He will continue to try and bring His word in another way. You may be used to show them they are refusing Him. It might also be a correct word but not for the church. The greatest thing to remember is not to take on rejection for stepping out. By submitting to authority, you are covered by His grace!
8. It is your job to deliver the word, not to carry the results or interpret the word. The results are in God's hands. He knows how to take His word and create with it! Some words can take years to come to pass. The interpretation is also in God's hands as we know in part



and prophesy in part. Many people make the mistake of saying too much after the word is delivered, putting their own interpretation on it and trying to make sense of it for the person. This mistake comes out of a lack of trust in the Holy Spirit. This also comes from a wound that needs to please man so when you are feeling the need to interpret, ask yourself if you are feeling that need to clarify and strengthen the message or out of fear. If out of fear, keep your mouth closed!! You have to trust God to carry the word and allow Him to create with it. **Example: BUBBLES! Blow the bubble, and God will pop it when He is ready!**

What do you do with a prophetic word that someone gives you?

1. If you believe it is confirmation of something that God has told you, let the person know who delivered it that you receive His word and thank them for being obedient.
2. If you get a word that is a promise in the future, hold on to that word and pray over it; thanking God for His perfect timing to release His word.
3. If you get a word that bears witness but you don't quite understand the meaning, seek God for His revelation. He wants YOU to go to Him for the understanding, and in that process, He will work out that word in you and for you. It is important you do not interpret the word in the light of your own wants and desires.
4. If the word does not bear witness to you, throw it away! If it was from God, He will bring it back to you!

Do you receive a prophetic word as if God was speaking it to you Himself?

YES, if it is confirmation of what God has been putting in your heart and if it lines up with His word and His character. Also, if the person delivering the word walks in God's character it is another guideline that you can receive the word.

2 Peter 1:19-21 *"And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts: knowing this first, that NO prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit."*

Matthew 10:41 *"If you welcome a prophet as one who speaks for God, you will receive the same reward a prophet gets."*



When can you tell you are receiving a false prophetic word?

1. Word doesn't line up with God's word. God's prophetic word will never contradict His written WORD in principle, character, or scripture.
2. Word doesn't witness to your spirit. God's M.O. is to talk to you directly first, then confirm what He is saying through His prophets. If it is a word of correction, the truth of that correction will hit home in your heart.
3. Word that is not centered in His love but is centered on being critical. There is no redemptive quality in a critical word. (Love does confront, but the goal is that the truth will transform you from glory to glory.)
4. Person delivering the word is speaking out of their own heart. You can discern this because the focus of delivering the word is self-promotion, not being a servant. A word given from the posture of presumption is not from the Lord. (Matthew 7:15-20)

God takes His WORD seriously! His WORD has set forth His plan, His creation, His love, His majesty! We can be a part of His WORD through the prophetic gift to bring forth His creation, His plan, His love.

Revelation 22:18-19 *“And I solemnly declare to everyone who hears the prophetic words of this book: If anyone adds anything to what is written here, God will add to that person the plagues described in this book. And if anyone removes any of the words of this prophetic book, God will remove that person's share in the tree of life and in the holy city that are described in this book.”*

We are agents of His creation.

Are prophetic people held more accountable for their words than others?

Not exactly! We are ALL held accountable for our words! God warns us about our tongue and about how powerful our words can be. Since we have Jesus living inside of us, we are either adding to His creation and plan and purpose, or we are tearing His creation, plan, and purpose apart. God has given us His power through the Holy Spirit to build up. But we can also use our tongue for evil and tear down. We will be accountable for our words as they hold a great responsibility in His kingdom!



Matthew 12:35-37 *“A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things. But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”*

This scripture did not say the prophets will be held accountable for their words. He said men will be held accountable! But if you are using your mouth to speak evil all the time, then your heart isn't right and therefore the prophetic word will not be pure. Prophets will be held at a greater accountability because of their influence over God's people which can hold them accountable to keep their gift pure.



PART 5 – QUALITIES OF A PROPHETIC SERVANT



What are qualities of a Prophetic Servant?

