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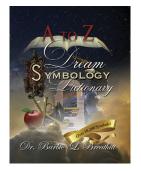
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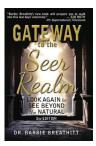
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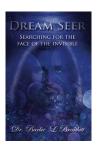
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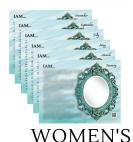


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Editor's Letter

Dreams and Visions



"Listen to my words: 'When there is a prophet among you, I, the LORD, reveal myself to them in visions, I speak to them in dreams." Numbers 12:6

This issue is entitled "Dreams and Visions". While our writers are prophets and prophetic people, God wants everyone to prophesy. He states, "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" (Acts 2:17). We are in the Last Days; God is pouring out his Spirit; we are sons and daughters of God, and there are dreams and visions coming forth. People are hungry for someone to interpret their dreams. You can set up a table at a festival and say dreams interpreted here and even lost people will come over for an interpretation and an opportunity for you to minister. Yes, you can have a dream for other people as a word and sometimes a vision within a dream. I had one such dream for a student in my class.

One night I had a dream about a student in my class. I was walking down a bridge that had a population sign at the end of it. There were many people entering the bridge and moving toward the sign but as they passed into the city limits the population number dropped. I saw a pathway that went down beside the bridge into a dirt area that had a white SUV parked there. I got into the passenger front seat and looked over and Jesus was driving. I was excited to get this meeting, but as I turned around to look into the back seat, I saw one of my students with a man who, at the time, I thought was her father (later she said it was not) but it ended up being an Angel. As she sat there, the Angel began to talk about how great a softball player she was. Within this dream, I had a vision and I saw she was playing a college championship game in a stadium. At the last pitch, the team erupted with enthusiasm gathering together on the field. They had won the championship. The dream ended.

The next day at the school, I was in class with this senior girl and walked over to her and asked her if she played softball (I had never seen her play a game). She pointed to a small logo on the left side of her polo shirt that had a girls' softball emblem on it, I told her the dream, but she was not enthusiastic about it. I did not know if she believed it or not. As I walked back to my desk, I had a vision of her as a pitcher, so I wrote it down on a post -it note. I stood in front of the class holding the post-it note towards me so that everyone could not see I asked her what position she played; she said pitcher; I held up the post-it note in front of her, giving it to her. She said, "that's creepy" (an unexpected response). I did not know that she had made the decision not to play softball in college. I told her that maybe God wanted her to reevaluate her decision. One of her friends encouraged her in that direction. Later, I found

out she decided not to play softball because she was tired of playing the game, and she wanted to be a nurse; her grades were good enough for scholarships. She felt like softball would be a commitment and a distraction from achieving that goal. I released her from the pressure of having made that decision and blessed her in her nursing studies. Just a few years ago, she posted on Facebook her graduation as a nurse. The lesson here is simple: just because you have a good word from the Lord that would result in a big blessing does not mean the person receiving it has to directionally do what it says, in this case play softball. God believes in human free will.

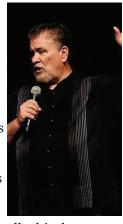
You will find in this edition seasoned prophetic people who will encourage you to pursue God's prophetic voice in your life and to explore the dream realm. Our featured authors are Dr. Barbie L. Breathitt, renown for dream interpretation, and Clay Nash who dreams national strategies.



Dr. Breathitt
is noted for her
study in the field of
Spiritual dreams and
their interpretation.
Her article is
entitled, "Dreams
Reveal our Internal
Questions, Talents,
and Treasures".
Dr. Breathitt, after
having established

the importance of dreams, begins her article examining the Hebrew words for dreams. She states, "In the ancient form of the language, shanah communicates the idea of divine revelation that brings change or a new beginning, peace and the power of God. The word shanah is spelled Shin (complete, wholeness of a faithful remnant), Nun (celebration of moving forward in liberty and deliverance) and Hei (the redemptive grace and favor of the presence of God). The word sleep has an esoteric meaning, in the idea of God mysteriously completing us or making us whole while we sleep so we can advance with His presence and wisdom upon waking". In classic fashion of explaining dream interpretation, she instructs the reader to pay attention to buildings, rooms and structures, (doors and windows), and adds the face and the mouth as part of dream interpretation.

Clay Nash, also a featured author, is part of the leadership of N.E.I. (Network Ekklesia International), a relational apostolic alliance led by Dutch Sheets. He is also the leader of the Josiah Company Prayer Call. In his article "Strategic Dreams for the Ekklesia", he reveals that God has been giving him strategic dreams of instruction for the Ekklesia, the legislative Body of Christ. He focuses on two important dreams that he believes are connected, even though



they were several months apart. He calls this dream "The Formation" Dream. He saw two angels dressed as "Delta Force Special Ops" soldiers, and he states, "In my dream the same angel that is in many of my dreams appeared and began to release instructions to me." Nash goes on to share the collaboration he developed with Dutch Sheets regarding The Oregon Trail and the "Gathering of the Mavericks," which involved a dream in which Dutch Sheets' began a social media thread entitled "Gathering the Mavericks." Sheets invited those on his thread to meet him in Oregon City, Oregon, and prepare to be sent out to locations in America to find their tribe and become "burning ones".

Dr Tom Reedy, author and editor-in-chief of



Fullness Magazine Online, in his article "God's Guidance: Directional Dreams" examines warning and guidance dreams in the Old and New Testament, providing examples from his own personal life. He states, "There are many variations of dreams and interpretations of dreams such as what I call Pizza Dreams, that is, dreams that are just simply

recounting the day's events; Processing Dreams, both God inspired and subconscious dealing with issues, and less common demonic dreams, The prophetic dreams are the ones that are most significant. First of all, prophetic dreams are the ones that you remember; they usually have a congruent theme with easily identifiable elements and plot. Second, you may find yourself in your dreams and even as if you are hearing your innermost thoughts about circumstances in the dream. Third, reoccurring dreams, either the same dream or one that restates the premise of the dream, add another layer of significance. Fourth, it goes without saying if you would encounter an Angel or Jesus in a dream, then you should really be paying attention to what is going on and what is being said. Lastly, You should be aware of verb tenses and if there are any conditional statements such as 'if you do this, then I will do that.' Pay particular attention to timing since dreams are not constrained by a timetable.

Prophet and columnist Jennifer Peikert with

"Declaring the Truth" Ministries, in her article "I Am a Creative God Who Speaks in Creative Ways" explores the combinations of ways God speaks to His people. As an example of speaking through smells and sounds, she recalls, "I was sitting with the Lord one day, and I began to smell bubblegum. I could hear someone chewing gum, blowing bubbles, and then popping bubbles.



The Lord began to speak to me through this. The smell of bubble gum generally means childlikeness. Chewing can mean meditating or thinking about something. Bubbles can speak of an episode in one's life or time period, Spirit being, life (the Spirit bubbling up). Through all of this, God spoke." On another occasion Jennifer states, "I was awakened by God to the smell and sound of fireworks. There were not any fireworks going off in the natural. This was all happening in the spiritual. Fireworks usually means celebration. He began to speak to me through this and said, 'It is time to CELEBRATE. Let's celebrate your victory together. Let's celebrate the truth that you are already in victory. Victory is yours and you will see it manifest. CELEBRATE the victory as if you already have it because you do." She concludes her article with a recounting of a dream and a vision and stating, "You and I were created to fellowship with God. He wants to speak to you. He wants to give you dreams and visions. But, He isn't limited to just dreams and visions. As you read in some of my experiences He uses smells, taste, feelings, and all of our senses to speak. I will be honest; I love the way He has chosen to speak to me. Through the visions, dreams, smells, taste and more, I have truly seen what a creative God we have."

Pam Jackson in her article "Dreams, Visions, and

the Extraordinary Things of God" explains how God has used dreams and visions in her life. She recounts a vision regarding the Fullness ministry trip to the Philippines stating, "Most recently while our Pastors were ministering in the Philippines, there was a group, Declaration Ministries, that ministered on a Sunday. While we



were worshipping, I saw this bright, purple crystal, it was the most beautiful purple crystal I had ever seen. I am an avid rock collector, so I've seen lots of purple crystals. Then I saw an egg-shaped rock which I knew immediately was a geode (a geode is usually an oval shaped rock that when cracked open, contains crystals). As the group was ministering, I saw the frequency of the sound break open the geode and again the purple crystals were so radiant! As I was looking at the

geode, all of sudden it felt like I was shot forward, I went through a portal. I heard the Lord say we went to another level, another portal, another dimension, something had shifted in the spiritual."

Jonas Bohlin, pastor of Fullness in Christ Church,

shares his heart in his column regarding what the most important ministry and teaching a pastor can do for his congregation. He states, "As a pastor there are some particularly vital facts that I want those in my congregation to know. Their future depends on the truths that are described to us in the Word of God. Not only their future, but



also the future of those who follow behind them and the future of those around them." He goes on to say, "I believe that it is of utmost importance that those who gather know the personality of God, who they are, and the power that is theirs. If not, the ekklesia, the gathering of believers, will become a social club."

Budd Rodgers, in his column entitled "The Shepherd's



Voice", explains the meaning of Passover for the Believer. In 2023, someone asked him about the Israel-Hamas war and he answered with "I believe that Israel will be victorious in its fight against Hamas and a cease fire will come by Passover of this next year". (2024). Rodgers goes on to explain that each believer, whether they celebrate the actual Passover

Feast, should celebrate the blood of Christ sacrificed on our behalf. He states, "You have been redeemed not with the blood of sheep or bulls but of the precious blood of the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ."

