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The Spirit of Prophecy

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God has given every believer the ability to hear, understand and walk out our faith with a spirit of prophecy

Revelation 19:10 “...For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”

Everything is about Jesus Christ, and we testify of His sacrificial love as we pick up our cross and follow Him.

The Bible is approximately one-third prophecy and will not be completely fulfilled until the New Jerusalem comes down from Heaven. **The Bible is complete, but it is not completely fulfilled!** We are living epistles fulfilling the Word.

Acts 2 The outpouring of the Holy Spirit came as tongues of fire to enable us to speak with the power and authority of the Holy Spirit to prophetically call forth the Kingdom of God. The very first sermon by Peter, he gave reference to the prophetic Scripture from **Joel 2:28-32** as to now being fulfilled and it all had to do with prophecy! It said you will prophecy, see visions (prophetic), dream dreams (prophetic)...and they all shall prophecy and even the heavens will show the wonders of God. It has been said that this outpouring of the Spirit will increase in the last days, so what is actually increasing? The voice and revelation of the prophetic! #1 thing Jesus taught? The Kingdom of God.

The difference of the five-fold ministry of a prophet (**Eph 4:11**) and the spirit of prophecy (**Rev 19:10**).

Amos 3:7 “Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets.”

God shows His servants before He moves so they will call forth the will of God.

Ezekiel 37:4 “Again He said to me, ‘Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, ‘O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!’”

John 14:29 “And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe.” -Jesus

Prophecy is to build our faith and trust in God so we can apply His Grace and be obedient to His commands.

1 Corinthians 12:10 Prophecy is a gift of the Holy Spirit; all we have to do is ask and believe.

Matthew 6:9-10 “Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.”

This is calling forth the spiritual Kingdom that will be fulfilled is the literal physical Kingdom of God.

Receiving a Spirit of Prophecy

Malachi 4:5 "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD."

This is a spirit of boldness, commitment, miracles, prophecy and fire and God wants to give **you** a double portion!

1. Like Elijah, we have to be all-in, sold-out and on fire for God. We are either all in, or we are not in at all.

Revelation 19:10 "...For the **testimony** of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." Testimony: marturia (mar-too-ree-ah) martyr.

1 Kings 18:-21 "And Elijah came to all the people, and said, 'How long will you falter between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him. 'But the people answered him not a word'."

2. Honor God's Appointed Times; God told Israel to meet with Him 3 times a year during the Feasts of Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles. As Christians we have a daily appointed time for prayer and a 7th day appointed time called the Sabbath.

Matthew 6:33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. If we honor the prophetic time clock of God, He will speak to us prophetically.

3. A pure heart. This is only possible through God's grace which is the power to overcome sin, not the power to live with sin.

Matthew 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God.

Pure: katharos (kath-ar-oss) without blemish and undefiled. A hardened, unforgiving, rebellious, selfish, sinful heart is blinded to the things of God.