- Your heart and God's heart are tied together
- Bold and fearless; not afraid to confront
- Heavenly minded
- Full of wisdom and discernment
- Intercessor
- Servant to Him and the body of Christ
- Held to a high standard of keeping heart pure
- Humble
- Repentant
- Willing to follow the Holy Spirit, not lead the Holy Spirit
- Uncompromising
- Held accountable to God's standard of righteousness, not what the world says is okay.

The heart of a person is the key to unlocking the prophetic gift. If your heart is clean and pure, God can trust you with His heart to deliver His message to the hearts of His people. If your heart has issues of bitterness, unforgiveness, fear, anger, pride, jealousy, and critical, you cannot deliver His word accurately as your heart issues will cloud God's message.

How can you hinder the Holy Spirit from using you in the prophetic for God's purpose?

1 THE NUMBER ONE WAY YOU CAN HALT THE HOLY SPIRIT IN USING THE GIFT OF PROPHECY THROUGH YOU IS TO HAVE A CRITICAL AND JUDGMENTAL HEART. THIS IS THE OPPOSITE SPIRIT OF A PROPHET WHO IS HUMBLE AND CONTRITE AND IS ABLE TO CARRY THE HEART OF GOD INSIDE OF THEM. GOD ENTRUSTS A PROPHET WITH HIS HEART AND THE HEART OF HIS PEOPLE. THAT CARRIES A GREAT BURDEN OF RESPONSIBILITY THAT CAN BE EASY IF ONE STAYS CLOSE TO GOD AND WALKS IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD. THE ENEMY KNOWS THAT IF HE CAN GET THE PROPHET TO BE BAITED WITH PRIDE, THEN THE PROPHET WILL BEGIN SEEING THINGS THROUGH THE LENS OF THAT PRIDE. INSTEAD OF A WORD SPOKEN IN LOVE TOWARD HIS PEOPLE, THE PROPHET



WILL BE OPERATING OUT OF A CRITICAL AND CONTROLLING SPIRIT WHICH WILL LEAD TO HIS/HER DEMISE AND WILL THEN ALSO HURT GOD'S PEOPLE.

Proverbs 8:13 *“The fear of the Lord is to hate evil; pride and arrogance and the evil way and the perverse mouth I hate.”*

Matthew 12:34 *“Brood of Vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.”*

Proverbs 4:23 *“Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life. Put away from you a deceitful mouth and put perverse lips far from you.”*

JONAH

Jonah was a good example in the Old Testament of a prophet who had turned critical, judgmental, and angry which caused him to disobey the call of God.

Jonah 1: 1-3 “The Lord gave this message to Jonah son of Amittai; ‘Get up and go to the great city of Nineveh! Announce my judgment against it because I have seen how wicked its people are.’ But Jonah got up and went in the opposite direction in order to get away from the Lord. He went down to the seacoast, to the port of Joppa, where he found a ship leaving for Tarshish. He bought a ticket and went on board, hoping that by going away to the west he could escape from the Lord.”

Nineveh was a powerful and wicked city and Jonah had grown up hating the Assyrians and fearing their atrocities. **Jonah's hatred had become so strong that he did not want them to receive God's mercy.** He knew if he went to Nineveh and did what God asked him to do, which was to deliver His word of repentance, that the people might actually turn from their wicked ways and change God's heart to destroy them. Jonah knew God's heart; always extending every ounce of mercy toward His people no matter how wicked people are. But as you can see, Jonah does not have God's heart here, and because of that, he chose to run away instead of obeying God's voice.

It is worth mentioning that all Christians need to guard against self-righteousness and the tendency to judge others when they see wickedness and not take the bait of hating the sinner instead of the sin. We have to keep in mind that we are ALL sinners saved by grace! No one deserves God's mercy, but ALL receive it when we have a repentant heart. A prophetic person, however, has to guard their heart in this area even more so because they are able to discern right and wrong very easily since they have God's eyes to see and therefore must continually lean on His grace to keep their heart pure.

Later in the story of Jonah, God extends His mercy to him (He really didn't deserve it either!) He saves Jonah's life from destruction by providing a great fish to swallow him so he can have a



second chance to get it right with God. Jonah is thankful! Here is part of his prayer from the belly of the fish.

