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*The flowers appear on the earth; The time of singing has come,
And the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. Song 2:12 NKJV Sandy Warner 06*

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Their souls shall be like  
a well-watered garden,  
And they shall sorrow  
no more at all....  
For I will turn their  
mourning to joy,  
Will comfort them,  
and make them rejoice  
rather than sorrow.

Jer 31:13 NKJV

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## WHAT IS EDIFICATION?

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Aug 19th 2005 - 11:37AM Posts to date: 3742

### WHAT IS EDIFICATION?

Scripture says that "He who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men." (1 Corinthians 14:3 NKJV)

There are times to build up and times to tear down and the Lord does both, in order to preserve His good work in the earth and in our lives. But for the most part, I have come to understand that His earnest desire is to build, and build, build; to strengthen and encourage and support us for His greater work of bringing His kingdom here on earth. Christians have the wrong idea when God speaks "bigness to them personally." They think it will build pride. And, yes, we each have to deal with that, and He has His perfect way of killing that seed inside of us and bringing us to teachable humility. Yet we are His children and just like any loving parent, He want us to become all that we are destined to be. His earnest wish is to establish us to be His family of kings and priests, rulers and reigners. He does this by building His Word inside of us, one building bock at a time.

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The word edification means to build up, to construct His abode within us. He does this with solid Words that fortify, confirm and stabilize our positions, our identities, our faith, our walk, our entire relationship with Him.

**oikodomeo**

**NT:3618 oikodomeo (oy-kod-om-eh'-o); from the same as NT:3619; to be a house-builder, i.e. construct or (figuratively) confirm:**

**KJV - (be in) build (-er, -ing, up), edify, embolden.**

**NT:3619 oikodome (oy-kod-om-ay'); feminine (abstract) of a compound of NT:3624 and the base of NT:1430; architecture, i.e. (concretely) a structure; figuratively, confirmation:**

**KJV - building, edify (-ication, -ing).**

**NT:3620 oikodomia (oy-kod-om-ee'-ah); from the same as NT:3619; confirmation:**

**KJV - edifying.**

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**Acts 9:31 NKJV**

**Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.**

**Romans 15:2 NKJV**

**Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. NKJV**

**I Corinthians 8:1 NKJV**

**We know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love edifies.**

**1 Corinthians 14:4 NKJV**

**He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church.**

**1 Corinthians 14:5 NKJV**

**I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies is greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification.**

**1 Corinthians 14:12 NKJV**

**Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual gifts, let it be for the edification of the church that you seek to excel.**

**1 Corinthians 14:26 NKJV**

**How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification.**

**Ephesians 4:29 NKJV**

**Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.**

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*And Moses placed the rods
before the Lord
in the tabernacle of witness....
and behold, the rod of Aaron ...
sprouted and put forth buds,
had produced blossoms
and yielded ripe almonds*

Num 17:7-8 NKJV

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You Will Not Be Left Behind

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] June 4th 2009 - 5:08PM Posts to date: 3742

YOU WILL NOT BE LEFT BEHIND 5/30/09

QUICKENED CONVERSATIONS: Anna and I drove down the river to eat lunch at a place where they also have boat rides. When we arrived they had no table with a river view. So we sat at a table until one came available and then asked to move. The waitress said "I will clean up the table and **I promise no one will take your place** ." One moment following that, the Lord opened my ears to hear the conversation of a lady sitting behind us. She told someone, "**I promise they will hold the boat for you, they will not leave without you.**"

Acts 27:21-25 NKJV

And now I urge you to take heart, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. 23 For there stood by me this night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve, 24 saying, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must be brought before Caesar; and indeed God has granted you all those who sail with you.' 25 Therefore take heart, men, for I believe God that it will be just as it was told me.

WORDS TO PONDER ABOUT NOT BEING LEFT BEHIND

YOU WILL NOT BE LEFT BEHIND 8/9/97

Even though you are isolated and set apart at this time, know that it is I Who have called you. I promise you that you shall come behind in no gift, and great shall your borders extend. Have courage to trust in Me and I will bring many hungry people to your bounty.

“For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in the year.” (Ex 34:24 KJV)

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ENJOY THE HARVEST 3/20/97

I AM bringing to harvest everything that which I have planted in the earth. And there will come a day when you will see this harvest very close to your own field. As you watch the fruit of others being harvested and taken for use, remember your time is coming. Enjoy their fruit and do not feel condemnation that your field is still waiting. You are in the season, but it takes a long time for the trucks to drive to each field and work their way through. “And where is My field?” you ask, feeling poor in spirit. You are not being left behind. Your field is the hidden fruits of your life and your heart. While you wait for your fruit to come forth, if you are hungry you may enjoy the reapings of others, for there is harvest enough for all.

“When you harvest the crops of your land, do not harvest the grain along the edges of your fields, and do not pick up what the harvesters drop. Leave it for the poor and the foreigners living among you. I, the LORD, am your God.” (Lev 23:22 NLT)

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EMPTY NEST 4/9/00

You have heard of the poem, “There are two lasting gifts you can give your children. One is roots and the other is wings.” I know this has been close to your heart being given both in your own life. And now that a generation has passed and you have given your children both, you wonder if your assignment is done. Far from it, My child! I hear you asking, “What’s next, Papa?”

Did you forget that I too have given you roots and wings? You will not be left behind, My love. Rather, you will be flying with your children. Together you shall enjoy My anointing and together you shall be lifted up into My Presence. So take courage and hope in your heart that I am not through with you yet. We have just begun, the best is yet to come.

“You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself.” (Ex 19:4-5 NKJV)

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BUILDING A FUTURE AND A HOPE 2/5/02

Sometimes you think you are spinning your wheels harvesting My Words and preparing them for another generation. I promise you that they will want and need My Words through you, and your time and effort are well worth it. You are investing your life into these My sons, and the journey set before them is tailor made like a glove to a hand.

So rest now My love and relax knowing you are doing exactly what I have called you to do. And I promise you that you shall not be left behind. I promise you that you shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover. I promise you that you shall release My power and virtue to many, and that you shall be fully satisfied with the fulfillment of all your hopes and dreams of My glory in end time ministry. For I know the plans that I have for you and they are to give you a future and a hope. No

good thing will I withhold from them that walk uprightly. My love, I am so please with you. Rest now in My love and put the trumpet to your mouth. Blow it loud and blow it clear. Tell them where you've been and where they are going.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. 12 Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. 13 And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart." (Jer 29:11-14 NKJV)

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YOU WILL NOT BE LEFT BEHIND 12/11/03

Dear ones, I hear your deepest concerns as you watch others soar in their faith and operate in their gifts. You wonder what is wrong with you and if you will ever obtain what has freely been offered to all. At times you are desperate. Then you feel left out and wonder why you even try. The enemy is trying to undermine your faith and hoping that you will give up. However the opposite is true. His attempts only make you stronger.

I want you to understand this issue from My point of view. I AM building a permanent temple with living stones. Each stone is perfectly hewn for its place. Beloved, all the carving is done before the setting. Laying all issues aside except for this, I want you to hear Me very clearly. There is only one place for you.

No one can fit in that place except you. It is a place designed and prepared. Now why do you think I would leave you behind? You are vital to the placement for all those around you, and vital to those stones who will later be built upon the foundation I have laid in your life. I will not leave you behind. Do you understand?

John 14:18 NLT

No, I will not abandon you as orphans--I will come to you.

1 Peter 2:5 NLT

And now God is building you, as living stones, into his spiritual temple.

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FAITHFUL PARENTS 2/28/04

My dearest nurturing ones, you have built a stairway for your children to ascend higher than you were able to climb yourself. Your own plans and desires have become sacrifices laid at My feet, that you might bring those you love into their places. How beautiful is your sweet smelling aroma, your very life poured out! As you stand before the place to which your children have risen, I say to you, "Come!" The door is open and it is My pleasure to bring you into your own place. You not only built the stairway for your progeny, but you have also built the stairway to your own dreams. Yes you climbed and climbed believing Me all the way. Trust Me that I will bring you through this door of destiny and you shall not be left behind. Your sacrifices shall be known throughout eternity. Thank you, My faithful parents.

Hab 3:17-19 NKJV

Though the fig tree may not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, and the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, and there be no herd in the stalls -- Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The LORD God is my strength; He will make my feet like deer's feet, and He will make me walk on my high hills.



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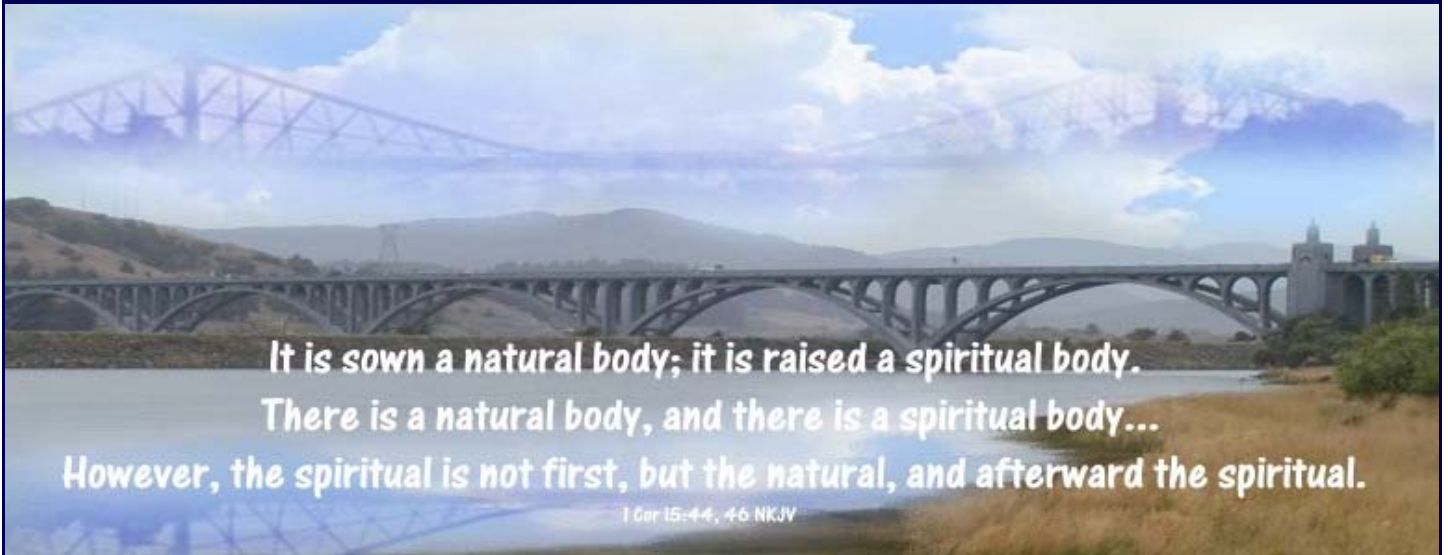
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**It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body.**

**There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body...**

**However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual.**

1 Cor 15:44, 46 NKJV

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## Too Much Talkin and Not Enough Walkin

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] May 22nd 2009 - 2:38PM Posts to date: 3742

### TOO MUCH TALKING AND NOT ENOUGH WALKING 5/06/09

A member of our QW class shared that she kept hearing the phrase, "Everybody's talking about a new way of walking."

As I read her statement I thought of a phrase the Lord once told me: "There's too much talkin and not enough walkin it out."

Perhaps the reason we are stuck between the old and the new is that we are not walking or moving past our past. We have a closet and drawer principle in our home. If we don't have enough room to buy the new thing, then we have to get rid of the old thing first. It's pretty hard to walk in the old and new wine skin at the same time.

### Luke 5:36-39

Then He spoke a parable to them: "No one puts a piece from a new garment on an old one; otherwise the new makes a tear, and also the piece that was taken out of the new does not

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match the old. 37 And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; or else the new wine will burst the wineskins and be spilled, and the wineskins will be ruined. 38 But new wine must be put into new wineskins, and both are preserved. 39 And no one, having drunk old wine, immediately desires new; for he says, 'The old is better.'"

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#### 8/1/98 GOD HAS A PURPOSE FOR EVERY SHAKING

HEARD: Expectation. Opened eyes. Higher level of faith. Level of faith. Shake, rattle and roll. He has a purpose for each step. From end to end I will fulfill all My promises. Too much talking, not enough walking it out.

APPLICATION: When things shake around us, God uses it to draw us to Him and take us higher in our levels of faith. Sometimes we just have to walk through things for our faith to grow.

#### Heb 12:25-29 NKJV

See that you do not refuse Him who speaks. For if they did not escape who refused Him who spoke on earth, much more shall we not escape if we turn away from Him who speaks from heaven, 26 whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, "Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven." 27 Now this, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of those things that are being shaken, as of things that are made, that the things which cannot be shaken may remain. 28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. 29 For our God is a consuming fire.

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#### WORDS TO PONDER ABOUT LEARNING THROUGH EXPERIENCE

##### THE LONG WAY AROUND 9/17/97

Sometimes you become frustrated by laboriously walking through a series of circumstances before you find My heart in a matter, when you think the simplest way would have been to hear My "yes" or "no." I have specialized training for everything that happens in your life. In this instance, what I want you to learn needs to be deeper than head knowledge, or facts that you can call up from some data base of information. When you learn by experience, it slows down the process so that you will not skip necessary steps, otherwise unlearned. You are better able to learn about the issues on a deeper level. When you learn slower, it keeps you from making accidents in your conclusions and choices, and you become more responsible for having walked through the steps involved. So perhaps you think that you may have walked a needless circle of events, but I see them as training for days to come.