Blessings,

Tom



Dreams Reveal our Internal Questions, Talents and Treasures



Who am I? Who do I want to be when I grow up? What is my purpose and destiny in life? What are my gifts and talents? The answers to these and many other similar questions lead us to discover who we were created to become in Christ. The questions we have about the future are answered in our dreams today. Our dreams reveal the essence of who we are or the underlying theme of our life.

We can trust God to supply the answers to life's enduring questions as we slumber by formulating dreams that bring the wanted insight to life's struggles. Our dreams are God's answers to the questions we hide within. When the dreams we dream answer life's questions and their wisdom is embraced, we then have the courage to give them expression. The success we experience in our dream life can be transferred into our waking life. Dreams allow us to connect with who we are now but more importantly they form us into who we are called to become.

Dreams reveal the buried treasures that lay within each of us. Some dreamers have so many gifts, talents and abilities they appear as a treasure chest full of gold and precious stones in dreams. God has given each person unique gifts and talents that connect us to our world. No one can do the things you are called to do in life. You are the best and only you. The unique gifts and talents you possess enable you to help those who cross your path. The life experiences and wisdom you have gleaned become the answer to someone else's life. The skills you acquired to overcome life's disappointments can be shared with others to bring comfort and healing. Your pain was not in vain. God can take every painful situation and use it to reshape your nature. He can turn everything for your good.

Dreams answer questions and bring wisdom to solve difficult problems. They make us aware of how to break bad, perplexing habits and how to remove hindrances or obstacles that are keeping us from reaching our full potential.

Dreams give us creative solutions to problems we face in family or career relationships. Dreams unleash us into creativity and inventiveness. If we grasp the new visions our dreams present, they will make us more open, flexible and attuned to our God-given abilities.

We will be successful if we will only see things from God's perspective and make the necessary changes. If we don't take a chance or make any changes when answers are given to our questions, we will always come out with the same results. But, if we will allow our emotions to alert us that changes are needed, our dreams will give us the keys to a deeper understanding. They will unlock our aspirations, potential and destiny. A dream answer brings healing to our brokenness by helping us to see the root system, which enables us to cut off their negative effects in our lives.

Prophetic dreams are full of the presence of God's knowledge, revelatory insights, parabolic imagery, and divine inspiration. Prophetic dreams brought astute perception and spiritual guidance to men like righteous Jacob and wise Solomon, wealthy Abraham, Joseph, and valiant Daniel, who said, "The Spirit of the Lord fills the world" because every detail is essential. These dreams come to the courageous righteous who are full of God's wisdom. Through prayer God opens the dreamer's understanding to give him divine knowledge of His ways and plans when like the prodigal son said, "I will rise and go to my Father." The spirit of God is always drawing and wooing us to Him. As we sleep and slumber upon our bed at night the Spirit of the Lord beckons us to know God in Spirit and in Truth.

"I sleep but my heart is awake, it is the voice of my beloved that knocks..." Song of Solomon 5:2

"I sleep but my heart is awake" is an engaging tender phrase of intimacy that relays a romantic depth of desire for spiritual insight. Though she sleeps, her heart continually makes diligent search for her lover. She dreams of hearing the voice of her beloved as she listens for the sound of his knock upon the door of her heart.

The Hebrew word yishenah means to sleep, to replicate or to transform to gain understanding of divine revelation. The word "shanah" as in Rosh Hashanah, means to repeat, to do once more or to do over again, a vearly change or another new beginning. In the ancient form of the language, shanah communicates the idea of divine revelation that brings change or a new beginning, peace, and the power of God. The word shanah is spelled Shin (complete, wholeness of a faithful remnant), Nun (celebration of moving forward in liberty and deliverance) and Hei (the redemptive grace and favor of the presence of God). The word sleep has an esoteric meaning in the idea of God mysteriously completing us or making us whole while we sleep so we can advance with His presence and wisdom upon waking.

If we were to live a total of one hundred and twenty years our physical, natural body would have slept forty of those years or one third of our lives in an unconscious state. Our physical body sleeps while our spirit man remains watchful, awake and very actively attuned to God. God exists outside of linear time because He is eternal, residing simultaneously in the cycles of time: past, present and the future. God shares His revelation knowledge with us while we sleep and dream so we can align our character to gain spiritual insights, prosperity, and understandings. This revelation knowledge allows us to redeem the loses of the past, prosper in the present and successfully project where we need to be to thrive in the future before those opportunities even exist or materialize.

God conceals future things from us in symbolism until we have been adequately prepared to receive and carry the full weight of the revelation. Until we have been equipped and transformed in our sleep the dream symbols remain a mystery. But once we have developed our spirit to come into the place of understanding, the mystery is removed, and godly wisdom comes to give us access to the promised blessings seen beyond the veil.

Buildings, Rooms & Structures

A skillful architect first imagines plans and then he/ she carefully draws the design of a building or beautiful structure according to the exact measurements of the blueprint so the edifice will serve a specific purpose or function. The designer places a part of his/her fingerprint on each room, chamber, hallway, and porch. Every square inch reflects his/her DNA yet resonates with its own distinct glory. The beauty of the exterior windows, doors, arches, and the slope of the roof draw the admiring eyes and attention of those who pass by. The human body was fashioned by the Architect of the Universe out of the dust of the ground. God formed man in His image and likeness with His hands. Then God blew the breath of life into Adam, so he became a living being. God's original plan, design and blueprint were to make His habitation with and in man. The Holy Spirit still dwells within the hearts of man not in houses made with human hands. Believers are the sacred temples of the Holy Spirit.

The dreams we dream give us insights into the person God has created us to be. The long hallways we travel during times of transition and decision making give us entrance into new doors that open to rooms we have never seen before. There we discover gifts, talents, and abilities we have not tapped into yet. These chambers are parts of our life that have lain dormant until we discern them in the fullness of time. After a period of preparation, we are now ready to step through the door. We cross the threshold into a fresh chapter in life to explore the breadth, length, height, and depth of God's vast love dawning on the horizon.

Our dreams can depict us living in previous homes from our childhood or distant past, or our dreams may feature us in some futuristic space station in the outer realms of space. Seeing your own house in a dream is one of the most common dream symbols. Houses represent you. They can also symbolize the unconscious center of our emotion or psychological self which is not fully known by our mind. All our conscious and subconscious familiarity, memories and developmental stages of life may be represented by various houses or



rooms that appear in our dreams. They are often full of intricate details that cause our minds to wonder why these facts have been included. When we discover each of their varied meanings, we discover new and interesting aspects about our potential, giftings, talents and purpose of being alive.

The homes we find ourselves dwelling in usually do not resemble our present-day homes. Often the houses we encounter in our dreams are nothing like the homes we have occupied in our waking life. We may keep returning to the same house, which never existed in our waking life. Visiting past dwelling places in our dreams enables us to explore our unconscious thoughts and fading memories. These houses have rooms and hidden chambers we have never seen before. The hallways of transition seem to stretch on into eternity and never come to an end.

The house we occupy is a representation of ourselves and our present mental condition. It reflects our perspectives on life and is a barometer that allows us to determine how we are feeling about our present circumstances or how they are affecting us. Jesus said, "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also." John 14:1–3

Jesus is the door that leads to the Father in heaven. Jesus is the carpenter and architect, who is building in the New Jerusalem. We are the pillars, rooms, dwelling places, houses, and mansions. "And I saw the holy city, the New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. It was prepared like a bride dressed for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne. It said, "Now God's home is with people. He will live with them. They will be his people. God himself will be with them and will be their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death, sadness, crying, or pain. All the old ways are gone." Revelation 21:2-4

Doors

Doors represent opportunities; if they are open this is an invitation to come up higher to explore potential changes. If something is blocking the door don't give up; keep knocking until you get the desired answers. If someone is knocking on a front door it means that an opportunity is presenting itself now. Doors represent both positive and negative choices or directions that are being offered. Doors give unexpected entrances to a new experience so we can leave the old behind during times of transition. Doors make it possible for us to step forward into the new. When unwanted changes are forcing themselves upon us, we often dream of a scary, large intruder trying to force his way through the door into our safe home.

Do not sit idly by to wait for opportunity to knock at your door; create it. Your now and future prosperity depends upon your ability to imagine yourself rising above obstacles and accomplishing your purposed destiny. The dreams you hold within your heart are revealed through the words you express in prayer. Jesus is the only door that gives us access to God the Father. Prayer is not a technique, program or formula to get what you want from God. When you pray find a quiet, secluded place; be as simple and honest as possible. Do not change who you are or the way you communicate to put on some theatrical act before God. Shift your focus from yourself onto the love and grace God offers. When you sense the presence of the Holy Spirit follow His lead and pray what is on your heart. Prayer is an art of twoway communication between God and man. Words are more powerful than most people realize. The dreams you dream, the thoughts you think and the words you express form your world. Everyone has access to creativity. What kind of world will your imagination create for you?

Doors allow us to gain entrance into new opportunities, but if they are locked, they can also keep us from stepping into our future or destiny. We may feel like someone, or something is trying to keep us locked out or shut down through imposing strict limitations on our gifts and talents. A time of prayer and spiritual reflection will show you where the keys are that will unlock this door of destiny. Is there a weakness, character flaw, an addiction to work or an individual or substance that is keeping you from being the successful person you are meant to be? Once you discover the keys that unlock your success, be willing to make the necessary changes and the doors will spring open. If you see someone leaving through the back door exit in a dream, this can indicate they will be passing away or leaving your life.