Jonah 2 :1,2 *“Then Jonah prayed to the Lord God from inside the fish. He said, ‘I cried out to the Lord in my great trouble, and he answered me.’”*

Jonah 2:7-10 *“When I had lost all hope, I turned my thoughts once more to the Lord. And my earnest prayer went out to you in your holy Temple. Those who worship false gods turn their backs on all God’s mercies. But I will offer sacrifices to you with songs of praise, and I will fulfill all my vows. For my salvation comes from the Lord alone.” Then the Lord ordered the fish to spit up Jonah on the beach, and it did.”*

God not only forgives Jonah, but then God makes it easy for him; He has the fish spit him out close to Nineveh. Now that is mercy and grace! Jonah finally obeys God and delivers the word to the people of Nineveh after the Lord asked him to do so the second time. The people of Nineveh repented after hearing the word.

Jonah 3:5 *“The people of Nineveh believed God’s message, and from the greatest to the least, they decided to go without food and wear sackcloth to show their sorrow.”*

When God saw they had put a stop to their evil ways, He turned His anger away from the wicked people and withheld His judgment. However, this made Jonah angry again because the word he delivered didn’t come to pass.

Jonah 4:1-3 *“This change of plans upset Jonah, and he became very angry. So he complained to the Lord about it: “Didn’t I say before I left home that you would do this, Lord? That is why I ran away to Tarshish! I knew that you were a gracious and compassionate God, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. I knew how easily you could cancel your plans for destroying these people. Just kill me now, Lord! I’d rather be dead than alive because nothing I predicted is going to happen.”*

Jonah’s heart was so hardened that he could not even see the same hand of mercy that saved the 120,000 people of Nineveh also saved him! In addition, his anger then turned toward God for not following through with His judgment. And finally, his anger led him to self pity which led him out in the wilderness for another season. Personally, I wonder if God was able to use Jonah as a prophetic voice anymore because Jonah was more comfortable in his anger than in God’s peace!



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THE SECOND WAY YOU CAN HALT THE HOLY SPIRIT IN USING THE GIFT OF PROPHECY THROUGH YOU IS TO FALL PREY TO SPIRIT OF JEZEBEL. THIS SPIRIT'S WHOLE GOAL IS TO KILL AND DESTROY THE PROPHET AND WILL USE FEAR, INTIMIDATION, CONTROL, AND ACCUSATION TO CAUSE THE PROPHETIC GIFT TO BE SILENCED. THE OBJECTIVE OF INTIMIDATION IS TO RESTRAIN YOU FROM ACTION, AND COERCE OR FORCE YOU INTO SUBMISSION. INTIMIDATION WANTS TO OVERWHELM YOU WITH A SENSE OF INFERIORITY AND FEAR. ONCE YOU'VE RETREATED INTO SUBMISSION, EITHER KNOWINGLY OR UNKNOWINGLY, YOU ARE A SERVANT OF THE INTIMIDATOR. CONSEQUENTLY, THE GIFT OF GOD, HIS SPIRITUAL ABILITY IN YOU, IS INOPERATIVE.

The root of intimidation comes from a place in our soul that has allowed the fear of man to rule and reign instead of God and responds to this fear through trying to take control of self or others. (Self preservation)

Therefore, the walk of the prophet is to rid oneself of the fear of man and to be filled with the fear of the Lord. Jesus conquered this fear in the Garden of Gethsemane. (Matthew 26:26-44) The word Gethsemane literally means an "oil press." An oil press extracts oil from an olive; however, oil does not come out very easily! It is only when strong pressure is applied does it yield oil! Gethsemane is symbolic of such pressure – not on olives – but on our hearts. When we are under intense pressure, what is inside our hearts will press out.

As Jesus went into Gethsemane, the Bible says in verse 37 that He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed. Now, Jesus was in his greatest battle: to fulfill the will of the Father and go to the cross or find another way to avert that painful death. In verse 39, Jesus prayed saying, *"O my Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."* This is the first time we see the will of the Father and the will of the Son in conflict in the life of Jesus. Earlier in John 10:17, Jesus tells the Pharisees His life was His own to lay down. God did not force Him to do this. The wrestling in the garden came because Jesus knew the will of the Father and now He had to become it. (How many of us have a similar struggle with reading the truth about what God says we need to do with our lives and then actually acting upon that truth and doing it.) Jesus asked His Father if there were any other way. In prayer, He fervently battled this temptation of self-preservation and resisted to the point of sweating blood. (Luke 22:44) Later we see this obedience would conquer what no man had conquered before; the abandonment of the love of self for the complete trust and love of the Father!