"Only take heed to yourself, and diligently keep yourself, lest you forget the things your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. And teach them to your children and your grandchildren..." (Deut 4:9-10 NKJV)

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##### ADOPTIVE PARENTS 9/30/03

I am raising up godly teachers who will be like adoptive parents. There will be a huge demand for their teaching gifts when the fish net is full of new believers and is emptied out. You have heard the old adage, "Give a person a fish, and he has food for a day. Teach a person to fish, and he has food for a lifetime." This is My heart.

This teaching concept is the opposite of lectures and theories. Instead it is "how to learning," by being teaching examples and letting the students learn by having their own similar experiences. The young will learn My ways and voice by watching these parents model their own relationship with Me, then they will mimic it themselves until they develop their own skills. My precious fish will learn quickly

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and be able to maneuver in fast waters.

I will bond the adoptive parents with their children and visa versa. There will be great nurturing and appreciation sent straight from My own heart and living through My own ones.

“Listen, my child, to what your father teaches you. Don't neglect your mother's teaching. What you learn from them will crown you with grace and clothe you with honor.” (Prov 1:8-9 NLT)



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Stirring the Gifts

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RHEMA 4/13/09 WILL STIR THE GIFTS

HEARD: Your passion to communicate. It's important. I will stir your gifts.

PIX: I saw a spoon stirring a pot.

HEARD: It's My good work to bring you together. Alliance. Those who seek My face are hungry. Watchman.

STIRRING THE GIFTS 4/25/09

Our discussion lists are gathering and they are good gifts for us. These kind of gatherings will be increasingly important in tough times.

It is scripturally true and also a practical level truth that when the prophetic gather together, the Lord stirs up the prophetic gifts within us. It is much easier to

prophesy, see and hear when gathering with other prophetic people, then when alone because of the corporate giftings and canopy. I have experienced this many times, feeling quite dry until I gather. I am sincerely praying the Lord will open a porthole of His blessing for us to see and hear more and more because of our gathering together in this way.

1 Sam 10:5-6 NKJV

After that you shall come to the hill of God where the Philistine garrison is. And it will happen, when you have come there to the city, that you will meet a group of prophets coming down from the high place with a stringed instrument, a tambourine, a flute, and a harp before them; and they will be prophesying. 6 Then the Spirit of the LORD will come upon you, and you will prophesy with them and be turned into another man.

1 Sam 19:19-24 NKJV

Then Saul sent messengers to take David. And when they saw the group of prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as leader over them, the Spirit of God came upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied. 21 And when Saul was told, he sent other messengers, and they prophesied likewise. Then Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they prophesied also. 22 Then he also went to Ramah, and came to the great well that is at Sechu. So he asked, and said, "Where are Samuel and David?"

And someone said, "Indeed they are at Naioth in Ramah." 23 So he went there to Naioth in Ramah. Then the Spirit of God was upon him also, and he went on and prophesied until he came to Naioth in Ramah. 24 And he also stripped off his clothes and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and lay down naked all that day and all that night. Therefore they say, "Is Saul also among the prophets?"

2 Tim 1:6 NKJV

Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

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Which You have laid up for those who fear You,
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Ps 31:19 NKJV

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HE SPEAKS THROUGH PROPHETS

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Sept 4th 2005 - 11:59PM Posts to date: 3742

HE SPEAKS THROUGH PROPHETS

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

The prophet operates in four main functions: he foresees, and he foretells. He also keeps watch for the safety of the wall, and raises his hands in intercession in the time of battle.

~~~~~ Prophet: A foreteller, inspired speaker, poet, prophet. [4396 Gk Strong's]

In the Old Testament the prophet was called God's watchman. The Israelites had watchmen that stood in the towers keeping watch for any good or bad news that approached the welfare of the city. So when God called His prophets "watchmen," the people understood what that meant in relation to spiritual issues.

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~~~~~ Watchman: To lean forward, to peer into the distance, observe, await, behold, look up, wait for, keep the watch. [6822 Heb Strong's] [Anything he saw coming was announced to the people he stood watch over and protected. The Lord also called His prophets, seers].

The watchman's most important gifts are his eyes, ears and mouth. "Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he sees." (Isaiah 21:6 NKJV) The prophet sees and hears and then dispatches what he understands, receiving inspiration to speak God's announcements. The inspiration to speak is not necessarily for public ears. Sometimes, it is given in prayer with the authority to speak God's Word to be fulfilled on earth. An example is when the Lord commanded Ezekiel to speak to the dry bones: "Again He said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!" (Ezekiel 37:4 NKJV)

Most of the prophet's gifts are received in private, not outwardly apparent to the body of Christ. " ...If there be a prophet among you, I the Lord will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream." (Numbers 12:6 KJ) Much of his training to hear and understand is through the privacy of visions and dreams.

The true prophet appointed by God is like an iceberg. The public only sees the very tip. The submerged gift is the time spent standing at his post. When the Lord directs him, it only takes a brief moment to declare what he has seen. Most of his assignment is in private, and only when the Lord commands does he come forth publicly to declare what he sees.

The prophet's post not only watches outwardly in the distance, but also looks inwardly toward the safety of the community. He makes up the hedge, and stands in the gap: "And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me in the land..." (Ezekiel 22:30 KJ)

~~~~~ Hedge: An enclosure, fence, hedge, wall. It is from the same verb, make up the hedge, meaning to wall in or around, close up, fence up, hedge, enclose, make up a wall, mason, repairer. [1447 Heb Strong's from 1443]

For the Israelites, the watchman's post kept watch over the wall. If there was a breach or gap in the wall, vulnerable to enemy onslaught, he made sure it was repaired. The wall in spiritual terms was the spiritual hedge of protection surrounding the people from captivities, famines, wars, etc. When the Israelites resisted their conscience and disobeyed the Lord, they suffered the consequences of their wall being broken. This gave vulnerability to enemy attacks.

