

Prophecy In the Everyday

1. What Do We Mean By Prophecy?

'In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions; your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.' (Acts 2:17-18)

A prophecy is a message from God conveying His heart, intent, will, purpose.

God wants to speak to us in our daily life concerning His heart and plans for us as well as for others around us.

The Holy Spirit speaks to us through the means of prophetic revelation. The word 'revelation' in the New Testament Greek, apokalupsis, means 'an uncovering,' or disclosure.

In other words God is revealing something to us by His Spirit that we wouldn't know by natural means.

A prophecy can be given to us FOR US. He wants to direct us in our daily life.

A prophecy can also be given through us FOR SOMEONE ELSE

2. The Prophetic Lifestyle

"I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does." (John 5:19)

Some foundations:

- Be filled with the Holy Spirit (John 16:7-15)
- Break down the divide between SPIRITUAL and SECULAR (1 Cor 10:31)
- You don't need a SPECIAL GIFT to live a prophetic lifestyle (Acts 2:17-18)
- If you DO have a gift, it is not just for ministry, but also for MISSION in your daily life (see the life of Jesus)

3. Understand How God Speaks

God speaking is not like a human speaking. He is SPIRIT and has many creative ways in which He can communicate with us.

Here are some ways we can receive prophetic revelation in our daily life:

- Bible reading and devotional life
- The Spirit's inner voice, prompts & nudges, checks, conscience etc
- Dreams
- Visions, pictures in our imagination
- A word, thought or idea
- Something we see is symbolic
- Divine appointments – look like coincidences
- OTHER WAYS

Ask, 'Do I want this?' and
'Which of the above would I like to experience more of?'

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4. Prophetic Dreams

Refer enclosed flyer on 'What To Do With Your Prophetic Dream.'

Some dream basics:

- The Bible teaches that God speaks to His people through dreams.
- Most dreams we have are about us—from the soul. But that doesn't mean they don't have value.
- Dreams are symbolic in nature. For the most part, symbols will be unique to us personally (dream dictionaries are of limited use)
- People appearing in our dreams are not literally themselves, but usually symbolic of something else, e.g. they may represent an attribute in us.
- A prophetic dream may use Biblical symbols or imagery, but not always.

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