In Mark 5:25-34, we read about a similar "death" experience through the story of the woman with the issue of blood. For 12 years, this woman tried everything under the sun to get healed. She went to every doctor and used up all the money she had. She was quarantined and abandoned by the community due to the laws written in Leviticus 15 which read that you were to be isolated



if you were bleeding as you were considered to be “unclean.” There came a point through this trial when she finally came to the end of herself and her resources and surrendered all control. This prepared her heart to hope in the Savior she had heard about who was just about to walk by. As she reached out with her hand of faith to touch the hem of His garment, IMMEDIATELY she was healed because all power went out of Jesus.....it flowed out of Him because of three reasons:

First, because she was completely surrendered and humbled through this process; she had been stripped of all dignity, all resources, and all control of her situation. It was a surrender of self that allowed her to have the strength to try and hold onto the hem of Jesus. Her heart was ready to give the Savior access to control the situation. Up until that point, she was in charge. She took it upon herself to go to the physicians and to get help. She looked to them to help her. She tried another and another. She-she-she did-did-did; doctor-doctor-doctor did-did-did..... she was compelled to keep going in her strength, at whatever costs, to survive. Her effort was warranted, but the issue was that there was something in her soul that could never rest....and at every disappointment and at every dead end....she was faced to surrender a little more hope in man and self which left more room for the Savior.

The blood issue represents the flesh, our sinful nature, the “Adam” of life, the blood of our bodies that needed to be drained, poured out so that the life of Jesus could fill her spirit, soul, and body. There was a complete exchange at that time when she touched Jesus. It was symbolic of what He was about to do on the cross; a blood transfusion from death to life. There is life in our blood which we need in order to live and not die, but the life in our blood is not eternal! She was dying, but God poured His blood into her and she was reborn in Him; new life, new body, and a new future.

Jesus is described in the scriptures in the Garden of Gethsemane of being in so much agony and stress that He shed tears of blood. His tears represented the shedding of his own will, his flesh, for the will of the Father. It took 12 years for her to let go of control and to have a heart change.....it took Jesus a long night in the garden. God can have us go through a time of trial to get through the layers of darkness camped out over our heart so we can experience His kingdom here on earth....a place we come to through our pain in which we find ourselves finally in complete surrender and total trust in the Lord. Then we see His glory released through our broken vessels and purified in Him. IMMEDIATELY, SUDDENLY, when that blood transfusion happens, we can be healed.

The Second reason is that she must have come to an understanding that Jesus was the Healer and had authority in the matter like a King. It is evidenced by her purposely grabbing the hem of his garment. This is significant because in biblical days, the hem of a garment represented a person’s authority. The Kings would have a hem especially designed so that when they would seal a contract with the imprint of the hem in clay. Having that faith in His authority,



she had surrendered her sickness to Him.

The Third reason she was healed instantly was because it was God's timing. Twelve years represents discipleship. When she finished going through this twelve year trial, Jesus just "happened" to be coming to town. She was made whole in Him and was then an ambassador for Christ to go out and make disciples out of men and women through her trial, testimony, and truth that now lived inside of her.

Through times of trial, God is taking us from glory to glory in trusting in HIM; not self or the voice of Satan. The Bible says we cannot serve two masters. When we are listening to ANY voice other than the Father's, we are then divided and cannot stand because we are serving the Lord and Satan at the same time. Any time we entertain any thoughts of fear, anxiety, stress, depression etc. we are serving the enemy because we are listening to his voice and not the Father's which will then get our eyes and our heart focused on "that" and not the Lord. The light of Jesus that lives inside of us gets covered over in darkness when we give the enemy access when we serve him in our mind and heart. That is when we feel trapped because we are split in two.

What are signs you have been under the influence of Jezebel?