Today, if a hedge (wall) has been damaged, the Lord instructs and encourages the prophet how it will be repaired. Sometimes it will be repaired by outwardly confronting the cause of the breach. However, most of the time, standing in the gap is the 99 percent of the unseen iceberg. God tells the prophet what's wrong, and then He tells him how HE is going to fix it. (God fixes it, not the prophet.)

~~~~~ Standing: The act of abiding, tarrying, enduring, continuing, being employed, remaining, etc. [5975 Heb Strong's] Gap; Break, or breach. [6556 Heb Strong's]

When the Lord reveals how the breach will be fixed, the prophet is given inspiration and authority to delegate the repair. Nehemiah is a good example of the physical allegory of this concept. He was given the king's letter of delegated authority to dispatch supplies to rebuild the wall. (Nehemiah 2:8) The prophet's supplies are spiritual. The Lord reveals whatever is needed to spiritually repair the wall, then the prophet prays with authority what the Lord has spoken.

Sometimes during the repair of a breach, the enemy comes against the vulnerable places. As an example, the Lord rebuked the false prophets because they did not remain when there was a breach in the wall during battle. "...those who prophesy out of their own heart... Woe to the foolish prophets, who follow their own spirit and have seen nothing! ... your prophets are like foxes in the deserts. You have not gone up into the gaps to build a wall ... to stand in battle on the day of the LORD." (Ezekiel 13:2-5 NKJV)

The prophet stands with his spiritual hands raised, interceding on behalf of the warriors. He becomes an active part in the battle of anything coming against God's Words. Sometimes the battle will be lengthy. Yet, there comes a time when the Lord specifically tells him the battle is won in heaven. "It is finished!" Then the prophet's position becomes an active stand of faith,

believing God has spoken victory. He expectantly watches and waits for the promised victory to be performed on earth as it was spoken and seen in heaven.

Standing and believing God for His promised victory is a rest from the heat of battle, but it still requires abiding, tarrying, enduring, continuing, being employed, and remaining. God sees the victorious end from the beginning and speaks before it comes to pass. He who stands in the gap no longer needs to command and speak God's Word in the battle. He rests from war and yet remains steadfast against circumstance that says the victory is lost. He hears and believes God according to God's spoken victory. He awaits with hopeful and active anticipation for His Words to come to pass. The breach will close, with the enemy in retreat as God has spoken.

When knowing the Lord through a prophet, (as well as the other appointed gifts) there is a tendency to have one's eyes on the man, and not the Lord. An example of this is looking to the prophet for guidance, or a special word from the Lord. This perspective is no different than going to someone with the gift of mercy and asking him if he has the gift of mercy for them today! God is the source, not the person. The prophet is merely the Lord's servant who dispatches what he sees and hears. He is completely vulnerable and reliant upon the Lord for His gifts just like everyone else. The prophet's eyes look to the Lord as his source, and so it should be with the people.

- Knowing the Lord through a prophet, is seeing a special side of the Lord. His desire is to provide the encircling security of safety for those He loves. He keeps watch over all our ways and is ever before us, preparing His people for what's coming. When we have sinned and caused our hedge (wall) to be broken, the Lord sees that it is mended to completion. He is our intercessor in times of enemy onslaught.



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*And Moses placed the rods
before the Lord
in the tabernacle of witness....
and behold, the rod of Aaron ...
sprouted and put forth buds,
had produced blossoms
and yielded ripe almonds*

Num 17:7-8 NKJV

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HIS SUPER ON OUR NATURAL

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Sept 4th 2005 - 11:50PM Posts to date: 3742

HE SPEAKS THROUGH HIS SUPER ON OUR NATURAL

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

The Lord once asked me if I could separate eggs after they were scrambled. I thought that was a strange question until He said, "You and I are scrambled eggs." It took me a long time to really understand how it applied. For a very long time, I was stifled in applying His guidance because I was waiting for His supernatural touch. The fact was I'd had plenty of them, but I was still unsure of what was Him and what was me.

Then I realized He didn't want it to be that way - me versus Him. He wants to express Himself through us, with our personalities intact. He has deposited a portion of Himself in each one of us, and He created each of us differently for a reason. He is so big and so multifaceted, it takes a whole universe to even begin to express Who He is and what He wants to say! One day I realized it was His super on my natural. As I stepped out and shared what was on my heart,

He was there. He was not only with me but also feeling the same thing I was. We were in the same vessel but I hadn't really swallowed that when it came to applying His guidance to make decisions and share.

I once had a very funny experience swallowing how close He really is. The following is an excerpt from my journal: "I had an interesting thing happen to me last night. I have not given much thought to the fear of the Lord or the fear of angels. In fact I have always felt that I would be loved so much, I wouldn't suffer any fear of the supernatural. But last night I was fast asleep and I turned over and the clock said 11:10. My eyes were so heavy with sleep I couldn't keep them open for more than a couple of seconds at a time. I would keep peeking because I really wanted to see it turn to 11:11. I don't know how many times I did this and every time it still said 11:10. Then finally, in my mind, I started to count back from 10 - 9 - 8 - 7 - 6 - 5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1 - blast-off! That is what I said in my thoughts and exactly on the word blast-off the clock turned to 11:11.

Terror struck my heart!!!! It was the oddest experience. I had the sudden realization that the Almighty God lived inside my body, and even though I thought I was the one counting, it was Him and I hadn't known it. I had a supernatural encounter with God, and it was within me! So incredible, it's hard to even explain. My first thought was, "The Almighty God lives inside of me!" I know that must sound rather stupid because that is what the Holy Spirit teaches us, and we are also taught about the fear of the Lord, but this was experiencing it first hand. It was as close as I could get to Him and still not see Him. (Talk about invasion of privacy!) We have no idea!!!! Boy are we blind. Please, Lord lift the veil and prepare me for You! I had never realized this, but we can't get any closer to Him than His being inside of us. It is like watching our cat Cuddles and John. He will pick her up and she just goes into ecstasy when he scratches her. She pushes her little head as close to him as she can get. She leans into him with all her might. But even in the closest intimacy you can have, it is still not as intimate and private as having Him live inside and recognizing that. WOW. Lord help me to recognize You and draw fellowship from Your abiding Presence constantly!" (end of journal insert)

So how does all this apply to His guidance? This book is displaying the ways the Lord has chosen to speak to me, and some of them are natural as through our personalities, and some of them are supernatural as gifts from Him. He wants to reach out to us and through us with a scramble of both. It's not one or the other, it's both. This is the time when the Lord is drawing very close to the earth, to reach out and collect His final harvest. There is going to be a rain of His supernatural as the world has never seen before. And the way He is going to touch the world is through people. If you are waiting upon Him for guidance, remember to balance both sides. This book is filled with 101+ super and natural ways He can guide you. Always remember the most important concept to applying any of them is quickening and revelation. Without them it is a dead end road.



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 a well-watered garden,  
 And they shall sorrow  
 no more at all....  
 For I will turn their  
 mourning to joy,  
 Will comfort them,  
 and make them rejoice  
 rather than sorrow.

Jer 31:13 NKJV

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## Whooppeeee Graduating

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] June 5th 2007 - 10:0PM Posts to date: 3742



#### **RHEMA 6/05/07 WHOOPEEEE GRADUATING**

Tao had sent me a Word last week where He saw a solid piece of material like a piece of paper and there were several words written on it. As he read from the top to the bottom, he saw one prophet proclaiming something and two other men near the bottom of the paper. At the very bottom of the paper he heard my name.

The same night that Tao received this Word, I saw an associate of that prophet hand me a piece of paper. We have both been pondering this connecting rhema and praying into it. Then today Tao happened to send me a link to Rick Joyner's Word for 2007. I had not read it before. When I came to the following paragraph, my spirit leapt within me. I felt that it was the answer to our prayers for understanding the piece of paper.

Quote from: "A Word for the New Year"

<http://www.morningstarministries.org/feature/wftw/2006/5206.htm>

December 25, 2006

Rick Joyner:

..."I also saw the Lord handing out many graduation certificates to those who are prophetically gifted. Many who have faithfully labored on one level are about to immediately be elevated to the next one. Almost all of these were going from elementary to middle school, but this is a significant advancement, and widespread credibility will soon come to the prophetic ministry in the church. This will bring increasing excitement and hope to multitudes of local churches, which will likewise begin to advance in the things of the Lord..."

**QUICKENED MEMORY:** The Holy Spirit brought back to memory that I had a vision a couple months ago about graduating.

#### **EXCERPT RHEMA 4/25/07 GRADUATION**

**HEARD:** Foundations. Renewed.

**VISION:** I saw Martha Washington and she was decorating the arch with lovely vines. The arch she was holding was to be the first one in a long graduation line. There was a second arch standing up but without vines. Martha is a parable. She is the first lady, wife of our first president who helped found our nation. She is saying that we are going to graduate from our schooling/ tough training and rebuild our foundations and launch into the greater gifts of increase.

**FUN CONFIRMATION:** Yesterday I printed the first half of my year's 2007 rhema and for each year I choose a special graphic that represents the theme of that year. After praying about this year, I felt the above graphic was His Word. And today was the day that Tao sent me Rick's confirmation about graduating.

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Years ago I had a vision of the Lord sending all His teddy bears out into a parade onto the streets. They were all dressed up in rank and file, each group the same height and uniform. He is getting ready to send His graduates!

Every year we experience some measure of personal graduations but this year, we as a people are **CROSSING OVER**. As a people we are graduating from the past, leaving it all behind yet also bringing with us the memorial stones of lessons and experiences and Words that were planted in our faith. We are done circling the same mountains of defeat and hopeless wanderings. We are going to know the God of the Bible, honor His Word, learn to obey Him and occupy the promises and destinies He has preserved for us. We are finally moving forward with purpose in lieu of circling. **WHOOPPPPEEEE**, this is big time **GRADUATION**. I find it no accident that June is also the month of graduation!



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Num 6:25-26 NKJV

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*The flowers appear on the earth; The time of singing has come,  
And the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. Song 2:12 NKJV Sandy Wenzel 06*

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## THE MANIFOLD WISDOM OF GOD

Posted by [ [blackopal](#) ] Apr 8th 2007 - 9:20PM Posts to date: 198

02/16/07 According to the Gift of God's Grace

HEARD: Ephesians 3:7-12

NAS Ephesians 3:7 of which I was made a minister, according to the gift of God's grace which was given to me according to the working of His power.<sup>8</sup> To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ,<sup>9</sup> and to bring to light what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God, who created all things;<sup>10</sup> in order that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly places.<sup>11</sup> This was in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord,<sup>12</sup> in whom we have boldness and confident access through faith in Him.

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04/05/07 Quickened number: 814

Hebrew for 814 'eshkar {esh-cawr'} - gift, present

from 7939 sakar {saw-kawr'} -

- 1) hire, wages
- a) wages
- b) reward, pay
- c) fare, fee, passage-money

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Greek for 814 ataktos {at-ak'-toce}

- 1) disorderly, out of ranks (often so of soldiers)
  - 2) irregular, inordinate, immoderate pleasures
  - 3) deviating from the prescribed order or rule
- from 1 (as a negative particle) and a derivative of 5021 tasso {tas'-so}

- 1) to put in order, to station
- a) to place in a certain order, to arrange, to assign a place, to appoint
- 1) to assign (appoint) a thing to one
- b) to appoint, ordain, order
- 1) to appoint on one's own responsibility or authority
- 2) to appoint mutually, i.e. agree upon

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Dream of 04/08/07 The Flight Attendant

In this dream I was a flight attendant in a big airplane. I was teaching others sitting there what to do in certain situations. These situations could be either positive or negative. To demonstrate my points I had a puzzle picture of the airplane in a box with me. As I shook the box and the pieces got all mixed up I seemed to have the skills and ability to instantly find the pieces that were relevant in that situation and quickly put the whole picture together.

Confirmation:

At the beginning of the week I sent a gift of a puzzle to a friend. After the dream, in the morning, I received this e-mail from my friend:

"When I picked up the box at the PO, I shook it and heard that puzzle. I was laughing before I ever opened it. How can anyone disguise a puzzle? "

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**BROKEN DREAD: THE MANIFOLD WISDOM OF GOD 04/08/07**

Every time when you feel the shakings in your life and feel everything falling apart into many pieces, you are experiencing nothing but the power of My Word as it is quaking and waking the earth of your soul and life. From chaos and emptiness, from darkness and barrenness - by My Spirit I call forth and establish My Kingdom in order and fullness, in glory and life. I AM openly declaring My manifold wisdom and power to the rulers and authorities in heavenly places through you as you become My spoken Word, the living testimony of My Grace written not by ink but by the power of My Spirit on the tablets of your heart.

I have called you as a minister of My gospel according to the measure of the grace of God given to you. I have placed gifts into My Body, appointed special workers for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry. You do well as you listen to My Words of life spoken through these until you are no longer a child but grow up in all aspects into Me. Until you too will step into your own destiny and equip many. I AM clearing and amplifying My voice as I remove disorder, establish rank, cleanse from unruly passions and ambitions in your midst.

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My voice will once again shake heaven and earth as I AM ready to reveal, to speak forth the deepest mysteries of My Grace.

**NAS Ephesians 4:11** And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers,<sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;<sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fulness of Christ.<sup>14</sup> As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves, and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;<sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

**NAS 2 Corinthians 3:2** You are our letter, written in our hearts, known and read by all men;<sup>3</sup> being manifested that you are a letter of Christ, cared for by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone, but on tablets of human hearts.

**NAS Haggai 2:6** "For thus says the LORD of hosts, 'Once more in a little while, I am going to shake the heavens and the earth, the sea also and the dry land.<sup>7</sup> 'And I will shake all the nations; and they will come with the wealth of all nations; and I will fill this house with glory,' says the LORD of hosts.

**NAS Zechariah 4:6** Then he answered and said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel saying, 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of hosts.<sup>7</sup> 'What are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you will become a plain; and he will bring forth the top stone with shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"'"

Love and blessings in Him

Andrea

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> **NAS Song of Solomon 1:5** "I am black but lovely, O daughters of Jerusalem, like the tents of Kedar, like the curtains of Solomon.

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## Helicopters are Quicken

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Feb 18th 2007 - 4:17PM Posts to date: 3742



#### HELICOPTERS ARE QUICKENED 2/10/07

Within a couple days of each other, I had 2 people write to me about helicopters. This was quickened to me.

From reader #1:

I had a very strange dream early this morning. In the dream someone was wanting to get us to a safe mountain retreat, my husband and I. We were asked to get into a helicopter. The strangest thing happened. The helicopter rose, but not very high. It flew above cars, but had to go between power poles and avoid the high voltage power lines.

We flew low so we would not be detected. I heard, " It takes skill to fly low and safely." I remember being very scared about how low we were and how we had to manuver mountains and still stay out of sight.

We did arrive safely to the mountain retreat in the dream. There was some sort of war going on during this whole time.

The dream is confirmation that the Lord is the pilot. The funny thing about the dream is the actual pilot was LIGHT bright white Light.. I had forgotten that till now. The CO pilot I believe was a spokesman for the Pilot.

In the dream, we flew through a high voltage line that ran over head and on each side. One little move one way or the other and ZAP! But the skill needed was with the Pilot.

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From Reader #2

In the middle of the night last night a helicopter flew over our house. It was so low that the window we have looked out to see car vandalize and other things rattle. It encourage me.

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It was quickened to me to do a search in my rhema for all the places He has mentioned helicopters.

INSERTS HELICOPTER

RHEMA 5/3/98 DELIVERANCE

PIX: I saw a helicopter carrying giant blocks and giant letters on the blocks.

HEARD: Deliverance. Awesome. Give you a hand. Wind. Captain.

"And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from

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the face of the serpent." (Revelations 12:14)

"And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days." (Revelations 12:16)

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RHEMA EXCERPT 7/25/99

HEARD: My chosen one. Helicopter. It's called grace. Blow my circuits. Yikes. Set of keys.

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RHEMA 4/14/00 AFTER SURGERY/ GILGAL

HEARD: I will obey You. Righteousness.

HEARD: Attention:

PIX: I saw the tail end of the tiny white water at the end of a rapid, or rough water. The water was just slightly bubbled and frothy and I could see the current moving in a V as the froth disappeared. V stands for victory after the rough water.

HEARD: Hospital. After surgery.

PIX: I saw a man turning a large crank, kind of what looked like the ones on the tongue of a boat trailer.

HEARD: Cinching. Batting down the hatches. We have an important announcement to make. Weathered the storm. Jesus was good. Graduated. International apostolic. Foundation laid. Attention everyone.

PIX: I saw a stealth black helicopter loaded with weapons. (It is the Black Hawk and is a front line stealth copter that flies at night in combat.)

HEARD: I brought them across the hill. The Lord of my soul truly loads us with daily benefits. Like a grain of wheat that falls to the ground. It cannot bear fruit. Without death. Gilgal.

PIX: I saw a choir director giving the hand signals that say repeat the song again.

HEARD: The 11th hour.

CONFIRMATION: Wayne was telling me this morning that like the men who stayed behind with the stuff that it was like the 11th hour where those that were called to work at that time would paid equally as those who had been working since the first.

1 Sam 30:8-10 NLT

And the LORD told him, "Yes, go after them. You will surely recover everything that was taken from you!" So David and his six hundred men set out, and they soon came to Besor Brook. But two hundred of the men were too exhausted to cross the brook, so David continued the pursuit with his four hundred remaining troops.

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RHEMA 4/19/00 LANDED

PIX: I saw the wheels of a helicopter come down and land on the ground. They were spinning, then they stopped.

HEARD: I will establish you. Calling. Assurance.

PIX: I saw a top of a shepherd's staff with the crook on top. It moved over to the neck of someone and drew him in with it.

HEARD: Don't argue

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PIX: Save this song? Yes or no?

QUICKENED SONG: Holiness is what you long from me. Take my mind and transform it. Take my will and form it.]

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11/12/00 HOLY EXAMPLE - House of Prayer Not Entertainment

PIX: I saw a clear mug with hot tea in it, slowly pouring out.

HEARD: Trumpet. Role model. Testimony. We've hashed it out before. The Lord has revealed. Video. My house is a house of prayer. Not entertainment.

HEARD: I'll give you an example: I valued that Word. What I thought was spinning around in circles. Was waiting on the Lord.

PIX: I saw the top of a filing cabinet with helicopter blade propellers circling over it. It was as though to say the sharp cutting of the Spirit was hovering over the Word that had been filed away.

HEARD: You are necessary. In Christ. The righteous.

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RHEMA 9/15/06: AN ANGELIC WHIRLWIND

EXPERIENCE: I left for a special prayer meeting at 5:30 in the midst of and directly under the worst hail storm I have ever seen in my life. When I got home 4 hours later, hail was piled up 2 feet deep at the end of the downspouts coming from the gutters on our roof.

Just prior to leaving, there was loud thunder and lightning. I drove just a few miles an hour and the car was getting pelted. It was so loud and furious, I kept thinking it would get better, so it would be worse for me to turn back home. It was still strong on our freeway and cars were going a couple MPH in both lanes full of hail and much water.

When I arrived at the meeting, it was announced that the whole town was in a uproar and had sent flyers to every home requesting attendance at the town meeting, for public input on a matter of our purchasing property.

HEARD: Thunder. The voice of Papa. Deluge. New roof. Slows traffic.

VISION: During tongues, I saw a large helicopter that had been sent and the blades were whirling over our pastor's head. The phrase sow to the wind, and reap the whirlwind came to mind. I received immediately impartation that it was a large warrior angel sent to hurl off the demonic. It was also a warning to keep watch on our mouths and say only what God says. I felt that whatever we spoke, would also be whirled into a wind of influence, multiplied, so we needed to prophesy and declare Gods Word.

CONFIRMATION: After the first round of prayer and then waiting upon the Lord, we usually go around the table sharing what we received, before we again pray over what we hear and see. And pastors wife saw a large angel that was planted in the middle of our church, and its head rotated 360 degrees and spun in circles and caused a wind. She did not yet know what I had seen.

CONFIRMATION: When I drove home 4 hours later, I saw hail still standing in all the yards and streets. But I saw NO signs of any wind at all. When I came to our home, there was ripped up leaves and signs like a large whirlwind had just spun everything around in a cycle right over our home. Wayne said he was praying non stop and praying that our carport and our porch roof would stand and not fly away. He felt it was like an inverted cyclone.

UNDERSTANDING: I felt the angel had come on behalf of all those who were sowing evil words

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he was not allowing any of the seeds to be planted, but instead was hurling them far away outside of our boundaries to be cast aside as nothing.

I can clearly see both sides of sowing seeds into the wind and reaping a whirlwind. The angel that has come into our midst, with whirling blades is chopping off all that is a stumbling block to the kingdom, and that includes our own lives. It is very, very important that our words / Words represent Him and not become a stumbling block.

The final thing that is impressed upon me, is that I keep thinking about those whirling helicopter blades visiting our home tonight in the cyclone wind. I am reminded of both Jill Austins and also Bobby Conners visions of the angel of the Lord taking a sword and cutting the head off anyone and anything that did not lay very low in humility. It was pride and self assurance that they were cutting off. All are a product of an independent spirit. Those who lay low, are humble with the fear of God that they are unable to measure His standard and they lean heavily upon Him will be saved from the blades.

CONFIRMATION: Yesterdays WordPicture was the scripture where Jesus rebuked the wind and there was peace. I rarely know when these things are coming out on the list, and I always enjoy the timing of them returning to me a second time with new meaning than when I first received them.

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#### UPDATE CONFIRMATION PRE-SERVICE PRAYER 9/23/06

One of our intercessors declared lightning of authority over our heads. And then she saw the whirlwind. She said there was an umbrella of truth and righteousness over us.

CONFIRMATION: During her prayer, another intercessor saw a whirlwind when and he said it was like a merrygo round where the force of it was hurling the demonic away. He was not at the private prayer meeting before and had no idea of the words already given about that very subject.

UPDATE: I was listening to a Bob Jones CD and he mentioned that portholes are opened like clockwise whirlwinds for the angels and counter clockwise whirlwinds for the demonic. He said that angels and people go up and down these portholes and he said that Jacob's ladder was one of them.

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#### WORD TO PONDER: ANGELIC WHIRLWINDS 9/15/06

Now is the season when what is sown to the wind will reap a whirlwind. For those who are standing for righteousness sake, I AM sending angelic warriors to stand in your midst, and bring about a clock wise whirlwind. This wind will hurl the demonic assignments far from your midst, so that they will fall null and void and not be planted. It is a protection for you during the storm.

Be sure to follow your conscience and keep it void of offense, for the principal of reaping and sowing works both ways. Whatever destructive seeds you sow through negative words will harvest a counter clockwise whirlwind in your own life of great multiplication.

When you gather in corporate prayer and worship, these mighty angelic beings will generate the whirlwinds to open portholes to heaven. Arise prayer warriors, mount up with passion and declare the Words of the Lord! Loose heaven's Words to the winds and let the angelic whirlwinds send them out upon the earth.