Windows

In dreams a window represents the dreamer's vision, their life views, perspectives, or spiritual insights. If the window is open, you are seeing an opportunity; one's potential or future hopes. God will open the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing you will not be able to contain. But, in contrast, if the window is closed it is not yet time for the things you are viewing to come to pass. If someone is sitting in a window, they are content just watching life passing by, so they need to take a chance or start actively living again. To see someone climbing in a window indicates that dishonesty will be exposed. To climb out a window in a dream means there will be a narrow escape from calamity. If there is a window in the sky it represents an open heaven where great favor and increased blessing will begin to rain down on the dreamer.

The Face

The face is the part of our being that is seen the most by others. We always attempt to put our best face forward when we meet others or want to make a good impression. But the face can also represent the false or a mask that is being worn to hide behind when we don't want to be truthful or reveal our true self. Who is that man in the mirror? The face represents a person's identity or image, their distinctive characteristics, and facial features of how they are known and recognized.

Our face demonstrates the heart reflections or visage when we notice the expressions or facial features.

The countenance will convey a message through its outward appearance. The face will exhibit their disposition, feelings, or mood. If the face is disfigured in some manner or a foreign growth appears, the dreamer is being warned of an embarrassing situation that may represent some



challenges. When the face is full of smiles there is happiness, success, and joy in life. When God appears in our dreams it is usually about a face-to-face encounter with intimacy. An all knowing, loving God has come to reveal Himself to us. When we come face-to-face with someone or something in our dreams it can represent intimacy with a friend, fading or increasing glory or a confrontation with an enemy.

When light meets any type of darkness, there is a confrontation. God's angels of light appear to battle dark, evil or demonic angels, but we are not able to recall their facial features. When angels or the Holy Spirit appear in our dreams, we often refer to them as faceless people or friends who came to lead or guide us out of a bad situation. If our face is sad, we may be walking through difficulties, failure, sorrow, or grief. We are to face, encounter or confront both difficult and desirable situations. This may cause us to change directions or take an about-face strategy in life. The earth also has a face. To dream of a face could indicate something on a very large-scale taking place on the face of the earth.

The Mouth

No one wants to be known as a 'big mouth.' If our mouth is known for speaking words of wisdom and counsel, then people will cherish the sweet words we speak. The mouth can be known for many different things. It can speak as a witness or testify, experience romantic, sensual pleasures in a



kiss and a mouth can bite off more than it can chew.

Pay close attention to the mouth's condition. Is it a mouth of gossip when it is open? Or is it able to receive physical nourishment; or produce spiritual prayers chewing on the loving words of wisdom or speaking forth godly advice and grace. Since we only have one mouth it is important that we develop our listening skills twice as much and learn to talk less. We will give an account for every idle or hurtful word we speak, so let's keep short accounts. By our own words we will be justified or condemned.

Sleep is the time God chooses to give us His perspective, to steer us away from harmful events and to give us life, vision, direction, provision and destiny. As our understanding is enlightened, we will be able to follow the leading our dreams provide. A scoffer may seek wisdom and find none, but spiritual knowledge comes easily to one who has an understanding heart. Wisdom rests in the hearts of those who seek to have spiritual understanding of their dreams. A true dreamer is one who sees the impossible and knows through God it will become possible. Dreamers can see the shadow of things to come as if by moonlight, by joining their faith to believe. The rays of the morning's dawn bring understanding and visionary clarity. Dreams unlock the deepest depths of knowledge and understanding

as we peacefully rest in God's embrace. Dreams allow our hearts to express our inner beliefs in a grand way. Dreams are God's night parables that direct our path and speak to our daily needs in life. The dream events



we experience are awesome promises that come while we, the dreamers, are sleeping. The questions we have today or about our past or the future are answered in our dreams.

The time we spend sleeping has many diverse and varied benefits. Sleep allows the physical body to rest, repair itself, and improve our health. It also gives us the vision for tomorrow. Life would be so much smaller if we were not able to dream. So, dream largely and see God's hand move to bring increase, largeness,

sufficiency, and a grand future to pass. The quality and length of our lives is related to the quality and quantity of our sleep patterns and God given dreams. We should believe that we will receive God's divine intervention and answers and enjoy peaceful, deep sleep.

Proverbs 3:24 "When you lie down, you will not be afraid; Yes, you will lie down and your sleep will be sweet." We can trust God to supply the needed answers by formulating dreams that bring needed insight as we slumber. Our dreams are God's answers to the questions we hide within. Once our dreams are embraced we have the courage to give them expression.

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For several years now, God has been giving me what I and others believe are strategic dreams of instruction for the Ekklesia, the legislative Body of Christ. In this article I want to share with you two important dreams that I believe are connected, even though they were several months a part.

The "Formation" Dream

I had this dream on December 13th, 2023, in the morning hours. It's a dream of the "Forward Transition" of God's nation, America.

In my dream the same angel that is in many of my dreams appeared and began to release instructions to me. There were two angels with the "Justice Gate Angel". These two were dressed as "Delta Force Special Ops" soldiers would dress, but their angelic features were evident and intimidating. They stood behind the Justice Gate Angel and their stare was as if they were seeing what was coming from behind me. The **intentional stance** they took made me want to turn and look, yet I felt totally at peace in that the strong presence of God was manifested.

The Justice Gate Angel instructed me to tell the people **not to become distracted** by their concern for what was happening in America, and **not to diminish their focus** over what is coming to America. He further said to admonish my people that they **must remain**

intentionally engaged to God's will for the nation but rooted in completed faith from His established covenants. He said to instruct the people to speak, declare and decree God's words, Heaven's will, and the nation's future. The Angel said to admonish the Ekklesia that God is amplifying His voice through their voice and words spoken in completed faith, and it will become a sound heard around the world and that this sound will deafen some, awaken some and strike fear in the hearts of those that are complacent in their compromise. The Justice Gate Angel stated that the intensity of the battle will strengthen determined hearts, renew fire in lukewarm hearts and cause 2024 to be remembered as the year of transition from fresh hope and great expectations into revealed and initiated strategies resulting in constant victories.

Then he spoke something that struck a chord with me. He said tell God's people they can declare what they believe but must decree what they know (according to the Word of God) and to further instruct them that God's promises were backed by everlasting covenants, covenants that never age because they are Spiritual and eternal. Expounding on decreeing what

¹The Justice Gate Angel first revealed himself to me as such in a vision in 2015 in West Memphis AR, during the Trail of Hope Tour.

we know, the angel said to tell them, only the truth they know and have become one with will bring freedom to the masses that are frozen in the valley of decision. He finished with saying the Josiah Company² would become a movement of fitly joined warriors that are not just carriers of truth but are those that become truth in their spheres of authority and influence.

Then the Justice Gate Angel had one of the Special Forces Angels step up and address me with instructions. When this Angel spoke, it caused thunder to roar from the heavens. The angel stated that the clash of kingdoms would become more thunderous and would seek to distract God's people from hearing God's voice, but God's plan to amplify His voice by amplifying His people's voice would silence the thunder. He further stated that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is calling an orderly formation of the Josiah Company and Angel Armies to assemble together in battle formation in order to advance the righteousness, peace and joy of His Kingdom, by His Spirit in the earth.

End of Dream.

Some important statements that stand out to me are:

- 1. I have had many, many dreams that involve angels. However, I have never had one with such intimidating angels as the ones that were in this dream dressed as "Special Op Forces." The intentional stance they took, I believe is a picture of when the Ekklesia is decreeing and declaring according to the word of the Lord moving us from a positional stance into a practical one, and in this intentional stance we cannot question or waver.
- will use every medium and tactic he can to cause distractions. We MUST stay focused on preserving this nation according to God's plan. We cannot diminish our focus on what is coming to America! There is a remnant, there is an army, there is an angel army, there is more movement in prayer right now than there has ever been in this nation!
- 3. We must stay rooted in the completed faith of His established covenants. Completed faith...when God speaks to you, faith comes to you and as you make the journey of faithful obedience to that word, you will come to faith. You move from believing to knowing. (Then you can go from declaring what you believe to decreeing what you know!)
- 4. God's plan is to amplify His voice by amplifying His people's voice and this will silence the thunder of the enemy... God's voice needs our voice in the earth!

As I mediated and processed this dream and prayed into it, I knew it went along with the dream God gave me the year before and that it was time for activation.

The Oregon Trail "Gathering of the Mavericks"

I had this dream in March 2022, and it began with my long-time friend, Dutch Sheets³, creating a thread on social media titled "Gathering the Mavericks." In the thread, Dutch requested those on the thread to meet him in Oregon City, Oregon (which happens to be the end of the Oregon trail). Dutch requested we arrive May 7th precisely. Upon arrival, he informed us that we were there to help gather and drive Maverick Steers back to Independence, Missouri (which happens to be the beginning of the Oregon trail). He instructed that the Mavericks must be brought to Independence, MO., in order to achieve independence.

Dutch then stated that as we found the watering holes where the Mavericks were gathered, he would assign some of us to stay at the watering hole to keep other Mavericks that would gather there from "muddying up the water holes in the future." He informed those there that they were also to be assigned certain horses on which they would make this journey.

The horse Dutch assigned to me was a horse I once had owned. This horse was a full Appaloosa named Judge. He had my King Brand Saddle on him. (I still own this saddle today) Dutch was to ride the prettiest Buckskin horse I have ever seen. When I remarked of the strength and beauty in this horse, Dutch informed us that this horse was a descendent of John Wayne's favorite horse "Sent" and its name was "Messenger".

I asked Dutch, "Where are the Mavericks?"

He replied, "We must find them along the way."

Dutch then informed us that it was highly strategic that we start the journey on May 7th.