Signs you have been under the influence of Jezebel are fear, depression, discouraged, frustration, feeling of abandonment, feeling of wanting to die or give up on the things God has gifted you in, fatigued, suicidal, self-pity, "poor me"; feeling like you are the only one going through something tough. Also attached to the influence of this spirit is sickness, great tribulation, and it aims at hurting your children! Rev. 2:20-23

Let's look at one of God's greatest prophets, Elijah before and after he encounters Jezebel:

ELIJAH:

- He was the most famous and dramatic of Israel's prophets.
- He predicted the beginning and the end of a 3 1/2 year drought.
- He restored a dead child to life.
- He represented God in a showdown with the priests of Baal and Ashekah.
- He was sent to confront, not comfort King Ahab who often rejected his message just because he brought it.
- He chose to carry his ministry out alone. This was his biggest mistake because Elijah experienced



being isolated and lonely and during times of weakness, he had no one to lean on to help. This is how the enemy found entrance to him and almost took him out of his calling.

- He saw himself as God's servant!

BEFORE ENCOUNTERING JEZEBEL:

Elijah is soaring in the Spirit with God's anointing. He has boldness. He has clarity. He has wisdom. He has confidence. He has purpose. He confronts. He completely trusts in God. Elijah is confronting all the prophets of Baal and giving them a chance to face truth. The prophetic word is going forth to expose the double alignment; half heart loving the Lord and the other half loving sinful pleasures. God was trying to expose their allegiance to worshipping self!

1Kings 18:21 says, "Then Elijah stood in front of them and said, "How long are you going to waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; But if Baal is God, then follow him." But the people were completely silent."

Then Elijah has a showdown with the 450 prophets of Baal. Both sides were to build altars unto their god and wait for their god to answer by fire. Elijah was solo, so he let them go first. He watched as they tried all their rituals to call on their gods, and even mocked them while he waited all day for "their gods" to show up.

Then in 1 Kings 18:30, Elijah said to all the people, "Come near to me." So all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken. And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the Lord had come, saying "Israel shall be your name." Then with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord, and he made a trench around the altar large enough to hold two seahs of seed."

Elijah is now challenging the prophets of Baal as he prophetically sets up the altar of God's promise for His bride, the twelve tribes of Israel that Jesus will return for. Then in verse 38 the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice and when the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The Lord, He is God! The Lord, He is God!" Then Elijah commanded the people to seize the prophets of Baal and not allow any to escape and they executed each one.



Later in his zeal to give King Ahab a last chance to turn from his sin before joining his wife Jezebel, Elijah ran 6 miles back to the city of Jezreel. In running back, he was also trying to ensure that the correct story of what happened with the prophets of Baal reached Jezreel.

But I believe that this was Elijah's biggest mistake in his ministry that caused him to run from Jezebel: He was so worried about the wrong story getting out that he took on this responsibility out of fear, not faith. More importantly, God had not asked him to take on that task! This fear came out of self protection which is why he became weak when confronted by the intimidation and threats of Jezebel. Also, he was totally exhausted after this monstrous demonstration he did for the Lord and then running six miles! When you are exhausted, you are easily struck down by the enemy's blows and lose your perspective. His eyes were on her, not HIM!

DURING HIS ENCOUNTER WITH JEZEBEL:

Jezebel makes her threats, and to gain control, she wants to kill and annihilate Elijah after King Ahab tells her how he had executed all the prophets of Baal. She was mad because he had undermined her control over the prophets.

1 Kings 19:2 "Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time."

Elijah hears those words and fear gripped him on all sides. What happened to the man of faith? The one who just conquered all those prophets of Baal? The one who was so confident in God that he could call on His name and He would show up? Now all of the sudden, faced with the threats of the Queen, he runs for his life.

1 Kings 19:3,4 "And when he saw THAT, he arose and ran for his life, and went to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there."

Elijah was tired! He was also coming down from an anointing that was powerful, and in his zeal, he decided to take matters in his own hands. In his tiredness, he also lost focus on being kingdom minded instead of earthly minded as we see that his heart became fixed on her words instead of the Lord's words. Those words caused him to panic and have fear.

Where Elijah missed it again was that he should have confronted that intimidation head on instead of allowing it to drive him out into the wilderness. If he had stood in God's authority, her authority would have seemed trivial as it did when he took on the prophets of Baal.