Hos 8:7 NKJV

"They sow the wind, and reap the whirlwind .

Job 4:8-9 NKJV

Even as I have seen, those who plow iniquity and sow trouble reap the same.

By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of His anger they are consumed.

Gal 6:7-8 NKJV

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For

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he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

**Ps 77:18 NKJV**

The voice of Your thunder was in the whirlwind ; The lightnings lit up the world;  
The earth trembled and shook.

**Jer 23:19 NKJV**

Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD has gone forth in fury — A violent whirlwind !  
It will fall violently on the head of the wicked.

**Nah 1:3 NKJV**

The LORD has His way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of His feet.



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Their souls shall be like
a well-watered garden,
And they shall sorrow
no more at all....
For I will turn their
mourning to joy,
Will comfort them,
and make them rejoice
rather than sorrow.

Jer 31:13 NKJV

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ABUNDANT PROVISION in His Glory Train

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Feb 25th 2007 - 9:53AM Posts to date: 3742

**PRESERVICE PRAYER MEETING: HIS GLORY TRAIN IS COMING WITH ABUNDANT PROVISION
2/24/07**

PIX: I saw the inside of a volcano building.

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ANSWER TO PRAYER: Several weeks ago I heard the Lord tell me that He had accomplished a lot in His first breath. Then immediately He brought back the vividness of the trance vision I received in 1984 where I literally felt, heard, saw and personally experienced His own lungs as He was inhaling, then held it, then exhaled.

This is the right time for 2007 is the year of completion and we are preparing to cross over into our promises and . I have been waiting and calling upon Him to take another breath and not leave us in suspension or delay without His breath. I have not heard from Him about this

subject since that day.

AN INTERCESSOR PROPHESED: She saw the a huge pair of nostrils that was going to fill us up. She said the Lord was going to breath into us! What an awesome answer to my desperate prayers!

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HEARD: So far you have seen just a foretaste of abundance.

Eph 3:20-21 NKJV

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, 21 to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

John 10:10 NKJV

I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

Ps 132:14-17 NKJV

"This is My resting place forever; Here I will dwell, for I have desired it. I will abundantly bless her provision; I will satisfy her poor with bread. I will also clothe her priests with salvation, And her saints shall shout aloud for joy. There I will make the horn of David grow; I will prepare a lamp for My Anointed.

PASTOR: About 2 minutes after I heard the Lord whisper to me about abundance, Pastor got up and began praying about the supply train coming into the wilderness. And we prayed in all the supplies that we were needing. Pastor said that He supplies exceedingly **ABUNDANTLY**. He also said that God is timeless and limitless. He prayed for fresh hope and determination.

HEARD: Fresh wind.

PASTOR: He prayed for the smell of heaven to come and remove our own smell. That we would be cleansed like the fullers soap.

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AN INTERCESSOR: He prophesied about the hospital and the sickest people would be healed and then become the most compassionate healers birthed out of brokenness. He said they would have a new identity, purpose and personality and no longer broken.

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THE GLORY TRAIN IS CLOSER: One of the intercessors saw and heard that a train was whistling through the mountains and people were walking towards the tracks. He heard the train's brakes hit and demonstrated with the sounds of a tshhhhhhhhuuuuu.

I was totally amazed at that. I have been asking the Lord for at least a year what that sound was that I make sometimes when the power of His Spirit comes upon me. It was the identical sound. We have had many visions and Words about His glory train coming. I collected as many as I could and put them into an 90 page book about it and the not so ironic point is that I just sent the book to the printers this week. The glory train file has been on line at the website for several years.

He did mention about the cars filled with provision. One of the visions I had of this glory train was my taking a handle and filling people with these downloads that was coming from the box cars of the train. One of the Words the Lord spoke to Anna was He was going to blow the whistle of where the train was, where it is and where it is going. He said it was a loud and clarion whistle. To this day, I still tune into train whistles that go through our valley. I hear them at night.

INSERT MAHESH'S VISION OF TRAIN COMING TO OREGON 11/7/99 Since 1987 the Lord has been speaking to His prophetic intercessors about His coming glory train. In 1987, my Mom, (we call her Grandma Anna) was awakened by a huge blast of a train whistle in her bedroom. The Lord spoke to her about His coming train. Since then, we have been waiting for this train

with great anticipation.

At the Cornerstone Church conference where Mahesh Chavda was speaking, Mahesh shared a vision. He had arrived from the airport with just enough time to rest before the evening meeting. As he was resting he saw the face of an Indian with his ear to the ground and a very large smile across his face. The perspective grew and he could see that the Indian was listening for vibration on some train tracks. The Lord told him that His glory train was coming and it would be loaded with many gifts.

Several minutes later Mahesh stepped down from the platform. I was sitting on the 2nd row because I was blessed to be a part of the ministry team, and he stood right in front of us. He was speaking of the Lord's coming glory and said, "Get ready to feel the rumble of the train!" At that exact moment, I literally felt very strong vibrations under my tennis shoes. I was struck by His Spirit and I could literally feel the rumble through my feet. The vibrations entered my feet, traveled up my legs, to my stomach and I immediately erupted into radical shaking. I was shaking like a leaf all over! It was a powerful experience! (Psalm 99:1)

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THE OREGON TRAIL: Another intercessor mentioned that they always started in Independence. As they journeyed, they were forced to throw off excess baggage. If they hired a GUIDE (Holy Spirit) they would not have to bother taking the baggage. Interesting that they left their "independence" as they came into the new territory.

WORD TO PONDER: WILDERNESS TRAINING {From Volume One 1997}

For years you have wandered in the wilderness. Circling in endless paths, seemingly going nowhere. Personal ambitions too heavy to carry have been dropped. Dear possessions gone by the way side. Like the pioneers of old, your path is scattered with what was left behind. Graves of dead and buried treasures.

What you did not see during those seemingly wasted years is the beauty of character that formed in the making of such a journey. You see what was lost, I see what was gained. My image is pressed upon your heart. Pure and simple, you have become more like Me.

It is not all lost. I have had a destination in mind. Even now I am bringing you to the river Jordan to occupy a new beginning, a new land. Are you ready? Will you cross over? It's there, waiting for you and when your time comes. Think about it.

"As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so is a man that wandereth from his place."
(Proverbs 27

CHURCH SERVICE WORSHIP

HEARD: I AM swelling.

{ I had no idea what He meant and asked Him. }

PIX: I saw a chest expand as a breath was being taken.

PROPHETIC GESTURE: I found myself taking a deep breath through my nose and swelling my chest out at the same time as I saw the picture.

IMPRESSION: I had the strong impression that the Lord was smelling our fragrance as He was inhaling through His nose and starting to take His 2nd breath.

Song 7:8-9 NKJV

The fragrance of your breath like apples, and the roof of your mouth like the best wine.

(VISION: A few days ago I had a vision of 2 green apples being taken out of our fridge. And Wayne also bought some green apple pop for the first time and it is now in our fridge too. Bob Jones says that apples represent healing. The Lord want to fill our mouths and breath with Words of healing. 2 apples, double portion, PRAISE GOD.)

2 Cor 2:14-17 NKJV

Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. To the one we are the aroma of death leading to death, and to the other the aroma of life leading to life. And who is sufficient for these things? For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ.

HEARD: Freedom train. Deliverer. You have a destiny.

CONFIRMATION: When I got home from church I saw the following graphic came out tonight in the Word to Ponder about Reading the Signs.



WORD TO PONDER: ABUNDANT PROVISION IS COMING 2/24/07

Even now as your life of brokenness is prostrate before Me, I have heard your cries for more breath. I am sending My second wind, and even now breathing in deeply of your fragrance, a sweet smell of your love. Ours is a reciprocal relationship where you cry out to be filled with Me and I yearn to breath in the comfort and passion of Your heart for more of Me.

I AM coming dear heart to fill you with My power. To fill you with My provision. To fill you with My healing. To fill you with My ABUNDANT PROVISION of even more than you ask or think. Up until now, you have only had a foretaste of such abundance. I shall pour My wind out upon you and blow away the destroyer who would steal, rob and kill and I will sweep through your life and heal all your losses and empower you to run a second wind with great grace in your sails. Freedom, healing, deliverance, abundance is in your destiny.

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*Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, the Life ... and He died for you.*

Oh, how great is Your goodness,  
Which You have laid up for those who fear You,  
Which You have prepared for those who trust in You.  
Ps 31:19 NKJV

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## Looking in the Wrong Mirror

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Feb 10th 2007 - 1:24PM Posts to date: 3742

### PONDERINGS: LOOKING IN THE WRONG MIRROR 2/05/07

Recently I was "reflecting" on a past failure that made me feel really sad. I knew the Lord allowed what I walked through to help me grow up and let go of childish things. As I "reflect" back upon it, I did everything I was supposed to do, but the results did not end up the way I had hoped. I have made some good changes in my life as a result of this, but I don't like the memory of my old mirror staring me in the face. I could see that as long as I stayed on the same "reflection" of the past, it was keeping me in that place and destroying my self image and the image the Lord wanted to build inside of me.

When I shared this, saying I needed my mirror to change, a friend wrote back and said that I should not feel punished or spanked from the results. And the mirror that I see myself should never have to do with how others respond or with what circumstances say.

### UPDATE CONFIRMATION

The same day Tao emailed me a link to the Word to Ponder that brought him to the Quicken

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Word ministry 3 years ago. The link was at Elijah List, and my eyes popped out as I read what Steve said, and then read the Word to Ponder that the Lord had given me back then:

IMPORTANT Note by Steve Shultz, regarding:

**"WHAT YOU DEEM AS DEFEAT, I CALL ' TRIUMPHANT OVERCOMING"**

For those newer to the ELIJAH LIST, Sander Warner, author of this word, is also the author of the very first book the Elijah List EVER carried.

Sandy's book is entirely FULL of ways in which God speaks to people today. In fact it's called, "101+ Ways God Speaks And How to Hear Him."

Below is a great word that applies to actually MOST readers on the Elijah List. The Lord is telling you what HE sees in you and what you've gone through in your life.

**Take special note how it contrasts or seems OPPOSITE of how you see YOURSELF, as you look into the mirror of your life.**

I hope you'll get her book, "101+ Ways God Speaks And How to Hear Him."

I also do not feel it is coincidental that her book was the first one in our store. God wanted to communicate many concepts of hearing God speak ---in PLAIN ENGLISH to His Body. At that, Sandy excels.

Be blessed as you read this word and as you read her book.

Merry Christmas,

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Precious one, what a courageous journey you have taken and how proud I AM of you to have trusted Me in sharing My Words. This has been a journey of faith. While you were yet a youth in My Spirit, I called you and gave you many signs of confirmation upon your life. You were so insecure that the mere thought of it made you tremble! How I love challenges! (Smile, dear one!) I had special assignments in mind just for you. You were perfect for the job.

I began by giving you My Words, but I called you to pray them instead of sharing them. You were My intercessor, partnering with Me in matters of importance to My heart. All along the way, I continued to give you confirmations, My signs that you really were hearing Me, and growing along the way. This was a journey of faith, for you had no person to give these Words to, or no one to give you a direct confirmation. I taught you to fly on the wings of faith as you held onto My confirmed Words.

"What a Story of Overcoming!"

I gave you the promise that one day we would be married as one, as happens to others of My fold. I said I would give you My Word as a two-edged weapon to soften the hearts of men, and to pierce the demonic spirits. This weapon would never run dry, for it is dipped in My eternal fountain of blood. This weapon would bow so low as to touch the ground in humility, then grow up as a pure white mantle, softly caressing your shoulders in governmental authority. This weapon would be like tall angelic wings covering you from behind.

You have accepted My Words of promise over your life. And what a story of overcoming! Against all odds, against every demonic current and onslaught, you continue to travel upward and press into Me. Whenever you come to the end of your rope, you lie spent before My feet, even as a salmon who has come home to spawn.

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**"What You Deem Defeat, I Call Triumphant"**

My bride! What you deem as defeat, I call triumphant overcoming. You may feel beat up and dented having stood against all odds, but what you do not know is I that I plant mysteries in many of My children for them to discover. I have planted one inside your own spiritual womb.

I have planted many children in your own particular womb who are following the same path as you, My beloved. Your journey will be multiplied over and over again, as I plant My Words of promise within the insecure ones, and they also will take the courage to trust Me and follow My promises into fulfillment. These are My triumphant ones who so love Me, that they will reach beyond the limits of their own insecurities to go wherever I send them. They will fly on the wings of faith, built through one loving confirmation at a time. When My Words come to pass within their own lives, they will become My signs to a broken and crippled world.

"I will set a sign among them; and those among them who escape I will send to the nations: to Tarshish and Pul and Lud, who draw the bow, and Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off who have not heard My fame nor seen My glory. And they shall declare My glory among the Gentiles." (Isaiah 66:19 NKJV)

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**WORD TO PONDER: DONT LET YOUR FAILURES BE YOUR MIRROR 2/05/07**

Dear one, you must get past the memories of old mirrors. Do not let your past failures be your mirror or reflection of who I say you are. It is important to get past the past and find a new reflection and perception of who you are becoming. You have to believe your infinite worth to Me and through Me, so that you can live in that place.

If you also allow another's negative feedback to formulate the mirror of your self image, then it will be warped and untrue. I BUILD you up into My image. If ever I tear down and do surgery to take something out of you, I give you the knowledge of My love, and the hope of a brighter future without the entanglements that do not become you. I tear out death, but only to give you abundant life.

You consider Me altogether lovely. Then look into the pool of My eyes and You will see your own reflection through My ravished, enraptured love for you.

**Song 5:6 NKJV  
THE SHULAMITE**

Do not look upon me, because I am dark, Because the sun has tanned me. My mother's sons were angry with me; They made me the keeper of the vineyards, But my own vineyard I have not kept.

**Song 4:15 NKJV  
THE KING**

Behold, you are fair, my love! Behold, you are fair! You have dove's eyes behind your veil. Your hair is like a flock of goats, Going down from Mount Gilead. 2 Your teeth are like a flock of shorn sheep Which have come up from the washing, Every one of which bears twins, And none is barren among them. 3 Your lips are like a strand of scarlet, And your mouth is lovely. Your temples behind your veil Are like a piece of pomegranate. 4 Your neck is like the tower of David, Built for an armory, On which hang a thousand bucklers, All shields of mighty men. 5 Your two breasts are like two fawns, Twins of a gazelle, Which feed among the lilies. 6 Until the day breaks And the shadows flee away, I will go my way to the mountain of myrrh And to the hill of frankincense.

7 You are all fair, my love, And there is no spot in you. 8 Come with me from Lebanon, my spouse, With me from Lebanon. Look from the top of Amana, From the top of Senir and Hermon, From the lions' dens, From the mountains of the leopards.

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9 You have ravished my heart, My sister, my spouse; You have ravished my heart With one look of your eyes, With one link of your necklace. 10 How fair is your love, My sister, my spouse! How much better than wine is your love, And the scent of your perfumes Than all spices! 11 Your lips, O my spouse, Drip as the honeycomb; Honey and milk are under your tongue; And the fragrance of your garments Is like the fragrance of Lebanon. 12 A garden enclosed Is my sister, my spouse, A spring shut up, A fountain sealed. 13 Your plants are an orchard of pomegranates With pleasant fruits, Fragrant henna with spikenard, 14 Spikenard and saffron, Calamus and cinnamon, With all trees of frankincense, Myrrh and aloes, With all the chief spices — 15 A fountain of gardens, A well of living waters, And streams from Lebanon.

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Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, the Life ... and He died for you.

*And Moses placed the rods
before the Lord
in the tabernacle of witness....
and behold, the rod of Aaron ...
sprouted and put forth buds,
had produced blossoms
and yielded ripe almonds*

Num 17:7-8 NKJV

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One Way: The Right Way

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Feb 10th 2007 - 12:34AM Posts to date: 3742

RHEMA 2/05/07 THE RIGHT THING TO DO

QUICKENED PHRASE: The following phrase was quickened to me from an email. This person had made a difficult choice and the validation for that choice was summed up with this statement: "That is what I would enjoy most right now because I believe it is the right thing."

UPDATE CONFIRMATION 2/07/07: Tao happened to email me and said the following: "Recently the Lord emphasized to me that there was a difference between "good things" and "right things". Not every good thing we do are the "right" things in His sight. However if we obey His voice and do His will, we will do the "right" things... I learned to lean hard on His understanding, not on my understanding. In order to walk with the Lord in such a way, there is no other choice but leaning hard on Him alone for everything."

WORD TO PONDER: THE RIGHT WAY 2/05/07

Sometimes you are offered a choice between the good way and the right way. There are roads in life that have good opportunities, qualities and gifts, but they do not always represent My right way. Beloved, although there are a myriad of signs pointing to good places, there is only one right way. I AM your Way, your truth and your life. The only way you will know the Way is to follow Me.

1 Sam 12:23-24 NKJV

...Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you; but I will teach you the good and the right way .

Ps 107:6-7 nkjv

... Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses and he led them forth by the right way.

1 Cor 10:23 Amp

All things are legitimate [permissible — and we are free to do anything we please], but not all things are helpful (expedient, profitable, and wholesome). All things are legitimate, but not all things are constructive [to character] and edifying [to spiritual life].

Part of the reason that phrase was quickened to me was because I was having a hard time letting go of the good way and instead choosing the right way, in a particular place in my life. As I was praying (again!!!) over this issue, I turned with anointed hands to the following Word.

WORD TO PONDER: TO PUSH 1/19/03

There are those among My people who have a calling upon their lives, but they have only known closed doors. They have searched in all the wrong places and as a result feel shame. Even worse, they now struggle with doubt that they even have a calling at all. Their lives are filled with the wrestlings of anxiety, fear, and fuss. So much fuss, so much unbelief, so much agenda, so much push... only to crumble in a pile of shame. Is there a secret to finding that great door of hope? Yes, there is.

The secret to resolving all the fuss and bust is in letting go. Yes, you have proven to yourself that any hope of a calling and function within My body is a total bust. Now let's begin again and change the bust to trust. Let your faith rise in ME. I am much bigger than all your failures and even as you lay down your future and agendas, I come in and grant you room. I DO have a place for you, My child. It is different than you think, it is also much better fitting. You DO have a calling and a function and all you have to do is let go and believe in Me... that I AM big enough to bring it to pass in My way, My will and My time.

I want to **change your P.U.S.H from People Under Stressful Humiliation, to Pray Until Something Happens**. In the end, you will look at the trail of your past and say, "No One but a Sovereign God could have brought me here!"

"So the children of Israel said to Samuel, "Do not cease to cry out to the LORD our God for us, that He may save us from the hand of the Philistines." (1 Sam 7:8 NKJV)

UPDATE CONFIRMATION 2/10/07 DO NOT STOP PRAYING

It was quickened to me that both these Words to Ponders are connected with the similar scriptures about praying.

1 Sam 7:8 NKJV

So the children of Israel said to Samuel, "**Do not cease to cry out to the LORD our God for us, that He may save us from the hand of the Philistines.**"

1 Sam 12:20-24 NKJV

Then Samuel said to the people, "Do not fear. You have done all this wickedness; yet do not turn aside from following the LORD, but serve the LORD with all your heart. 21 And do not turn aside; for then you would go after empty things which cannot profit or deliver, for they are nothing. 22 For the LORD will not forsake His people, for His great name's sake, because it has pleased the LORD to make you His people. 23 Moreover, **as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you; but I will teach you the good and the right way.**



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Oh, how great is Your goodness,  
Which You have laid up for those who fear You,  
Which You have prepared for those who trust in You.  
Ps 31:19 NKJV

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## Emerging Inspired Teachers

Posted by [ [taojin](#) ] Oct 3rd 2006 - 4:37PM Posts to date: 454

I have kept this message in my heart for quite a while, now I feel it is the time for me to release this message.

For the past couple of years, Lord prepared behind the scenes a company of inspired teachers for such a time like this. This company of inspired teachers has gone through a long period of training and discipline according to the agenda of the Lord; they finished their training and graduated. Isaiah 30: 20-21 and Isaiah 49:2 become a reality of their lives.

Although the Lord gives you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, your teachers will be hidden no more; with your own eyes you will see them. Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it." (Isaiah 30: 20-21)

"He made my mouth like a sharpened sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me into a polished arrow and concealed me in his quiver." (Isaiah 49: 2)

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Now they received a fresh anointing from the Lord in teaching the words of the Lord to His people, teaching them pure from profane. Their teaching will focus on the Lord Himself and will help bring His people to the way of the Lord, and help His people understand Lord's good, pure and perfect will. Their teaching will carry an anointing from the Lord, and people will be amazed at their teaching. "The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law." (Mark 1: 22).

I considered ancient Ezra a prototype or shadow for this emerging company.

"this Ezra came up from Babylon. He was a teacher well versed in the Law of Moses, which the LORD, the God of Israel, had given. The king had granted him everything he asked, for the hand of the LORD his God was on him." (Ezra 7: 7).

"For Ezra had devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the LORD, and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel." (Ezra 7: 10)

Like ancient Ezra, this company of emerging inspired teachers has devoted themselves to the study and observance of the words of the Lord, and has become well versed in the words of the Lord. Because of their delight on reading and keeping the words of the Lord, it caused them to find favor in the sight of the Lord and Lord's gracious hand is upon their lives. They are chosen and privileged to teach the word of the Lord to His people in such a time like this.

After ancient Ezra returned to Jerusalem from Babylon, he immediately entered into the role of teaching the decrees of the Lord to His people because those ancient Israel people who returned to Jerusalem badly need knew the laws, decrees and commandments of the Lord in order to live, increase and thrive in their promised land. Likewise many of God's people today have returned and started walking in the promises they received years ago from the Lord, they badly need know the words of the Lord to keep them walk in their promises.

We have entered into a new season of sword, we can expect that this company of people will start walking in the callings Lord has ordained for them and fulfill Lord's purposes in this season. Let's praise the Lord and give Him the entire honor, which is due to Him. He changes times and seasons, and He make everything beautiful in His timing.

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3: 16-17)

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth. (2 Timothy 2: 15)

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry. (2 Timothy 4: 1-5)

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Many waters cannot quench love,
Nor can the floods drown it.
Song 8:7 NKJV

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HE SPEAKS THROUGH TEACHERS

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Sept 4th 2005 - 11:54PM Posts to date: 3742

HE SPEAKS THROUGH TEACHERS AND THE GIFT OF TEACHING
{ Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him) }

Teaching is the ability to impart knowledge and understanding on a relevant basis. It clarifies the hidden things, bringing them into focus.

The teacher's position within the body is the pastor's right arm. He brings detailed understanding, in an overall manner, to concepts the Holy Spirit has taught. Teachers work in a smaller setting and have the opportunity to bring the intimacy of details to individual lives. The teacher is one who loves to study, research, and prepare specifics for presentation. He devotes the time it takes to bring a greater understanding of concepts the Holy Spirit is bringing to the flock. Teachers give details, bringing delight to others through offering the particulars. Jesus was a wonderful Teacher, using the details of the surrounding circumstances and environment to reveal the mysteries of God.