The "Grub Wagon" was there, packed and ready. Ken Malone, of Forerunner Ministries in Florida⁴, pulled Dutch to the side, but was within earshot and said, "Isn't that Gordon Lindsay⁵ on the Grub wagon?" Dutch answered and said, "Yes, and he can still cook food with Heavenly nourishment and will bring healing along the way if needed."

Dutch began to inform those of us who had already gathered that we would be assigned and dropped off at various watering holes along the journey. Dutch did not assign one to me. I asked why and his answer was, "You know about cattle drives, and I need you to scout on the whole journey." (Oddly, I have never been on a cattle drive)

We headed out 7 minutes after 3 o'clock. At 3 minutes after 7, we arrived at the first watering hole to discover Mavericks

²The Josiah Company is a national prayer call for our nation that began in 2018. It was originally called Warring from His Promises Prayer Call and on this call trusted leaders from around the nation pray, decree and declare what God is telling them in the plan to restore our nation back to its covenant roots. See https://www.claynash.org/josiahcompany-875031.html

³https://dutchsheets.org/index.php/about/

⁴https://forerunner-ministries.org/about

⁵https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_Gordon_Lindsay

⁶https://www.kingdomallianceak.com/bio-s

there. Dutch assigned Mary Glazier and Eleanor Roehl⁶ of Alaska to be watchman that night over the Mavericks. (First Nation people) The process would repeat until we reached the 12th watering hole which was Independence, Missouri. (important to note that 12 is the biblical number for government)

As we dropped off leaders at watering holes we picked up others who were there waiting. When we arrived at Independence, MO., I stated, "We must have over 10,000 Mavericks." Dutch informed us that there were actually 12,000 Mavericks and one ox. We asked Dutch what we were to do with them, and Dutch informed us that they would be discipled to "go forth into the fields that are ripe unto harvest and disciple the nation." (John 4:35, Matthew 28:19) Someone else asked what about the ox? Dutch informed us the ox's name was "Sign & Wonder" and he would follow them in the discipling of the nation. Gordon Lindsay then informed Dutch that his assignment was up but others from the cloud of witnesses would be joining as needed.

End of Dream.

After carrying the "Gathering the Mavericks" dream in prayer, and having an encounter with Holy Spirit, I had direction. It was in September 2023 while I was in Sioux Falls, South Dakota that I received instruction from the Lord. But first, I want to share another dream.

In another recent dream the Justice Gate angel appeared to me (He has appeared to me many times and identified himself by this name) and said that "in the past, as people who loved God traveled this harsh and trying trail, they made petitions, declarations and decrees. He said there were prophetic utterances made and innocent blood shed. The Justice Gate Angel then stated that many of the prayers and the prophetic words would now be refreshed and activated."

Then I received a word from a trusted friend that all along the Oregon Trail there were angels on reserve and that this campaign would launch them into active service for our nation. He said, "the unbranded ones" (Mavericks) will find their companies and become "burning ones" for God's Glory. Those who have refused to be branded by religion of man will receive a fresh commissioning of purpose and destiny. Their journey to Independence will activate them at a greater level of authority, releasing the roar of God into their spheres of influence. These refreshed and commissioned Mavericks will take their independence forth to affect the nation with signs and wonders following them. Their obedience will leaven with a righteous leaven, new companies of overcomers activated from their completed faith to become an everpresent weapon of warfare against injustice, releasing righteousness and empowering grace.

After conferring with Dutch, we have decided that this is a dream with instruction, and we will be carrying it out. He actually did a "Give Him 15" on the subject. ⁷

We believe the Lord has stated the reason for all of this is that each of these gathering places will function as legislative assemblies of the Ekklesia⁸.

Petitions, prayers, declarations and decrees will be made by those that assemble. Appeals to Heaven will be our cry, and decrees from Heaven into the earth will be our focus. The Justice Gate angel has instructed us to declare what believe, but to decree what we know! Job 22:28 tells us that we shall decree a thing and it shall be established. We intend to be led by Holy Spirit at each stop and along the way to decree what is on the heart and mind of God for our nation! The journey of the Mavericks to Independence will activate them at a greater level of authority, releasing the roar of God into their spheres of influence. These refreshed and commissioned Mavericks will take their independence forth to affect the nation, with signs and wonders following them. Their obedience will leaven with a righteous leaven; new companies of overcomers will be activated from their completed faith to become an ever-present weapon of warfare against injustice, releasing righteousness and empowering grace.

Dutch weighs in with some interpretation: 9

- 1. It is obviously time for the rounding up of these Mavericks. We must bring them to "independence" from sin, leading them to Christ, yet do so without taming and branding them with religion. Pray for this to begin and increase; leaders must prepare.
- 2. Watering holes God will lead these Mavericks to "watering holes" He has prepared for them. These places of nourishment, training, and discipling must be protected from the "muddying" of religiosity, sin, man's agenda, unbiblical traditions and more.
- 3. A horse named Judge, a King Brand saddle, and a scout/prophet, Clay Nash Jesus, as our King, the Supreme Judge and Prophet, will be overseeing this roundup. He is the Lord of the harvest, and will lead us in finding the Mavericks and watering holes, and also in preparing and maintaining the watering holes.

⁶https://www.kingdomallianceak.com/bio-s

⁷https://www.givehim15.com/post/february-21-2024

⁸The term Ekklesia first began to be used in the 5th century BC by the Greek government. Those with final say in Greek government were called Ekklesia. An assembly of citizens summoned by the town crier to the legislative assembly at the city gate was an Ekklesia. The Ekklesia's sphere of competency included the following: 1. Decisions on suggested law and the final decision on any new law. 2. Appointments to official positions voted by upraised hands at the city gate, never secret ballots, never private, always public. 3. Internal and external policies, including contracts, treaties, war & peace, financial matters for the region were all decided by the Ekklesia. 4. The Ekklesia rules on cases of treason. 5. The Ekklesia summoned the army for war. 6. They ruled on societal and cultural matters. 7. They elected people to the Areopagus, the High Court of Greece. They were NOT the High Court but they elected the people who were. They investigated corruption but the conviction power remained with the Ekklesia.

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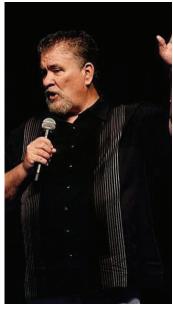
- 4. A horse named Sent and Messenger This is fairly obvious: we are being sent as messengers to find and lead these Mavericks to "independence." We are not called to judge or tame them, but to prepare them for their important assignment of discipling a nation.
- 5. Gordon Lindsay we must draw from the wisdom, insights, and movements of those gone before us, honoring and building on what they have accomplished. One of these movements was the healing and miracle movement of the 50s, 60s, and early 70s. Gordon Lindsay was one of the leaders of this movement, a great teacher and author. The magazine he published, The Voice of Healing, shared testimonies of the many miracles happening around the nation and nations. We must tap into this anointing of signs and wonders. And the dream told us more from the cloud of witnesses would be sent to us, meaning there are other truths and movements of the past we must build on.
- 6. The ox the name of the ox was Sign & Wonder; he would follow this generation as they discipled the nation, just as Mark 16:17 says will occur. Lindsay said, when leaving, that he had finished his assignment. That assignment was 1) feeding us: we must learn from the past generations, and 2) giving us the ox, a mantle of signs and wonders he and his generation restored to the church.
- 7. 12 watering holes and 12,000 mavericks 12 is an important number in Scripture. It represents governing authority, completion and perfection. There are several possible meanings to this in the dream. It would certainly mean that these mavericks walked under and in the complete authority of the Lord. The great commission in Matthew 28, which speaks of discipling the nation, references this authority (verse 18). The fact that these mavericks would disciple the nation could also indicate they would restore our government to its intended purpose and function. Personally, I believe it is both.

If you would like more information on this Gathering of the Mavericks along the Oregon Trail, visit_https://www.claynash.org/gatheringmavericks.html

City stops for the gatherings (aka watering holes) are: Oregon City, OR, Baker City, OR, Boise, ID, Soda Springs, ID, Casper, Wyoming, Kearney, NE, and Independence MO

¹https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oregon_Trail Clay Nash

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There are many variations of dreams and interpretations of dreams such as what I call Pizza Dreams, that is, dreams that are just simply recounting the day's events. These are Processing Dreams, both God inspired and your subconscious dealing with issues. There may also be the less common demonic dreams.

Prophetic dreams are the most significant. First, prophetic dreams are the ones that you remember. They usually have a congruent theme with easily identifiable elements and plot. Second, you may find yourself in your dreams as though you are hearing your innermost thoughts about circumstances. Third, reoccurring dreams, are either dreaming the same dream or one that restates the premise of the dream, or perhaps adding another layer of significance. Fourth, understand that if you encounter an Angel or Jesus in a dream, then you should really pay attention to what is happening and what is being said in the dream. Furthermore, be aware of verb tenses and any conditional statements such as "if you do this, then I will do that". Pay particular attention to timing since dreams are not constrained by a timetable. Having said this, I want to concentrate on dreams of guidance commonly called directional dreams. Some dreams are immediate warning dreams and others confirm the course of a new direction in your life.

Dreams of Warning

Some directional dreams or guidance dreams are very specific in regard to avoiding unpleasant or dangerous situations. In the Old Testament, we read in Genesis 20:3,6 about Abimelech's dream:

3But God came to Abimelech in a dream one night and said to him, "You are as good as dead because of the woman you have taken; she is a married woman...6Then God said to him in the dream, "Yes, I know you did this with a clear conscience, and so I have kept you from sinning against me."

In this case, God is concerned about a non-covenant individual (King Abimelech) and also wants to cover Abraham so that he would not be guilty or complicit in the death of King Abimelech.