In this moment another thing may have happened that is worth noting. Elijah had just experienced a huge prophetic moment and had seen a huge God intervene and show Himself big when the Word of Elijah went forth. His expectation of this main event was that it would cause the enemy to tremble and crumble, which for the most part, it did. However, Ahab and Jezebel did not bow or crumble right then! And they were the main target! When the messenger came to Elijah with Jezebel's threats, I can imagine he was disappointed that they were still so hard hearted and wicked. **Dashed expectations need to be fought off immediately!**

When God uses any person in the prophetic, one must guard themselves afterwards from perceived expectations of how or when the word will work for His purposes. Then you cannot be hit with disappointment where doubt and fear can then find entrance to your soul. (If you pray for someone and you see them later and they don't seem to be getting breakthrough you prayed over etc., you can immediately go to the place of second guessing the word God had you deliver and take ownership for its results. **But you must leave the results in God's hands.** Otherwise, you will start doubting the gift of prophecy operating through you and it will cause you to retreat and be fearful to step out again.)

AFTER HIS ENCOUNTER WITH JEZEBEL:

Now we see Elijah coming under that control and intimidation of Jezebel and how it affects him. Because he did not confront it, he then partnered with it which is a common mistake any servant of God has who is being used by God and comes against someone who is a control freak!

1 Kings 19:4 "But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he prayed that he might die and said, "It is enough! Now, Lord, take my life, for I am no better than my fathers!"

Fear can drive you into your wilderness! Elijah was in a "poor me" state. He was feeling sorry for himself, and the fear had him believe he was alone in his troubles and the only prophet remaining. "I am the only one going through this!" "No one understands what I am going through!" "My problem is so big no one can even come close to my pain or help me." **That self-pity will dilute all the good you have done or are doing!**

This Jezebel spirit will get someone isolated as it causes you to run and hide! Then it comes in for the kill; making you believe you are washed up and need to die! When you are in this "poor me" state, you position your heart to "What can God do for me?" and seeing God so small instead of the big God we serve. It also gets your focus on yourself instead of the servant with the heart after God and His people. God wants our hearts positioned in a state of surrender unto Him,



humble and focusing on Who He is (BIG) rather than what He can do for me!

God meets Elijah in his weakness as we read later. To lead him out of depression, God let Elijah eat and rest. Then God confronted him with the need for him to return to his mission of speaking His words to Israel.

How do you overcome a Jezebel spirit?

- This spirit hates humility! As a matter of fact, through humility, this spirit will die!
- This spirit hates repentance! If one has a repentant heart toward God and recognizes when fear and intimidation are overruling their soul, this spirit will lose its grip.
- This spirit only thinks of self and fulfilling its own desires and lusts. It also seeks self-promotion, even when trying to operate in a prophetic gift. Therefore, one must exercise 1 Corinthians 14, the expression of God's love, and this spirit will flee!
- This spirit tells you to be a peacekeeper, not a peacemaker! There is a difference! A peacekeeper is someone who will try to keep peace at the expense of what is just and right and true so that person who is intimidating will not get upset. A peacemaker will confront the intimidation head on with God's word, His truth, and His love!
- This spirit wants to get your disappointed in God! Immediately take your disappointment and give it back to God so you can get your eyes back on Him and trade your perception for His perspective.
- Once you have sanctified your heart and repented for any wrong feelings and thoughts that came from this spirit you adopted, then you are able to go on the offense in prayer. You can command it to come under the blood and crush it with His word!



PART 6 - GODS WORD FOR THE BODY TODAY!



This year I heard the Lord saying to those who have been faithful, **“Enough is Enough!”** God’s hand of grace is coming in and breaking His people out of the bondages they have been in and the chains that have held them down. I saw God’s majestic hands wipe away the clouds, the weights; the strongholds that have kept His people from seeing His promises, seeing His victory, and seeing His vision come to pass in their lives. **It was His time.** He would show Himself Lord to those who are His....