~~~~~ Teacher: Instructor. [1320 Gk Strong's] (1 Corinthians 12:28)

The Lord gives a teacher the gift to be able to communicate what he learns. Many times, when we hear the Lord through a teacher, there is a quickening of a little detail shared, maybe a definition, or an example that rings in our ears the rest of the day. The Lord delights to speak to us through the smallest, detailed gifts. Through the teacher, there is time for these intimate gifts of His Word to be planted in our hearts.

Paul warns "Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we shall incur a stricter judgment." (James 3:1 NASB) Like the other appointed gifts, the teachers are held accountable for how and what they teach His people. They are representatives of His message and need to act and teach accordingly.

However, in spite of this warning, the Lord needs people who are willing to become teachers. Many of you have been sitting on the sidelines with wonderful gifts yet untapped. The Lord needs you for His huge harvest. He has multitudes of children of all colors, shapes, sizes and age wanting to play with you! It's like a Mom who asks her son if he wants to watch the baseball game. He says, "Mom, I don't want to watch, I WANT TO PLAY!" She realizes she has slipped into the role of a watcher and not a player and is missing out in life because of it. If you have slipped into being a pew warmer, when the Holy Spirit nudges you, please consider getting into the game and sharing your life and time with others. "...The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth labourers into His harvest." (Luke 10:2 KJ)

- The Lord speaks through teachers by stimulating us to look at the details and apply them in a personal way.



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The Newborn Donkey Baby

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Aug 31st 2006 - 10:10AM Posts to date: 3742

RHEMA 11/5/00 A NEW BORN BABY

Today I birthed a teaching baby and a deliverance baby. I taught a 3 hour workshop on deliverance. I had perfect peace and it was amazing I was able to do this.

Something VERY funny occurred immediately before I started. One of our intercessors came up and told me that he had 2 vivid dreams last night. People are always telling me their dreams and wanting interps. A lot of time I just throw them out due to impurity. I asked him if it was bad, because if it was bad I did not want to hear it right before the class! He said he was not sure.