In the New Testament Pilate's wife warns her husband to have nothing to do with Jesus in his condemnation. Pilate's wife's dream is found in Matthew 27:19.

While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him."

"Prophetic dreams are the most significant. First, prophetic dreams are the ones that you remember."

In Matthew 2:1-12, we read:

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem 2 and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him. 3 When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. 5 "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied...7 Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. 8 He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." 9 After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was...12And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

In this case, God warns non-Jews (although they do not actually know the source of the dream) not to return to Herod because he wants to kill Jesus. This reflects the actions of Pharaoh who sought to kill Moses is confirmed by the fact that Herod had all the male children killed that were under the age of 2. In anticipation of what Herod was going to do, Joseph was warned in a dream. In Matthew 2:13-21 we read:

13When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him."...19After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt 20 and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child's life are dead." 21So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel.

Both of these warning dreams are instructional in the sense that if they had not been heeded, then Jesus, probably along with Joseph and Mary, would have been killed. We then would not have the chance of salvation through our savior.

The next two dreams are different in that one appears to be a trance and the other appears to be a night vision. In regard to the first one, God provides direction to Peter to make him willing to go to Cornelius's house. We read in Acts 10:10-20 that Peter falls into a trance-like vision:

10He became hungry and wanted something to eat, and while the meal was being prepared, he fell into a trance. 11He saw heaven opened and something like a large sheet being let down to earth by its four corners. 12It contained all kinds of four-footed animals, as well as reptiles of the earth and birds of the air. 13Then a voice told him, "Get up, Peter. Kill and eat." 14"Surely not, Lord!" Peter replied. "I have never eaten anything impure or unclean." 15The voice spoke to him a second time, "Do not call anything impure that God has made clean." 16This happened three times, and immediately the sheet was taken back to heaven. 17While Peter was wondering about the meaning of the vision, the men sent by Cornelius found out where Simon's house was and stopped at the gate. 18They called out, asking if Simon who was known as Peter was staying there. 19While Peter was still thinking about the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Simon, three men are looking for you. 20So get up and go downstairs. Do not hesitate to go with them, for I have sent them."

In Acts 16:9-10, Paul had a night vision of a Macedonian man. Luke states,

"9During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." 10After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them."

This night vision changed the direction that Paul intended to go on his missionary journey.

Personal Dreams: A Warning Dream

In the early part of 1989, Palmcrest Baptist Church underwent some significant resistance against the things of the Spirit. Having forbade the speaking of tongues in church, the presence of the Holy Spirit no longer visited our services and we entered a season of spiritual drought and friction between various individuals. At some point, I entertained the notion that maybe there was a better situation for my family to worship with a church that was more receptive to the Holy Spirit. I received a call from a church in Virginia Beach that was interested in me coming to their church for an interview to be their pastor. The church was a \$1,000,000 facility that was completely paid for and had a Christian School associated with it. The assumption was that the salary would be considerably more, along with the responsibilities given the fact that the pastor was also the head of school. For some reason I had a check in my spirit and could not give them an immediate answer but asked for more time to consider their offer.

That evening my wife Kathy had a dream that had to do with the decision I was going to have to make. It was a confirming dream in that I already received a check in my spirit. The dream is as follows: Kathy saw me leave a small vessel that was swift and was able to make turns easily. She saw that I was removed from that vessel and the people were sad, but the boat was able to continue on its way. She saw me placed in the wheelhouse of what appeared to be an ocean liner. I was at the steering helm with two people on either side of me talking in my ear, apparently giving me directions. She noticed that I had an unhappy look on my face as if I were stressed. She saw that the ocean liner wasn't moving very quickly, nor did it have a good turning radius, i.e., it took time for the vessel to turn or make a change in course.

The thing that stuck out most to me was that I appeared to be unhappy and in a place that would not easily change course or direction. That suggested to me that the Holy Spirit would be given less freedom to move. I spoke to the pastoral committee and told them that I had not received an OK from the Lord to accept their invitation. They tried to convince me to come out anyway; apparently to get me to change my mind. I told them that this was not advisable because the Lord told me that I couldn't accept their invitation to become their pastor. It would be a waste of their time and put stress on my current congregation. The chairman of the committee asked me if that was my final answer; I said it was.

Since I turned down their invitation, they told me the back-story regarding the need to hire a new pastor. They said the founder of the church retired and had become pastor emeritus of the church; he had been there for over 30 years. Furthermore, he intended to continue to attend the church. Additionally, the worship leader was his son. I realized that the two people that were talking in my ear were the pastor and his son, and that they would seek to continue to control events that were taking place in the church regarding philosophy and other matters. Although the pastor was charismatic, judging by the

dream, he would be controlling, and it would be difficult to lead the congregation in the way that the Holy Spirit would lead me to go. Later that year, while attending a Fullness Conference at Bethesda church in Fort Worth TX, Kathy was injured in a horseback riding accident. The effects were devastating and occurred at a time when Palmcrest Baptist Church was in transition from Baptist to non-denominational.

There were times I reflected on the decision I made thinking that if I had taken the pastorate, Kathy may not have been injured, nor would I be in a fight for the spiritual destiny of the church I was currently pastoring. However, I realized I had heard God and Kathy had a dream confirming the reason I did not accept the church's offer.

Many years later after having left Corpus Christi, TX to attend Texas Christian University PhD program, I was given the opportunity to go to Washington DC to present a paper for a professional English conference. I decided it would be a family vacation and we ended up going through Virginia Beach. I decided that on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day we would attend the church I turned down. It was a very nice large facility. When we went into the auditorium, it was large but only had about 25 or 30 people in attendance. After the service was over, I spoke with a man who welcomed us as visitors. He turned out to be the chairman of the pulpit committee and I told him who I was and that I was interested in what happened. He told me that the pastor that they had chosen was a real dynamo in the Holy Spirit with a gift of evangelism. He had established a satellite church (wisely) because they began to oppose him in regard to some issues of the Holy Spirit (he was preaching at both congregations). With no desire to fight them over the building he left the building with them, but most of the people went to the satellite church. Once again, this sad tale punctuates why becoming their pastor would have been a bad idea.

Directional Dream About Merging, My Church and Another Directional Dream

Prior to God telling me to merge my church, The Lamb's Fold, with another larger church, I had had a dream that at the time I did not fully understand. I dreamed I was in a large auditorium on a theater stage. I was at a wooden sound board that looked like it needed to be upgraded. This pastor came onto the stage, and it seemed like he was in charge, even though at the time I thought I was in my church. There was a group of ladies who were tambourine dancers, dressed in white (later the church would have this worship team). He asked me to go to the wings and check on the power supply to the stage. While I was off in the wings, I looked center stage and I saw the pastor performing a ballet pirouette. As he turned, the people applauded.

The dream was significant of my time there at the

church as an associate pastor in that there was poor communication between the staff, the elders, and the finance committee (the wooden mixer). Additionally, there was too much emphasis on performance in regard to the worship team (the stage), and the pastor demonstrated a people pleasing spirit, trying to be sure that everyone was happy. As I was looking from the wing, I realized that I would be a part of the church, but my influence would be somewhat reduced.

Directional Dream about Going into Teaching

Toward the end of my time of serving this church as an associate pastor, we were encouraged to avail ourselves to other opportunities to make money because the church was going through some financial difficulties. During a ride on Corpus Christi's North Padre Island, I asked the pastor if he was going to downsize the staff. He nervously gave a little laugh. Therefore, to make it easier for him, I told him that he could not get rid of the worship leader nor his close friend because they had been together from the beginning. As the new hire, it seemed logical that I would be the one he would downsize. He encouraged me to take classes at Texas A&M Corpus Christi. I graduated from there in 1995. It was during that period I had a dream. I was sitting in the church auditorium where people were given tickets to attend a church luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone was given a blue ticket except me. I was given a pink ticket. As people were leaving to go into the Fellowship Hall (the Fellowship Hall was a separate building), an usher directed me to go to a separate building that was somehow taller. I went into the building and noticed that there were no steps on the staircase. Two angels unrolled the steps as I began to walk up them to the 8th floor. On the 8th floor there was an office that was the professional counseling department for graduates who are seeking a teaching job. The dream ended with me standing at the door of this office. For me the interpretation was simple. I was going to be fired or laid off (pink slip) and no longer a part of the fellowship (meal in the Fellowship Hall). The 8th floor office not only represents new beginnings and was also associated with the fact that I was going to end up being a teacher at a college, confirming my enrollment into the PhD program at TCU. What was interesting was that I was not going to be given the plan in advance, but it would unfold as God led me (no steps until it was time to walk up them). All of these things came to pass and prepared me for what lay ahead. I was no longer a pastor but a teacher.

Directional Dream: Moving to Kansas City

At the end of my Ph.D. classes, I was working on my dissertation, seeking guidance from the Lord, no longer being paid to teach classes. I had a dream about joining Mike Bickle's ministry school. I dreamed I pulled up into the parking lot in front of a modular building and the receptionist came out and handed me application

forms having to do with being a teacher or a pastor. As I was about to fill them out Mike Bickle walked up to me and said, "You can fill those papers out later". He said, "Let me show you the school". When I walked in, I saw that the word "Doctor" was on the door of the office, but in the classroom, I saw elementary school children. I remember thinking I don't teach at that level. As I was thinking this, he said, "The job doesn't pay much but you will grow in the knowledge of the Lord." I remember thinking, I kind of know the Lord but a living wage would be nice. The dream ends. I visited Kansas City and spoke with the director of the school who confirmed the pay wasn't very much but invited me to be on staff. It was the second year of the school. I taught there a year and a half before I started a church plant (teacher and pastor application). God used the dream to get me to Kansas City through the only reason why I would have gone. I call it God's direction through mis-direction. Every major decision I have made in life that affected my family was accompanied by a dream.