During the darkest hours of trial, God’s people have learned to lean on Him for everything; seeking His grace, His guidance, His love, His mercy, His wisdom, His strength, and His favor to do ALL things. **More importantly, the transformation in the heart allowed God’s people to see His Kingdom purpose for their lives.** They began to understand that it wasn’t a time to run solo. It wasn’t a time to run ahead of another. It was time to recognize Jesus as the Commander in Chief, directing His army by joining their hands, their hearts, their gifts and talents for the preparation of the King. This took a humbling and an understanding that there was a bigger purpose than self. There was a bigger picture than what the eye could see; joined together in Him for such a time as this. And during the time of testing, the time of waiting to have all things line up in the Spirit, we were tested to wait on Him, to trust in Him, and to believe in Him as Lord:

“AS IN THE DAYS OF MOSES, I HEARD THE CRIES OF MY PEOPLE COME TO MY THRONE OF GRACE. I HAD COMPASSION ON THOSE WHO WERE WAITING ON ME. I HAD TEARS FOR THOSE WHO TRUSTED IN ME AND WERE HELD IN CAPTIVITY. BUT I SENT MY SON MOSES TO DELIVER THE PROMISE; TO DELIVER MY WORD, AND TO SET THE CAPTIVES FREE. I HONORED MY PEOPLE AND SENT FORTH SIGNS AND WONDERS. I PARTED THE RED SEA AND SENT FORTH MANNA FROM HEAVEN. I BROUGHT FIRE BY NIGHT AND CLOUDS BY DAY TO COMFORT THEM. BUT IN ALL THOSE DAYS, THEY COULD NOT STAND AGAINST THE ENEMY OF FEAR. IT WAS FEAR THAT DROVE THEM TO UNBELIEF. IT WAS FEAR THAT DROVE THEM TO THEIR FALSE GODS. AND IT WAS FEAR THAT PREVENTED THEM FROM ENTERING INTO THE PROMISE LAND.

AND SO NOW, IN THE DAYS AHEAD, I AM RELEASING MY PEOPLE FROM THE BONDAGES THAT HAVE HELD THEM BACK TO MOVE FORWARD IN ME. I HAVE TRIED THEM AND TESTED THEM. I HAVE ALLOWED THEM TO PERSEVERE THROUGH THE ONSLAUGHT OF FEAR AND



THE DESTRUCTION IT BRINGS. NO LONGER WILL MY PEOPLE BE MOVED BY FEAR. THEY WILL BE MOVED BY MY SPIRIT. THEY WILL RUN ON THE WINGS OF FAITH, AND MOVE OUT BOLDLY TO PERFECT MY PLAN. THEY WILL NOT MOVE UNTIL I SAY SO. THEY WILL KNOW I HAVE THEIR BACK.

AND THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN DILIGENT WILL SEE THEY HAVE BEEN CHOSEN AS JOSEPH TO LEAD MY PEOPLE OUT OF THE PLACE OF FAMINE, OUT OF THE TIMES OF DESPAIR AND INTO THE PROMISED LAND. THEY WILL BE POSITIONED TO RECEIVE THOSE WHO ARE LOST AND WOUNDED; EVEN THOSE WHO WERE ONCE STRONG IN ME. THEY WILL NURTURE THEM WITH MY LOVE. THEY WILL SEE MY FACE IN THEIR FACE. THEY WILL NOT BE MOVED BY DIFFERENCES BUT THEY WILL BE MOVED BY MY SPIRIT THAT OFFERS THE BRIDE THE GIFT OF LIFE. MY PERFECT LOVE CASTS OUT FEAR. THEY WILL CARRY MY ANOINTING OF PERFECT LOVE FOR THEY ARE CONSUMED IN ME. THEY WILL FREELY GIVE OUT THAT WHICH I HAVE DEPOSITED. THEY ARE THE CHOSEN ONES TO COME OUT FROM THEIR PRISONS AND RULE IN THE SPIRIT AND TO SEE MY GLORY MANIFESTED ON THE EARTH. “

The Lord reminded me of the revelation He once gave me of Joseph and his brothers. Joseph was given the coat of many colors; a mantle that did not look like his brothers nor his ancestors. He was rejected by his family and tossed aside to be sold as a slave. During his time of captivity, a prisoner in the house of Pharaoh, he was forced to lean on His faith and belief in God; tested in trusting God.

Meanwhile, Joseph walked in righteousness and the Lord's favor was upon Him. He grew in wisdom and in stature, and developed an understanding of Pharaoh's culture and his ways. He exercised his gift when given an opportunity, and his gift brought him before Pharaoh. And it was through his obedience to trust in God and the gift God had placed inside of him that he delivered to Pharaoh the interpretation of his dream. This opened up the door for Joseph to take the second most powerful and influential position in the nation as Pharaoh put him in charge of his kingdom.