HIS DREAM: He saw a donkey and it went over on its side with its feet sticking out. There was a group of people all gathered around this donkey. Then he saw a womb. Then he saw a baby donkey pop out of the womb!!!!!! I was totally amazed, since last week one of our musicians from prayer meeting prophesied over me about Jesus' triumphant entry on a donkey. The donkey represents the lowly servant. The Lord is certainly funny.

HIS 2ND DREAM: He walked into a room that had operating computer equipment stacked from the floor to the ceiling, in one corner of the room, spreading out on both adjoining walls. There was a person sitting at a keyboard in front of this mass of computer equipment. He had the impression it was an operating center, extending outward to the world.

[I wondered if the Lord was saying that the baby would go on the Internet and teach people about deliverance.]

RHEMA 11/6/00 JUST BE NATURAL

HEARD: Keep in mind, this is merely a beginning.

PIX: Someone with a measuring tape, measuring the height, depth and width of a tree.

HEARD: It's the right size. She's ready. Perfect. My good job. I can't watch this. Just be natural. It's who you are, not what you are. Comes out in unusual ways. She's almost done.

RHEMA 12/17/00: WHAT YOU ARE

HEARD: I can go ahead. My day of refuge. A time to fly. To your place. Government. It shall be established. It's not who you are, but what you are... Mine. You belong to Me. For all that you have endured, for so long. My Beloved.



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Their souls shall be like  
a well-watered garden,  
And they shall sorrow  
no more at all....  
For I will turn their  
mourning to joy,  
Will comfort them,  
and make them rejoice  
rather than sorrow.

Jer 31:13 NKJV

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## God's Map is People

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Aug 30th 2006 - 9:51AM Posts to date: 3742

RHEMA 10/2/00 God's Map Coming Together

HEARD: Important. Ministry. Pictures of God's puzzles. Putting them together. God's people.

PIX: P E O P L E

[I saw these letters moving as though they were coming together.]

HEARD: I saw a map.

1 Cor 13:1 NKJV

For as the body is one and has many members , but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. 13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free — and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. 14 For in fact the body is not one member but many.

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If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body? 16 And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body," is it therefore not of the body? 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling? 18 But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. 19 And if they were all one member, where would the body be?

20 But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. 21 And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." 22 No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. 23 And those members of the body which we think to be less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor; and our unpresentable parts have greater modesty, 24 but our presentable parts have no need. But God composed the body, having given greater honor to that part which lacks it, 25 that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. 26 And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

27 Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually. 28 And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? 30 Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? 31 But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way.

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Eph 4:15-16 NKJV

...may grow up in all things into Him who is the head — Christ — 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.



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Spiritual Inoculations

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Aug 28th 2006 - 7:23PM Posts to date: 3742

RHEMA 5/13/00: ABIDE IN HIM AS YOU ARE INOCULATED

PIX: I saw the word, unbelief.

HEARD: Only one thing is necessary. Do you abide? Prayer. Hope filled church.

QUICKENED GLANCE: Graham Cooke newsletter: "It has taken me a long time to learn that God allows in His wisdom what He could easily prevent by His power."

REVELATION: HOW THE LORD USES OUR PAST TO REACH OTHERS

Wayne was speaking today about Loren Cunningham's tape where people in a certain country had roots predominantly in Islam. So now God is sending Christians from that nation to the Islamic nations. He said they had been inoculated because they had a small portion implanted in their lives, enough to recognize it and develop a resistance to it. This was strongly downloaded to me as a spiritual principle.

WORD TO PONDER SPIRITUAL INOCULATIONS 5/13/00

As you come to me and lay your life down before Me, I will use everything in your life and turn it for My good purposes. Even those places that you consider are the darkest blemish upon your life will be used. I will turn the darkness into a spiritual inoculation whereby I may send you as a protected vessel into the camp of the enemy and you will have already overcome and developed a strong spiritual resistance towards such. This triumph will be used in My glorious purposes to minister to those in like places and you will not only have the direct compassion and understanding of where others are, but you will also have the authority to deliver them from the kingdom of darkness into light.

Judg 7:9-11 NLT

During the night, the LORD said, "Get up! Go down into the Midianite camp, for I have given you victory over them! But if you are afraid to attack, go down to the camp with your servant Purah. Listen to what the Midianites are saying, and you will be greatly encouraged. Then you will be eager to attack."



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## Teachers, Teach Them HOW

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Aug 19th 2006 - 9:44AM Posts to date: 3742

### RHEMA 12/19/01 TEACH THEM HOW

**HEARD:** What's the purpose? Wisdom. Knowledge. Edification I feel like I am getting revelation I want to share. It's more than that. Teach them how. Watch it spread around the world. One tiny person, a gold star. Are you still doing it? Yep.

### WORD TO PONDER 12/19/01 TEACH THEM HOW

I am in need of teachers to share from the wealth of their gifts, experience, and knowledge. I shall anoint them with fresh revelation and fresh power to impart what they have learned into a new setting. These teachers will not just give My children the fish, but they will teach them how to fish. And they shall delight in the journey and not feel rushed in the process. They will equip My children with tools that will function for a lifetime of intimacy and fruitfulness in Me.

"He is the one who gave these gifts to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and

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build up the church, the body of Christ, until we come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature and full grown in the Lord, measuring up to the full stature of Christ." (Eph 4:11-13 NLT)

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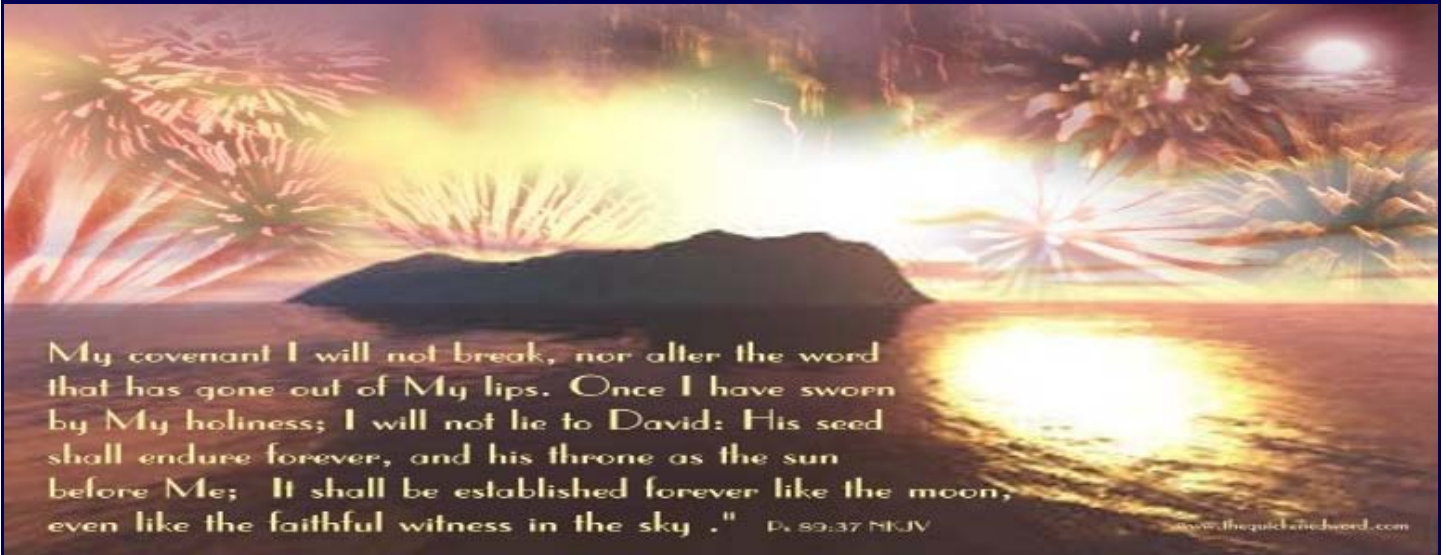
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My covenant I will not break, nor alter the word that has gone out of My lips. Once I have sworn by My holiness; I will not lie to David: His seed shall endure forever, and his throne as the sun before Me; It shall be established forever like the moon, even like the faithful witness in the sky ."
Ps. 89:37 NKJV

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Worms :o)

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] July 8th 2006 - 3:23PM Posts to date: 3742

QUICKENED PARABLE: This morning as we were driving to church Wayne said, "That bird just got a worm. Or did I mean Word?" I thought that quite prophetic since Bob Jones has said we were worms crawling around waiting to be metamorphosed.

Rom 12:2 NKJV

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.



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**Now there are different  
kinds of spiritual gifts,  
but it is the same Holy Spirit  
who is the source of them all.**

1 Cor 12:4 NLT

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## The gospel at the pace of walking

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] July 8th 2006 - 2:28PM Posts to date: 3742

**WAYNE'S WORD:** Today I woke frustrated with all the multitasking of trying to harvest rhema and juggling others things too.

As I got up from the computer thinking about all of this, Wayne said out of the blue, "The gospel at the pace of walking." I was amazed and he explained that it came to him that they did not have cars back then, and the gospel could only go as fast as their feet! That delighted me about our rhema and I was content to keep walking forward one foot in front of the other.



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Rain, Rain, Rain!

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Apr 25th 2006 - 2:0PM Posts to date: 3742



HEARD 2/01/06: Commitment. It's beginning to rain.

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2/05/06 We attended a conference where Mahesh Chavda delivered a corporate Word.

Mahesh website: <http://www.watchofthelord.com/>

Mahesh said that he felt the Lord told him that this year, 2006, would begin a special 100 year visitation, because He comes in various seasons or cycles, or periods of time. In context, Mahesh said that he believed we were going to have a re-visitation of the Azusa street revival from 1906, only this time it would be a double portion. As Mahesh asked the Lord to confirm him that he had understood correctly, the Lord brought him some interesting confirmations, as follows.

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In the spring of 2005, a headline read, "The 100 year Bloom." It was in Death Valley and was about the 100 year rain. They had so much rain that it brought out flowers from seeds that had not germinated in 100 years. This was due to the rains penetrating down into deeper layers before. This was particularly quickened to me because I have been constantly hearing the Lord tell me the Word "deeper" which I have tagged for 2006 and beyond.

Mahesh also mentioned a headline that read, "100 Year Snow." I don't remember where he saw that. I thought it was in the North Carolina area, but not sure.

Someone else mentioned that we had a 100 year rain. When my husband looked up the facts on the internet for Oregon, 1996 was actually the 100 year rain and that was the year the rivers flooded. If it had risen 11 more inches, our home would have been flooded. We live right at the mouth of where 2 rivers join. We received promises at that time to wait for the huge spiritual rain that would be coming.

Mahesh said that he felt Oregon would have a big part in the second Azusa revival.

The next day as I was in line at the conference to be prayed for by Mahesh, I heard the Lord say quite clearly to me, "Oregon, I will be with you." It impacted my spirit that this was His promise that He truly would re-visit us with His healing and deliverance in a massive wave that we have been standing for. He reminded me that Katheryn Kulman's roots were in Albany, and in our town too, and in other parts of Oregon. It was an encouragement to hang onto our promises and wait for the healing and restoration that He has said would come. In the mid 80's I had many, many visions of His rain coming as in the book of Acts. For those who would like to read that rhema, please see the following link.

For those of you interested in many prophetic Words given about this massive, double portion rain coming, please click on this 21 page file I compiled in the 90's:

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CONCLUSION

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{ Words to Ponder are summaries of His quickened Words of prophetic revelation, punched with the word of wisdom and written under inspiration. }

PAST WORDS TO PONDER ABOUT THE RAIN

RAIN 1991

Is My arm short that it would not extend to perform My Word? Behold, I will do it. The clouds are full and heavy laden... Suddenly, and all at once, a mighty downpour. My Spirit shall gush forth to those in waiting. I shall pour out My Spirit upon all flesh. Those whom I have prepared and am now drawing, shall receive My mighty anointing, and go forth as My touch. I will rain on you, and I will use you to rain on others.

Have you not read it? Have you not heard it? My early and latter rain will come suddenly... That which I have spoken in My Word shall come to pass. This rain has long been spoken of. Indeed, since time began I have prepared for this hour. I have long awaited this generation. Those whom I have prepared are prepared. You only await My filling, My Holy anointing. Do not say I AM weak and but a child. I delight in weak vessels. If you are willing, I choose you to fill. I will equip you with purpose and with gifts to go forth, to flow as water. You will be My arrow. - You will be My mighty arm extended. You will be the army of dry scattered bones, that only My resurrection power will make to stand. A flowing army; one arrayed for My purpose, for this hour.

Do not think "impossible" for I AM the Lord your God, and I do valiantly. Wait on Me, seek Me above all else. For when I rain, it will come in a mighty gush. Prepare even now. I have spoken it.

"...His going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth." (Hosea 6:3)

NEW DAY 7/23/91

Shout it from the house tops. Make merry and be glad! A new beginning do I declare. For your shame, you shall receive everlasting joy upon your heads. Rejoice, for I come to refresh.

Listen for the rain. Long I have waited to pour Myself out upon you. First the fire, then the rain. I held back until the fire did its cleansing work. As Elisha declared make this valley full of ditches in preparation for the coming water, so I declared righteousness and mercy must be sown through the breaking of fallow ground. Rejoice, oh meek ones! The preparation is complete. Your hearts are soft and I turn My face toward you.

I earnestly seek you. My heart is drawn toward you and I will draw your heart toward Me. This is not a work you can do in yourself. I alone do the drawing. Only be tender and soft to respond when I call. I shall woo your heart and place My longings within you. I will create in you a hunger for My Words. I have a hunger to hear you.

A new season is knocking on your door. Resurrection! Awake, oh sleeping ones. Open your ears and hear, open your eyes and see, open your heart and receive the resurrection of My Spirit within you. Awake, arise. Stand to your feet! Rejoice, for it is the dawning of a new day.