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There are so many different ways that God speaks to us today. Yes, He does still speak to us. He has given us His Spirit to help us, lead us, guide us and teach us about God.

John 16:13-14 (NKJV) "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."

John 14:26 (NKJV) "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to remembrance all things that I said to you."

He Is Still Speaking

God knows how...He knows how through His Spirit. He knows what to say and how it will get my attention. He knows how to speak to YOU! Yes, God is still speaking today. He speaks through dreams, visions, tastes, smells and so many ways. Holy Spirit knows how to speak your language. He wants to show us, speak to us and reveal to us His heart for you and for others. Oh, sons and daughters of God, He is still speaking. Holy Spirit will use your five senses to speak to you. I have visions, dreams and I feel things from Holy Spirit. Many times for me, God speaks to me through smells. He has awakened me with smells.

He woke me up one morning to the smell of coffee. It can tell you that no one in my house was making coffee. It was a smell He was giving Me. He began to speak to me that He was WAKING us up, and it was time for us to "WAKE UP".

I have had so many smells given to me by God through His Holy Spirit. He would then speak to me using these smells. Pay attention. If you smell something and that smell is not anywhere around you, know that God is speaking. I have smelled lemon, frankincense, peaches and cream, peppermint and so many other smells. Through each of them God has spoken.

He also speaks through sounds and visions. One day I could hear popcorn popping and no one was popping popcorn. Through that God spoke to me because He knows I love popcorn. He got my attention in this way.

He Speaks Through Smells and Sounds

Let me share one story of when God spoke to me using smells and hearing sounds.

I was sitting with the Lord one day, and I began to smell bubblegum. I could hear someone chewing gum, blowing bubbles and then popping bubbles. The Lord began to speak to me through this. The smell of bubble gum generally means: childlike. Chewing can mean: meditating or thinking about. Bubbles can mean: speaks of an episode in one's life or time period, Spirit being, life (the Spirit bubbling up). Through all of this, God spoke.

He said, "Come to Me as a child, with childlike faith. I will do it. Don't question My willingness. I will do it. You have been thinking about My promises and My will for you. My promises are 'YES AND AMEN!' The season you have been in is over. THE episode of your life you have been living is over. You are stepping into a new time period. Step with Me, let's enter the new time period. I AM popping you out of your old/past season and into your new time and season. This will not happen slowly, but quickly. Put reasoning away. Put doubt out. Put distractions away. Throw fear out the door. I have more in 2024 for you. You have to take off the old and step out of it and put on and step into the new. Leave 2023 behind and step into 2024. The door is open for you, will you step through?", says the Lord.

All of this came through the smell of bubblegum and the sound of someone chewing it and blowing bubbles. He has used some of my five senses to get my attention and speak. He will use yours as well. Pay attention to what He is saying or showing you. These things don't happen by accident.

Another time I was awakened by God to the smell and sound of fireworks. There were not any fireworks going off in the natural. This was all happening in the spiritual. Fireworks usually means celebration. He began to speak to me through this and said, "It is time to CELEBRATE. Let's celebrate your victory together. Let's celebrate the truth that you are already in victory. Victory is yours and you will see it manifest. CELEBRATE the victory as if you already have it, because you do. I have already given it to you. Your victory is inevitable, I have already given it to you. It is time you leave 2023 victorious. Forget what was behind and move forward into your victory. The delay is over. Resistance is broken. Step into the position of victory in which I have already placed you. Use your authority. Don't lie down. ARISE in VICTORY, it is yours."

As you can see, God uses smells and sounds to speak to us. He uses so many things to speak to us. The question is...are we listening? I have learned that not only does He speak through dreams and visions, but through our five senses. Please, don't limit God and put Him in a box. Let Him communicate with you the way He chooses because He knows how to speak to you.

He Speaks Through Dreams

Just last weekend I had a dream, and I knew it was from God, and I also knew it was prophetic. I did not receive the revelation at the time of the dream, but when I needed the revelation and meaning He gave it to me. Let me explain.

In the dream I was in a hair salon and I was the one who was going to give the haircut. I do not know how to cut hair, so I just asked my husband. In the dream, I was looking for the right scissors and the right tools to cut this woman's hair who had come in. I did not know this woman, but I knew she was influential. She had her

hair in a ponytail. The ponytail didn't look long, so with that, I thought her hair wasn't very long. I couldn't find the right tools to cut her hair with so I walked over to her with nothing to cut her hair. When I got to her she pulled her hair out of the ponytail and her hair was so long it hit the floor. Quickly, I had the right tool in my hand to cut her hair. I then woke up. Later that day, we went to a church dedication and worship service in their new sanctuary. During worship the Lord gave me the revelation and a prophetic word for the church and the body.

The revelation and meaning of the dream was this: I couldn't find the tools I needed to do what needed to be done. I couldn't find them anywhere. The second I went ahead and went to the woman to cut her hair the tools were in my hand. And when I got near, as she pulled her hair out of that ponytail, what appeared to be hair that wasn't very long hit the floor. God spoke and said, "When you need the tools to do what I have for you to do and what I instruct you to do, they will be there for you. You will not have to look for them; they will be there. I will equip you to do what I have for you to do. And what you think it will look like is small in comparison to what I will do and what I have planned. It is so much MORE!!!! So, know that what you need will be there, you won't have to look for it. Also, there is more than you think (the short ponytail turning into hair that hit the floor). Trust Me and move with Me. It isn't based on your qualifications or what you can do. I am qualifying you and equipping you," says the Lord.

I Corinthians 2: 12-16 (NKJV) "Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we may know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. For "who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ."

Hebrews 13:21 (NLT) "may he equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, and every good thing that is pleasing to him. All glory to him forever and ever! Amen."

Job 33:14 (NLT) "For God speaks again and again, though people do not recognize it. He speaks in dreams, in visions of the night, when deep sleep falls upon people as they lie in their beds."

He Speaks Through Visions

I have had different types of visions from the Lord. Visions of just pictures, visions of things that are happening in the future and open visions. I have had many visions that were as if I was watching a movie. I would like to give an example of this.

Nine years ago, when one of my grandsons was being born, there was a small complication, so my pastor's wife and I went to the hospital chapel to pray. As I was praying for my grandson, Holy Spirit showed me a vision/movie of my grandson's life. I saw his life from birth to adulthood and saw the plans of God for his life. At that moment I knew God was saying, "He is going to be alright and here is My plan for his life." Of course, he was born healthy and whole. Since then, I have had several visions/movies of some of my other grandchildren and what God has for their lives. There are many types of visions that God uses to speak to us and show us things. He will open your eyes to see what He is showing you. Please, never limit God on how He wants to speak to you. He will do a new thing.

Isaiah 43:18-19 (NLT) "But forget all that—it is nothing compared to what I am going to do. For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness, I will create rivers in the dry land."

He loves to speak to you and show you things. And He knows how to speak to you. For myself, I say, "He knows how to speak, Jennifer." I have opened myself up for Him to speak to me however He chooses. No, I'm not crazy. He speaks to me through visions, dreams, smells, feeling, taste and through hearing. I love when He shows me things in different ways.

Rip the lid off of the box and take God out. Oh, He is creative and wonderful.

He is your Daddy God and He wants to speak to you. He even wants to share secret things with you. Take the time to yield to Him and give Him your time. God loves to talk to you and share His heart with you. He loves to show you things. Believe Him to show you things and be open to however He wants to show you and speak to you. I love when God wakes me with smells and tastes and then gives me the revelation of those things.

If you have a dream and believe it is from God, take the time to let him speak to you concerning the dream and allow Him to give you revelation. Never disregard dreams. God speaks so many times to us through dreams. Some of the dreams I have had have been crazy to my natural mind. But, when I go to God and allow Him to give me revelation, it always makes sense. Pay attention to your dreams and speak to God about them and then let Him speak to you. So many believe that God doesn't speak anymore. Nothing could be further from the truth.

I personally believe He speaks more than we hear. Many times we are too busy to listen, or we disregard dreams or maybe even don't pay attention to a vision or thought that is from Him. God does still speak, and He does so in many forms and ways.

Never dismiss a random thought, a picture, a dream or a vision. More than likely it is from God. Also, take the time to seek Him, talk to Him about it and listen to what He has to say.

Acts 2:17-18 (NKJV) "And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams. And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; and they shall prophesy."

I hear the Lord saying as I write this article, "Pay attention! Pay attention to what you see, hear, smell, dream and yes, even taste. I am pouring out My Spirit on ALL flesh. I am speaking to young and old. Age does not matter. I will speak. I am doing a new thing, will you perceive it? I will show you in dreams and visions secret things as well as what I want proclaimed from the rooftops. My people have stayed silent long enough. I am awakening your senses. I am awakening you. Don't always do all the talking when you are alone with Me. Be still and know that I am God. Be still and listen. I say to you, shut out all distractions, go into your secret place and listen. Keep a notepad by your bed so when you awaken from a dream you can write it down. Keep a notepad close so when you have a vision you can write it down. Seek Me, you will receive revelation. You will receive from Me what I want to say to you through these things. Unusual will be the normal. Be comfortable in the uncomfortable. For I am awakening you. I have much to say to you and show you. I AM pouring out My Spirit on you and on ALL flesh. Be ready to receive, to listen and to speak," says the Lord.

We are entering a new season of our lives with the Lord. Those who think they have never heard God speak will see that they have been wrong. Those who have had dreams and visions will see more and more. Don't shy away from spiritual smells or tastes. This is real!!! God does do this. He does this with me regularly.