Then Pharaoh said to Joseph,

“Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is no one as discerning and wise as you. You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you.”
And Pharaoh said to Joseph, “See I have set you over all the land of Egypt.”
Genesis 41:39-41

Joseph had those years in prison to understand the ways of Pharaoh so he was prepared to handle this responsibility. The coat of many colors represented mantles of leadership, prosperity, intercession, prophesy, wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, and discernment to name a few. Bridled together with this new position, Joseph was in alignment to fulfill his call. **God had positioned Joseph to prosper for a greater purpose than to be governor of the land. Joseph was going to be used by God for His Kingdom’s sake and His covenant to His people to save the children of Israel from famine and ultimately death and destruction.**

Joseph is an example of today’s remnant; a people cast out by the church religious structures, to be raised in His timing for this eternal cause. They are now in positions of influence and have been tested and tried and whose heart is pure before God. These are the ones who were rejected by the church and cast out because they wore a different coat; a coat of many colors that was exempt from the traditions of the church. They did not look or act or think like the family of God they had grown up with. The brothers and sisters reacted in jealousy and anger; taking things in their hands, making sure this remnant did not replace them or rule over them. They liked their position and authority and rejected anyone who threatened that position.

Today, churches that have been founded on tradition and a hierarchy of religious systems will be challenged as it will find itself in a time of famine and drought from the workings of the Holy Spirit as well as faced with the devastation of the end times. And there will come a day the church will seek the Joseph’s for a life line. And the challenge will be to the remnant, *“Is your heart ready for the church that has rejected you? Are you ready to receive as God does with a heart that is forgiving and full of His mercy and grace to reach out a hand of healing and hope, free of bitterness or anger to those brothers and sisters in faith, even the leaders, who rejected you?”* For it was in those days of prison that Joseph was given time to heal his heart and set him free of bitterness, betrayal, anger, and abandonment. This time was essential so that Joseph was equipped to rule with righteousness and receive his brothers when they came for help so that God’s covenant could go forth. Our darkest hours are also set aside for His purpose when we yield ourselves to Him. God has a plan to come back for His bride. Is your heart ready for the King? Are you positioned for His return?



PART 7 - CONCLUSION



When Jesus was born, God became a man. He was not part man or part God; he was completely human and completely divine. Before Christ came, people could know God partially. After Christ came, people could know God fully because he became visible and tangible in Christ. Christ is the perfect expression of God in human form. Now we can see by His example how we can be imitators of Christ when He becomes Lord of our lives....we live in the flesh as a human but His divine nature lives inside of us because of the blood that gives us access to be Him so Christ's creative divine nature is in us. The prophetic is a great part of God's great plan on redemption and restoration for a believer because His WORD brings life to our lives and gives us clarity as to how we fit into His covenant story.

Isaiah 55:10,11 *"For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there but water the earth and make it bring forth and bud, That is may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My WORD be that goes forth from MY mouth: It shall not return to Me void but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it."*

Revelations 1:16 *"He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength."*

Jesus, our Commander in Chief, our Bright and Morning Star, the Author and Finisher of our faith, is coming back for us with His weapon, His Sword, His WORD!

Revelation 19:14, 15 *"The armies of heaven, dressed in pure white linen, followed him on white horses. From his mouth came a sharp sword, and with it he struck down the nations."*

You can partner with the Holy Spirit and allow Jesus, the WORD, to come forth and create His plan! God has given you the keys to unlock His plan...

JESUS
THE WORD
And
THE HOLY SPIRIT!



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Today, Mo'Manna continues to build upon the foundation that has been laid, acting as a vehicle to draw the body of Christ together. Mo' Manna is providing a safe hub for like-minded visions to launch, network, develop, and reach their goals. Through their subsidiary program, Mo' Manna also provides a 501(c)3 covering to those burgeoning visions purposed to share the Gospel outside the four walls of the church. By offering a covering to unite the body of Christ, we feel Mo' Manna offers the ability to impact the community powerfully with God's heart. We have seen over the years this model has been able to multiply efforts and maximize time and money to affect the community with help and hope.

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