Mercy, mercy. Declare mercy to My people. The burning of the fire, the sifting of the plow, the dryness of famine, all shall be quenched as I pour Myself upon you. Your ground shall be settled and planted with the rains. I will confirm your way with the nearness of My Presence. Rejoice, My fair ones, for the drawing has begun.

"Behold I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth..." (Isaiah 43:19)



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Oh, how great is Your goodness,  
Which You have laid up for those who fear You,  
Which You have prepared for those who trust in You.  
Ps 31:19 NKJV

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## Heal the Steel

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] May 16th 2006 - 7:15PM Posts to date: 3742

PROPHETIC WORD 4/08/06: Pastor heard, "Heal the Steel" during the prayer room. The Lord has given me rhema in the past about the stony hearts like steel, being melted.

Ezek 11:19-20 NKJV

Then I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within them, and take the stony heart out of their flesh, and give them a heart of flesh.

Isa 48:3-5 NKJV

"I have declared the former things from the beginning; They went forth from My mouth, and I caused them to hear it. Suddenly I did them, and they came to pass. Because I knew that you were obstinate, And your neck was an iron sinew, And your brow bronze, Even from the beginning I have declared it to you; Before it came to pass I proclaimed it to you,

Ezek 36:25-28 NKJV

Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all

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your filthiness and from all your idols. 26 I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them. 28 Then you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; you shall be My people, and I will be your God.

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#### **FIRE AND STEEL 7/21/05**

I burn the dross and melt the steel of all that is cold and stiff, unyielding and hard when I try them in the fires of life. When tempered just right, I bring those places out of the fire and hammer them into symmetry. Balanced just right, boundaries are stretched for a greater expanse. I complete that which has been forged by plunging it into the cool refreshing waters of the Holy Spirit.

Generations are passing by fast. Build bridges from faith that will last. Not faith in empty words, but tested through walking. Being tried in the fire, not in vain empty talking. Each step you take is easier having forged a way past words that condemn. Not listening to doubt, unbelief or fear but, heeding My voice as I speak into your ear.

#### **Dan 3:25 NKJV**

"Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

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#### **WORD TO PONDER: HEAL THE STEEL 4/08/06**

After having been through the heat, those places that were unbending in your life, the mind-sets, the opinions and wrong assumptions, they are now soft, pliable and yielded. I will heal you from your fires and re-shape your boundaries to fit My purposes in your life. Remain open and pliable and willing. Remain flexible and compliant and yielded to My voice. Do not harden your heart again, but stay soft and tender and allow My Words to penetrate and I will keep you warm and flexible to follow My voice.

#### **Ezek 11:19-20 NKJV**

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My covenant I will not break, nor alter the word that has gone out of My lips. Once I have sworn by My holiness; I will not lie to David: His seed shall endure forever, and his throne as the sun before Me; It shall be established forever like the moon, even like the faithful witness in the sky .'' Ps. 89:37 NKJV

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## HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF GIVING

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Sept 5th 2005 - 0:12AM Posts to date: 3742

### HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF GIVING

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

The gift of giving is the motivation to meet physical, financial, material, and spiritual needs:

~~~~~ Giving: To give over, share, impart. {Also translated contribute}. [3330 GK Strong's]

Physical: Luke 10:33-35

Financial: Acts 4: 34-36

Material: Luke 3:11

Spiritual: Romans 1:11

The Word says, "Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them...do not sound a trumpet before you...But when you do a charitable deed, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing: that your charitable deed may be in secret:

and your Father who sees in secret will Himself reward you openly." (Matthew 6:1-4 NKJV)

I am reminded of one particular lady who has always been a "giver." When she was affluent, she gave of her finances and gave an over abundance of expensive gifts to those around her. Then when difficult times came, (one time I found out her family had lived on potatoes for a week) she continued to give cards, a quick phone call, and hand made articles. When even harder times came, and she was out of work, she gave of her life's energy and helped clean, organize and paint a sickly person's home. Why did she do this? Because the gift to give was deeply entrenched in her heart. It was the most natural thing in the world to give of her substance, and when that was too small, she gave her labor. Her gift to give is an extension of the Lord's generous heart.

The best kind of giving is not with outward flashy show, but rather with humility as this gives grace and dignity to the one who receives. It also restrains pride in the giver.

A giver is to give without strings attached. Giving without expectation of anything in return will release the giver to give abundantly and with joy. If the giver has expectations of receiving, this road will lead to disappointment, unforgiveness, grudges, and finally bitterness. Expectations also hinder and restrain the receiver from the joy of receiving. Instead, the receiver is given chains and locks when the gift was meant to be a blessing.

- The gift of giving is the substance carried in Jesus' hand. Next time someone imparts something to you, listen to the Lord's heart and purpose for giving it to you. He rejoices in being your Provider, and is so blessed when you tell Him, "Thank you."



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## TEAM SERMON :)

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] May 7th 2006 - 10:54AM Posts to date: 3742

### RHEMA 4/20/03 EASTER SERMON

**EXPERIENCE:** I was asked to share today at church. When I drove up, there was a joy bubble floating in the wind that went past my car!

I was asked to speak since pastor was gone. I managed to get through it OK. The best part was that in my prayer I had asked the Lord to inspire creative things in people's minds as they listened, not really by what I said, but by His Spirit. When I (thought I'd) finished, I asked someone to read a final Psalms outloud and said then I was done. So someone did and people just kind of sat thinking or something. I was a little nervous at that. Then someone piped up a little story about her daughter. Then another said a little story about an assignment at LCC, then another shared about what he saw on his truck route... and SUDDENLY I REALIZED these all had a theme about foundations and I realized I had forgotten to do the last paragraph of my sermonette which was summing up the reasons for the sermon. Point number 3 was that He was inspecting our foundations and all the testimonies were about foundations!!!! 😊

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So the Lord HAD inspired each thought and it went perfectly with the sermon. I then shared the finish of the sermon and was tickled that the Holy Spirit had orchestrated all this. Then this AM I woke and found PonderWord had come out and it was about Foundations. I place PonderWords on line a couple months before they go out, so I have no idea what is coming or when. That was cool.

**CONFIRMATION:**  
**REMEMBER YOUR FOUNDATIONS**  
Sandy Warner  
Apr 21, 2003

**REMEMBER YOUR FOUNDATIONS**

My delivering power is prepared to release you through My favor and My grace. You shall experience a lengthy season of great grace and your pain of delay shall become a mere wisp of memory. What I delivered you from will never be forgotten, but you will forget the depth of the pain. You learned many valuable lessons in those years of delay. As you move onto better days, do not forget your foundations in Me.

One, remember that in your weakness, you learned the habit of leaning upon Me for your strength. Two, you now know Who is Boss in your life. You learned it is always better to be self disciplined, then God disciplined. Yet, either way you have known My everlasting mercy and kindness that set you free from yourself. So rejoice, as you finally witness the season change in your life, and you begin to open like the flower in the spring from a long cold winter of trials and testings.

"I used to wander off until you disciplined me; but now I closely follow your word. You are good and do only good; teach me your principles." (Ps 119:67-68 NLT)



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Leaning Stones

Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Mar 26th 2006 - 8:43PM Posts to date: 3742



SANDY RHEMA 3/22/06 LEANING STONES

Today Wayne told me of his prayer that the Lord would give us grace to lean on one-another. He was speaking of that fact that we are two weak vessels and most days it is as though we are 2 half people making one whole person. He said that the picture he got was like 2 huge wedge like stones leaning on one another, forming an arch. I immediately thought of keystones at the center of a bridge taking the centered pressure from all the other stones set into place. It is the leaning of each stone that brings the strength of the bridge to be able to bare much weight.

UPDATE SANDY RHEMA 3/25/06

HEARD: I will help you through this transition. Bridge. Coming through to the other side. I am helping you see things.

I'm angry with you. Nothing could be further than the truth. This is condemnation, pure and simple. I am in need of you.

Separated. Divided. No. One accord. Unity. Gently, I need her. Turned on the juice. I am a mess. It just seems like it. You are really quite stable. I have a hold of you. Raise up a deliverer from among you. She's the one we want. She has held up my hands, I will hold up hers.

WORD TO PONDER: LEANING STONES 3/22/06

I have set you into place, My keystones, you who are bearing much weight. So much pressure you bear as you have yielded to the straight and narrow. Willing and yielded, yet strong and unbending as you simply wait on Me. How dear your hearts are to Me, you who have formed My bridge for those who would cross over your backs! Waiting on Me, determined not to shift your faith, every moment counted as a precious breath as you live to sustain another who leans and presses in along side. Deliverers, I have raised up deliverers who bear another generation forward into their destiny.

Eccl 4:9 - 12 NKJV

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor. For if they fall, one will lift up his companion. But woe to him who is alone when he falls, for he has no one to help him up. Again, if two lie down together, they will keep warm; But how can one be warm alone? Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him. and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

UPDATE CONFIRMATION: 3/25/06 Tonight at church I saw a vision where I was crawling along the stone bridge inspecting cracks. Then I laid spread eagle on my stomach and stretched my arms out over the stones. I had such love, longing and yearning for these, it was

like I was hugging these stones. Prior to that in the prayer room I was praying that the Lord place the burnt stones, the broken stones and the displaced stones into place along the wall. There are many intercessors waiting on God and forming this bridge.

Ezek 16:8 NKJV

"When I passed by you again and looked upon you, indeed your time was the time of love; so I spread My wing over you and covered your nakedness. Yes, I swore an oath to you and entered into a covenant with you, and you became Mine," says the Lord GOD.



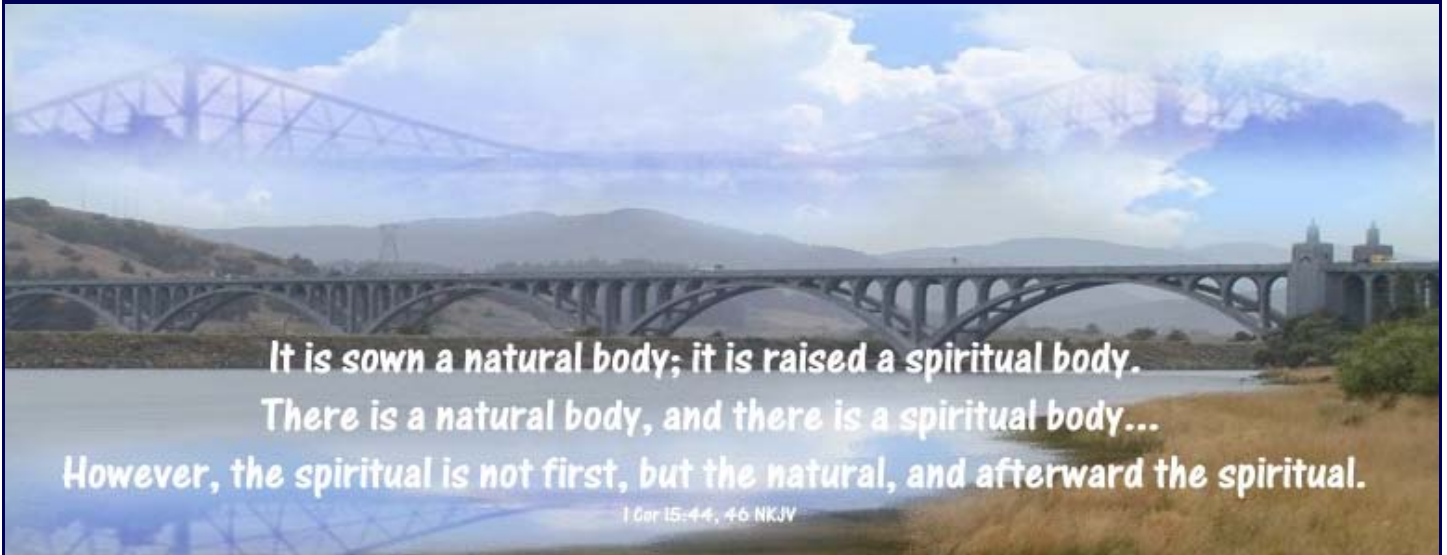
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**It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body.**

**There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body...**

**However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual.**

1 Cor 15:44, 46 NKJV

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## HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF SERVICE

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Sept 5th 2005 - 0:14AM Posts to date: 3742

### HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF SERVICE

{ Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him) }

This gift of service (ministry) is the ability to see and do the things that are necessary. It gives assistance and meets practical needs.

~~~~~ Ministry: { Some translations say service }; Attendance (as a servant), aid, service, minister, office, relief. [1248 Gk Strong's] (Acts 6:1-7)

This gift can be likened unto a waitress in a restaurant. A good waitress oversees her tables, foreseeing needs before they occur. Being quick to respond to the task, she also asks if anyone needs anything she might have overlooked.

People who have the gift of service enjoy doing the nitty-gritty things, being practical and down-to-earth. Their ministry is a gift to people in physical need. They also liberate others to

be able to stay in the realm of prayer and ministry of the Word. Because those with the gift of service feel great zeal and satisfaction in giving their gift, they need to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit if He should desire to say no. It could be the Lord's will for the needy person to receive in another way, at another time. Also the giver's own family should not be neglected. It should be considered that people with the gift of service often suffer burnout because the human body is vulnerable and weak. A proper assessment of the gift, how it is to be given and how much to give, needs to be in balance, always in accordance with His will.