Hearing God, tuning into Him and flowing with Him grows as we submit to Him, listen and do what He says. It is like going to the gym. The more you lift weights and use your muscles the stronger you get and the bigger your muscles get. The same is true with your 'spiritual' muscles. The more you use them the stronger they get. The more you allow God to use you in spiritual gifts the stronger they will get. The more you believe God is speaking and you listen, the more you will hear. Your sensitivity to His voice and His ways will grow.

You and I were created to fellowship with God. He wants to speak to you. He wants to give you dreams and visions. But, He isn't limited to just dreams and visions. As you read in some of my experiences He uses smells, taste, feelings and all of our senses to speak. I will be honest; I love the way He has chosen to speak to me. Through the visions, dreams, smells, taste and more, I have truly seen what a creative God we have. He has taught me that He can and will speak to me in so many different ways. I try to be attentive at all times. I ask God at night before I go to sleep for dreams and visions from Him. I want to know His heart and I want to hear everything He wants to say to me however He chooses to say it.

Visions and dreams are for today. God still speaks. He is creative, fun and adventurous. He loves to speak to us in MANY ways. Make yourself available to Him to just listen. Oh, sons and daughters of God, He has much to say to you and show you. Don't limit Him. Let Him speak. Let Him use your imagination to speak, yes He does this too. Remember, He is creative. He is doing a new thing. He is pouring out His Spirit on all flesh. Let Him pour on you. Be an open vessel. Dream, see, hear, smell, taste and be open to whatever way He chooses. Receive His outpouring now.



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DREAMS, VISIONS AND THE EXTRAORDINARY

THINGS OF GOD

by Pam Jackson

According to the Oxford Dictionary the word dream is defined as - a series of thoughts, images, and sensations occurring in a person's mind during sleep.

We have all experienced dreams that have awakened us from a sound sleep. Most of the time we experience an emotion with that dream, we wake up sad, happy, excited and sometimes even fearful. Immediately, we want to know what did that dream mean.

When I was a child, one of my aunts would tell me "a dream means your soul left your body while you were asleep, and was doing the things in the dream!" At first that freaked me out but as a kid you believe what adults tell you. Now as a believer I know that's not true, and I always want the spiritual side to a dream if there is one.

For me, most dreams I have mean nothing. Many times, I don't even remember dreams I've had. When I have a dream that is from the Lord, I may not remember it when I first wake up. How I know it's from the Lord is when I get in the shower I will immediately remember the dream, and most of the time, the Lord will give me the meaning of the dream. I've had people tell me that they will dream something, and the Lord will wake them up and have them write it down. I personally have never had it happen that way. That's the neat thing about our Daddy God, He does things differently for everyone. He knows how to get our attention.

When I have been praying for someone, especially for healing, many times I will dream about them. We have a man in our church that needed healing in one of his eyes. As a church we were standing and believing for his eye to be healed. I had a dream one night that we were out fishing, and all of a sudden, he hooked what looked like a huge Marlin, and he was fighting like crazy to get it to shore. When he finally reeled it in, it's not a Marlin but an Angelfish. When I got up the next morning and got in the shower I knew it had to do with his eye, and I also knew that getting the fish to shore represented that his battle was almost over. I did look up what Angelfish represents spiritually and one of the interpretations is healing. God is in the details. Dreams from God can give us hope, shift our focus and many times change our lives.

Acts 2:17 (TPT) 'This is what I will do in the last days—I will pour out my Spirit on everybody and cause your sons and daughters to prophesy, and your young men will see visions, and your old men will experience dreams from God.'

Visions from God usually happen when you are awake. Many times, they will happen during a time of intercession or worship. I can remember the first vision I ever had. I was probably around 9 or 10 and I had wrecked my bike. I was hurt pretty badly, and I had to stay in bed. While I was laying there, I looked over at the wall, and I saw what looked like fire flickering on the wall. At first I thought the wall must be on fire, but I didn't see or smell smoke. As I watched the fire, it began

to move in a spiral motion, until it looked like a tunnel of fire, with a light at the end of it. I knew absolutely nothing about God but I knew I had heard adults around me say things like "They will burn in hell for doing such and such" So my interpretation of that as a kid was this must be what hell looks like, so I closed my eyes and didn't look over there again. Looking back now, I probably had a head injury and it was an effect of that...hahaha.

Visions are talked about throughout the Bible. A few years ago, one of the Elders of our church transitioned to Heaven. I remember the first service after his passing, our worship team was playing one of his favorite worship songs. I was standing at the front of the church worshipping, and all of a sudden I heard the Lord say "Look Up" when I looked up, I saw the illumination of gold and a bright white color. The colors were so vibrant that I almost had to close my eyes to look at it. Then I saw Mr. Bill, our elder, looking down from Heaven and he had the biggest smile on his face. As I kept looking I could see others with him, even though I didn't recognize their faces, I knew in my spirit they were those that had gone before. A host of witnesses were looking down from Heaven, they were celebrating with us that morning. Then as quickly as it came, it was gone, and I couldn't wait to share with everyone what the Lord had just allowed me to witness.

I could go on and on about the various visions I've had. Most recently while our Pastors were ministering in the Philippines, there was a ministering group, Declaration Ministries, that ministered on a Sunday. While we were worshipping, I saw this bright purple crystal, it was the most beautiful purple crystal I had ever seen. I am an avid rock collector, so I've seen lots of purple crystals. Then I saw an egg shaped rock which I knew immediately was a geode (a geode is usually an oval-shaped rock that when cracked open, contains crystals). As the group was ministering, I saw the frequency of the sound break open the geode and again the purple crystals were so radiant! As I was looking at the geode, all of sudden it felt like I was shot forward, I went through a portal. I heard the Lord say we went to another level, another portal, another dimension, something had shifted in the spiritual. Visions shift things! I believe the Lord showed me the inside of the geode first to get my attention. The breaking of the geode represented how our worship pushes us into another level, like breaking a barrier.

JESUS is extraordinary. He will do whatever he needs to do to get our attention. Webster's Dictionary defines extraordinary as 1) Very unusual, remarkable, or surprising. 2) Not in an established manner, course, or order.

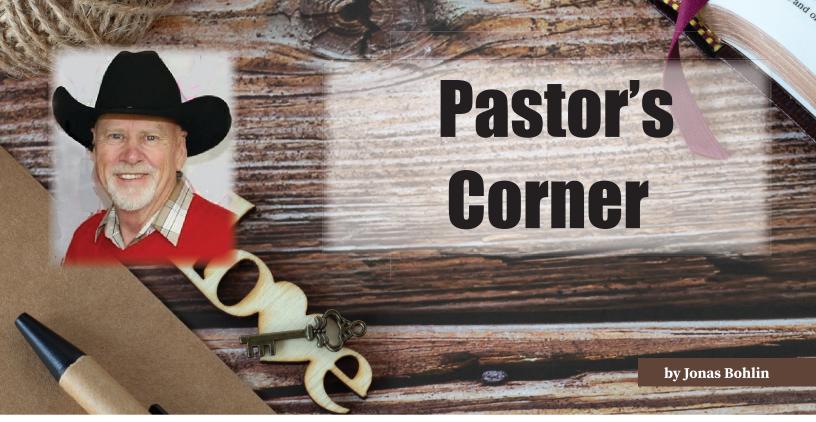
Doesn't that sound like God? He showed up as a burning bush to Moses. The Bible is full of ordinary to extraordinary stories of God. When He shows up, things shift and change. Lazarus had been dead four days, he had been put in the tomb. Then Jesus shows up, and called his name and that shifted Lazarus from death to life!!!

When we begin to allow God to move how He desires, whether it's through a dream, a vision or a song, we will see the ordinary become extraordinary. We have within us the same power that raised Lazarus from death to life. As a believer, we serve a God who takes ordinary people and changes them to the extraordinary. We have been grafted into Jesus. He is in us. You have the ability to shift and change the very atmosphere around you. So, I challenge you today ask the Father to take you from the ordinary to extraordinary. I promise you; HE will do it.

1 Corinthians 1:27 (TPT) "But God chose those whom the world considers foolish to shame those who think they are wise, and God chose the puny and powerless to shame the high and mighty."



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As a pastor, there are some particularly vital facts that I want those in my congregation to know. Their future depends on the truths that are described to us in the Word of God. These truths not only determine their future, but also the future of those who follow behind them and the future of those around them.

You will notice that I did not refer to our past, because as believers our failures in the past have been gloriously removed by the powerful blood of our Savior, Jesus. Jesus' blood was and still is powerful enough to eradicate all sin, past, present and future. You see, the way that can happen is that God is not affected by time. He sees the whole show with no difference from the beginning to the end. He IS the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end!

So, just what is it that a pastor who loves his flock wants to convey to a gathering of believers hungry for the truths of the Word of God?

I believe that it is of utmost importance that those who gather know the personality of God, who they are, and the power that is theirs. If not, the ekklesia, the gathering of believers, will become a social club. Do we gather to strengthen and encourage one another, or do we gather to satisfy some legalistic requirement that society has placed upon us?

What is God's personality? There is no comparison to who God is with anything or with anyone. He is unique, one of a kind. When He describes Himself in Exodus 3:14 He says...

Exodus 3:14 (NASB1995) "God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you."

The overwhelming personality trait of God is that He is love and He loves His creation. In 1 John 4, the writer states...

1 John 4:8-9 (NASB1995) "The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love. By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him."

Just who are we in Christ? Do you ever ponder that question? Allow me to say that if we have considered that deeply, the conclusion to which we arrive depends heavily on our understanding of who God is and the provision made to us by the birth, life, death, burial and resurrection of Christ.

The penalty for sin has always been death. After the fall of man and before the New Covenant, the blood of animals paid that price. That blood could never remove sin...only cover it. God sees the beginning from the end, so the faith that our "heroes of faith" demonstrated was counted as righteousness to them.

Hebrews 9:18-22 (NASB1995) "Therefore even the first covenant was not inaugurated without blood. For when every commandment had been spoken by Moses to all the people according to the Law, he took the blood of the calves and the goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, 'THIS IS THE BLOOD OF THE COVENANT WHICH GOD COMMANDED YOU.' And in the same way he sprinkled both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry with the blood. And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed

with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness."

Hebrews 11:39-40 (NASB1995) "And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised, because God had provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made perfect."

So, I ask again...just who are we in Christ? As I ponder this question, one scripture comes to my mind repeatedly. We have become the righteousness of God through our relationship with Jesus. Through Jesus is the only way that could happen!

2 Corinthians 5:21 (AMP) "He made Christ who knew no sin to [judicially] be sin on our behalf, so that in Him we would become the righteousness of God [that is, we would be made acceptable to Him and placed in a right relationship with Him by His gracious lovingkindness]."

I have discovered that one of the most challenging functions of a pastor is to help people understand their identity in Christ. The enemy seems to work overtime to blind Christians to who we are and what that means. It really is a simple thing to believe but a very difficult one to experience. God wants us to know that He loves us and nothing can change that. He loved us even before we knew Him!

Romans 5:8 (NASB1995) "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Therefore, what I am saying is that we are the apple of God's eye. God knew that we would sin. He knew we would rebel against His Word. In His wisdom and love, God predetermined a plan so that we could receive His gift for us, His salvation. From the beginning God planned for the Son of God to come into the earth, to be born of a virgin, to provide the perfect sacrifice. He was and is willing to do anything to have a relationship with us. He loves us that much, so much, in fact, that knowing we would disobey Him, He had a plan in place to redeem us, even from the foundation of the world.

Revelation 13:8 (KJV) "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

Hebrews 10:10 (NASB1995) "By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

As an old coach, simply knowing the skills involved in a game did not mean one could play the game by just the knowledge of those skills. There had to be knowledge and the application of skills. In our endeavors as children of God, it is not enough to "just" have the Word of God in

our mind. God wants us to not only know what His Word says, but also implement that knowledge through faith in order to accomplish all that He intends.

God has chosen us, His children, to hear Him and speak what He says. There really should be no difference in us whether we are in church, at work or at play. Jesus said that the Father has given Him all authority and that Jesus left us with that authority.

Matthew 28:18 (NASB1995) "And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."

Luke 10:19 (NASB1995) "Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you."

How do we implement what we know and see it manifest in our everyday life and even do more than Jesus? God has given us the measure of faith with which to see sign, wonders and miracles manifest. Just knowing that miracles can happen or they might happen is not what God intended. He loved us, made us the righteousness of God through Jesus, paid the price for all our sin, and gave us authority. He wants us to be successful and victorious in everything we do. He tells us that we can do anything and that we can ask for anything in His name and it will be done.

John 14:12-14 (NASB1995) "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater works than these he will do; because I go to the Father. Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it."

So in short, who are we? We are God's favorite, we are freed from sin, we have authority and we can ask our Daddy for anything and His answer is, "Yes!"



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Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for reading our latest issue of FULLNESS MAGAZINE ONLINE, MAY/JUNE issue – "DREAMS and VISIONS".

A few months ago, back at the end of November of 2023, I was asked the question regarding the war between Israel and Hamas and when and if I saw that it would end or at least cease for a time being. Nearly immediately, I heard the word PASSOVER.

So, I answered the question with these words, "I believe that Israel will be victorious in its fight against Hamas and a cease fire will come by Passover of this next year". (2024) At the time I said it, my next thought was this, why did I say this? I now believe it was HOLY SPIRIT who put those words in my mouth AND GOD always watches over HIS WORD to perform it.

A few weeks ago, as I was praying what to write in this column, I heard the word PASSOVER. So now as you read this column today, you will see that I was obedient to the Lord's direction to write a column on Passover.

I want to begin to say that this column will NOT be an extensive "teaching" on Passover. The motive here is to get you as the reader to begin, if you have not already done so, to think in terms of appointed times the Lord gives and how important Passover is to the Christian believer.

I would say most Christians today, know nothing about Passover. They think it is for the Jewish or Hebrew people. They think of the TEN COMMANDMENTS and Moses or Cecil B. DeMille (you probably must be a certain age to understand Cecile B. DeMille) Let's move on (no pun intended). If you know nothing about Passover, I would like to recommend a book by Dr. Robert Heidler called THE MESSIANIC CHURCH! RESTORING THE CHURCH TO OUR COVENANT ROOTS.

For many, there is a vast difference between the Old and New Testaments. But we should look at the Bible as a continuation of Part One on to Part Two. Both are vital to our well-being as children of God.

In addition to the Sabbath Day, there are Three Feasts or Festivals commanded by God to be celebrated and set apart to interact with God. These holy convocations have a place in our lives today as Christians, and they all have been fulfilled in Christ, so as Christians, we are exempt from legalistic rituals, but we are free to celebrate the feasts and probably should to some extent in order to gain more revelation to the ways of God and draw even closer to Him in fellowship.

My emphasis today and in this article is that you would grasp the basic understanding that God has a plan for you as His children. As you study the plan He had for the children of Israel, you will see a pattern for how God works with us and in us to bring us along the journey of life and especially in our spiritual life. The feasts were celebrations of harvest and God wants to bring a harvest in your life and mine.

For just a few minutes here, let us look at the Feast of Passover, which occurs in the first month (called Nisan, pronounced like the car) of the Hebrew calendar. This occurs in April of the Gregorian calendar. If you have ever seen the movie, THE TEN COMMANDMENTS, you will get an idea of Passover. The Hebrew people started out from one man named Abraham, then his son Isaac and then his son, Jacob, whose name was changed to Israel, then Joseph, who was betrayed by his brothers and sold into bondage in Egypt until the right time. God promoted him to rule the nation of Egypt under Pharoah.

This group of people who started out as family with Joseph, the son of Jacob, over a four-hundred-year period, found themselves as slaves to the Egyptians. The bondage of the people of Israel, at the end of these four hundred years, continued to get worse and worse. God heard the cries of His people and brought them a deliverer by the name of Moses.

Before I go any further, let me tell you this right now. If you have been born again and have a father/son relationship today, it is because you have a relationship with Jesus Christ, who was sent to deliver you out of the bondage of sin like Moses did his people. You have entered in a time of Passover according to 1 Corinthians 5. Christ Jesus is not only our deliverer from bondage, but He is our Passover lamb that was sacrificed and it was His blood applied to the doorposts of our lives, that caused death to "Passover" us. You have been redeemed not with the blood of sheep or bulls but of the precious blood of

the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ. (Read Exodus 12 to get a full picture of what was to be prepared for the feast of Passover).

Just as God's people at the first Passover, saw the miracle-working power of God, you and I are to see the hand of God move on our behalf. God will do whatever miracle it takes to get you free from bondages that hold you down and the grip of Pharaoh (representing Satan). The enemy does not want you free. He wants you to live in misery and under the control of a cruel taskmaster.

There is so much to celebrate in this Passover feast. First, to be free from sin, we must realize that it is the shed blood of the lamb that causes death to pass over us. It is not because we have been good, or we have held up some certain behavior in our lives. Our freedom comes as a gift from God.

We can also celebrate this gift and feast every year by putting our sin (leaven) out of our lives (our houses). Jesus is the unleavened bread (because He had no sin) from which we eat. The bread was to be eaten haste and the children of God were to eat it with their shoes on and their staffs in their hands because they were making a quick trip. They had to be ready to travel.

Most of you know how the first Passover goes. God through Moses gets the people out of Egypt, and then to the Red Sea to crossover on dry ground. There they watched God annihilate the Egyptians who were in hot pursuit after them to kill them, as they proceeded on to Mount Sinai for further instructions from God.

Folks, I know you know this, but I will say it anyway. WE ARE ON A JOURNEY!

Our spiritual journey always begins at Passover. Even though we do not get "saved" or "born again" every year, we should at least celebrate and remember what God did for us through His Son Jesus, the spotless lamb of God. The good thing for us, is this. We can celebrate Passover every day if we want because our salvation is real and we have a new life because of it.

Passover for 2024 began at sunset, April 22nd and ended at sunset on April 30th (yesterday if you are reading this issue on May 1st).

If you did not celebrate a Jewish Passover this past week, then at least celebrate your spiritual birthday in this coming week of May. Although it may be a little late. "HAPPY BELATED PASSOVER!!"

Until next time.

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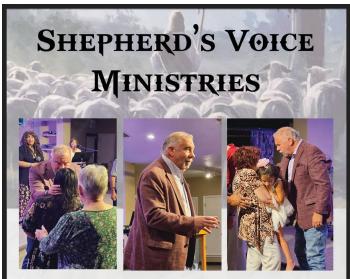


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Budd is such a blessing. I'm so thankful for His life and ministry. One thing I admire and respect about Budd is his ability to be flexible with what the Lord is doing. He yields to the Holy Spirit. We had a service where he was set to speak, but the Holy Spirit was on the move and his time to share got cut substantially. The grace he exemplified was encouraging to watch. He recognizes that the glory is for the Lord alone! This is what it looks like to be a surrendered vessel that allows the Lord to take the lead and have His will be done!

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Job 33:14-15