I know a precious gal who has the gift of service. She has a true servant's heart. I sat beside her during a service and because it was going to be an especially long one, I'd brought my little step stool to rest my feet upon and some water to drink. When I arrived, I placed my things under my chair, and went off to visit. Finally I sat down at my chair and she made sure my stool was right there, and my water was accessible. I mentioned that she had the gift of service, and I'm not sure what she thought. A little while later the guest speaker needed a glass of water. Guess who jumped from her seat so fast that no one else had time to even think about it? I laughed and said "SEE???" She looked surprised as though to say, "Well maybe I do at that." Then during one particular time I got a little teary. It took about 2 seconds and she had a Kleenex in my hands. I said, "SEEEEEEE?????????" I think she finally agreed. The point to this story is that her gift is so imbedded inside that it is merely an extension of her personality. That is the true nature of having Jesus inside us. Much of what we have to give seems like just our normal personalities, but it really is Jesus. We can see how out of the ordinary this precious gal's heart is, but she had a difficult time visualizing it. May the Lord open our eyes to our own gifts and to the beautiful gifts of others. May we see Jesus.

- Within Jesus' body of believers, the gifts of service are His hands and feet. A gift cannot be appreciated unless it is received. Next time your arms are full and someone opens a door for you, consider that it may be the Lord reaching out to you. He so desires to lighten your load.



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Many waters cannot quench love,  
Nor can the floods drown it.  
Song 8:7 NKJV

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## THE GIFT OF HOSPITALITY

Posted by [ [swauthor](#) ] Sept 5th 2005 - 0:13AM Posts to date: 3742

### HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF HOSPITALITY

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. (1 Peter 4:9 and 10 NKJV)

Along the same lines of the gift of service is the gift of hospitality.

~~~~~ Hospitality: hospitable, fond of guests. From a word meaning to be friendly to one. [5382 Gk Strong's from 5384]

The above verse says for everyone to be hospitable. However there are those who are gifted with this, and have a special yearning to open their home and provide a warm welcome for those in need of lodging. I have often been in the homes of these people who are the first to recognize your need and make their resources available.

• The Lord speaks to us through these people by saying, "Even though I have called you to be like strangers in a foreign land, I will provide all your needs as You trust in Me."



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*Jesus Christ is the Way, the Truth, the Life ... and He died for you.*

*And Moses placed the rods  
before the Lord  
in the tabernacle of witness....  
and behold, the rod of Aaron ...  
sprouted and put forth buds,  
had produced blossoms  
and yielded ripe almonds*

*Num 17:7-8 NKJV*

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### THE GIFT OF EXHORTATION

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#### HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF EXHORTATION

{ Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him) }

Rom 12:8

He who exhorts, in exhortation

~~~~~ Exhortation: Imploration, solace, comfort, consolation, exhortation, entreaty. From a word meaning to invite, call near, invoke, implore, beseech, desire, entreat, etc. [3874 Gk Strong's from 3870] (1 Thessalonians 4:1)

The gift of exhortation is the ability to inspire someone to move forward from the past. It can touch a heart to begin again and move into action. It gives hope and encouragement to see beyond the difficulties and onto a brighter future.

I know a special lady who has a vivacious personality, and loves to talk to people. Throughout

the years she's had a "ministry" to people who are sick. Visiting often, calling and sending cheer, she has been a real uplift to many people. Whether she has ever thought of it as a ministry, I do not know. My guess is that she just considers it a part of her own personality and natural life. But it is obvious that her gift of cheer is God-given and is a wonderful uplift.

For some, this gift needs the balance of patience. An exhorter has the ability to foresee the desired result and is greatly motivated towards helping one obtain it. His zeal is so fervent he needs patience to slow down to the pace of the downhearted one. Someone having this wonderful gift to encourage and motivate others may often seem insensitive to the pain of the moment, being misconstrued as a lack of compassion. Yet, the Holy Spirit has so touched the one who has the gift to exhort, there is great motivation to do something about it.

- The gift of exhortation within Jesus' body is His heart, saying, "I believe in you." Next time someone reaches out with a smiling touch of words, listen for the Lord's great zealous heart to motivate you away from the "mully-grubs." Understand that He waits to see your tear sparkled eye look up and say, "OK Lord, I dare to try again."

[end quote}

I have noticed that there seems to be more men with the gift of exhortation and more women with the gift of comfort. The gift of exhortation is powerfully displayed through passionate preachers with strong invitations to receive and change. The gift of comfort is powerfully displayed through prophesying.

I have also noticed that these may be natural gender giftings. Men tend to be passionate about fixing things and finding answers to problems. They conquer the problem. Their way to comfort is to exhort someone to change. Women tend to talk out their troubles as a way of finding comfort. They need to be heard, and understood. They gather together over the problem. Both feel passionate about lifting another up, but the methods for these approaches is different and often the motives for these approaches are misunderstood.



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Now there are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but it is the same Holy Spirit who is the source of them all.

1 Cor 12:4 NLT

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Posted by [[swauthor](#)] Sept 5th 2005 - 0:12AM Posts to date: 3742

HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF RULING

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

The gift to rule is similar to owning a business, but not necessarily working at the business location. This has the proficiency to chart a plan of action to sustain the business, but not necessarily the one to carry it out. He relies upon others to function and accomplish his plan.

~~~~~ Ruling: To stand before, to preside, practice, maintain, be over, rule. {Also translated aid, superintend, lead, leadership.} [4291 Gk Strong's] (Acts 9:15)

The gift to rule has the ability to see the overall whole of where something or someone is going. I know a man who has this gift. He has the ability to see trends coming and going from a long way off, in people's lives, in politics, in spiritual issues, in the market place, and most any place in life. He always has had a unique ability to collect facts from miscellaneous places,

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and come up with something profound. He seems to collect it all, rolls it around a while, then comes up with a punch-line that grips the heart with understanding. It's as though his brain is this huge melting pot of interesting sources of information, then when the Lord would like to make something out of the melted glob, out pops the gift.

- The gift to rule within Jesus' body is like having the mind of Christ. Next time someone gives you an insight of an overall trend, or perhaps purpose, listen, for it may very well be a gift from the Master. He is the Master Planner and receives great satisfaction in sharing His secrets. It is a double pleasure when we recognize Him as the Source.



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upon you, and give you peace.**

Num 6:25-26 NKJV

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HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF MERCY

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

One with the gift of mercy has the yearning to give kindness, love and tenderness to the downtrodden. This brings needed comfort, understanding, and sensitivity.

~~~~~ Mercy: Compassionate, pity, mercy, tender. [1653 Gk Strong's] (1 Timothy 1:13)

I experienced Anna's and the Lord's gift of mercy in an unusual way. One day I awakened particularly discouraged. It was so strong I called her and asked for her prayers. I had no idea how strong her mother's heart had been activated for battle. All day long she prayed and frequently bound the spiritual harassment of hopelessness and discouragement. She also asked that her "baby girl" (middle aged!) be given back her joy. While she was standing in line at Fred Meyers and still praying under her breath, someone said, "My baby girl." She knew it

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was the quickened voice of the Lord to her, that He had sent help and answered her prayers.

Meanwhile, I had been so caught up in my work I had completely forgotten I'd asked her for prayer. As I was working, all of a sudden I felt the Lord's comforting Presence very close. I had wonderful goose bumps, quickening, refreshing touches and because of His close Presence I fell into spontaneous worship while I was working at the computer. I was thrilled and continued working. Then all of a sudden it happened again. Then again! About this time, I said, "Lord I've missed Your refreshing Presence so much! How wonderful, and where have You been?" His touches came in wave after wave for about 4 hours. I was truly blessed.

At 5 🙄 P.M. Anna called and asked, "Did the angels show up yet?" She said she had been bombarding heaven, taking authority and really praying for me all day. I was very grateful, so touched by this love and mercy for my downtrodden feelings! This was "mercy" in action, and also an amazing confirmation to me of the power of prayer and it really encouraged me to pray more!

- The gift of mercy is the tender place within the body of Christ. Next time someone reaches out to you with a prayer or a kind word of understanding, you can know the Lord's heart is yearning to touch your downhearted places. Minister to His yearnings, and reach out to Him by saying, "Thank you Lord." He feels your pain and so desires for you to receive His mercy.



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HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF HELPS

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HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF HELPS

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The gift of helps is the ability to render assistance, (spiritual, physical, etc.). It is that place that works along side of another, like participating on a team laboring together for a common cause.

~~~~~ Helps: Relief. From a word meaning relief, succor, participate, help, partaker, support. [484 Gk from 482 Strong's] (Ex 4:14-16)

I saw a precious example of this in the hiring of the disabled. One day my husband and I stopped into a fast food restaurant for lunch. The gal who took our order was ssssoooooo slow. I observed her, wondering what age she was, and thinking she had an extremely precious spirit. I was surprised to see her at the front counter taking orders, especially at the

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noon rush. As she finally punched in the order and called it out back, I saw the little smiles on the sandwich makers, and I also saw the manager's grin as she peeked around her shoulder. From the back I heard, "Way to go Lori!!" She lit up like a light bulb with a huge smile. She put her hands in the air and said, "YES!!!" I laughed with her and asked, "Is this your first week?" She said, "I am really learning. I am learning really good. I am really learning this, and this is my 3rd week!" I was so touched by her innocence and pure spirit.

As I looked for a clean table, which is difficult to find during a rush, I immediately noticed that every empty table was spotless. I arranged our things and waited for my husband to bring our order. As I waited, I watched the cleanup gal. She moved so slow it was like watching everything in slow motion. She went from here to there, in no particular order, polishing things with her rag. As I was marveling at the fact this fast food franchise would hire these people at rush hour, I saw the true beauty of how each person's gift in the body of Christ is supposed to function. This precious cleaning lady did her job well, and I knew she was fulfilled in doing it. Someone else might really be stressed and unhappy doing it, but she was content. As I thought this, she wandered to the garbage can lid and started polishing it! (How many fast food restaurants have clean garbage can lids during rush?) Just then another person came out with his broom and swept a little place in back, then disappeared. And last, when the order arrived, a girl carefully read the number on the ticket, and announced it with obvious care. (How many times have you heard someone call out your number as though it was the most important number in the world?) I was so touched by this portrayal of kingdom ministry working in harmony and in a loving atmosphere.

- The gift of helps links arms with others. Next time someone joins and aids you in a common purpose, consider it the Lord helping you in your task. He loves it when we value His gifts to us.



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HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE GIFT OF GOVERNMENTS

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

The gift of governments is the ability to administer a plan.

~~~~~ Governments: Steer, pilot, direct, govern. {Also translated administration}. [2941 Gk Strong's] (Exodus 18:18-26)

The one with this gift of administration is like a manager who follows the direction of the one with the gift to rule. He shares the burden of that one who has the master plan, facilitating all the details.

The best gift of a manager is to find the most efficient way to delegate the operations to get the job done. However, I have noticed both in the business world and nonprofit organizations, that a good portion of managers work long, hard hours. Some of this is because of cutbacks

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and the streamlining of larger organizations, but some of it is because the managers have the tendency to do it all themselves. These managers are intelligent, have people skills, office skills, and jack-of-all-trade skills, and it is difficult for them to let go because it is faster and more organized to do it themselves! They want to delegate, but seeing the drain it would take to train others, they do it instead and consequently these people are working 50, 60, 70+ hours a week. It's the same with mothers who have the gift of administration. They are so organized and efficient, their children simply fall in line and take little responsibility in the family. The mother carries the whole load.

The way out for these poor overworked people with the gift of administration is to learn how to facilitate the resources available: people's skills and availability. Then perhaps the manager could restructure the job assignments to better fit the people, and better fit the overall goal. In the end, this relieves the manager so that he may facilitate the workers towards the goal instead of becoming buried in the details.

- The gift of administration has the ability to see the need and dispatch others to fix it. He organizes and facilitates towards an overall goal. We can see the Lord's heartbeat surge through His body when His administrator dispatches life to all the cells. Next time you rub shoulders with an administrator, hear the strength of the Lord's pounding heart to reach the goal of delivering life. His power is mighty, and His flow is strong.



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*And Moses placed the rods
before the Lord
in the tabernacle of witness....
and behold, the rod of Aaron ...
sprouted and put forth buds,
had produced blossoms
and yielded ripe almonds*

Num 17:7-8 NKJV

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"Listen to your father who begot you, And do not despise your mother when she is old. Buy the truth, and do not sell it, Also wisdom and instruction and understanding." (Proverbs 23: 22-23 NKJV)

Sitting in a mall I was watching toddlers play in a central playground area. Their little muscles and mouths were going 90 miles an hour — not a still moment in the whole group. Their exhausted parents and grandparents were sitting on the benches patiently (and not so patiently) settling squabbles and kissing owies. Meanwhile, the toddlers were running in every direction. I was exhausted just watching it all and thinking how nice it would be to have that much energy!

That set my mind to thinking about how we are born with a bank account of so much energy and by the time we are seniors we've spent most of it. Then I started thinking about how much life changes for the older ones, where pieces of life fall away and life's priorities change. Have you ever noticed that most the seniors don't have great worldly ambitions in which they pour their every waking moment? What matters most to them is people — sitting at the feet of others and enjoying conversation and relationships. Seniors love loving.

Jesus said love was to be everyone's priority — love the Lord with all our hearts and love others as we love ourselves. That's all. He didn't say we had to accomplish anything, merely love. So why do we have to wait till we've spent most of our bank account of energy to get our priorities straight?

That day on the bench as I watched the older ones watch the children, I also thought that it was a parable of how we grow up in our relationships with the Lord. We start out so full of our own pursuits in serving the Lord. Our lives are filled with activities based around Him. The more mature we become, the less ambitious we become in our own pursuits. Spending time with Him is what matters most and we are content to sit at His feet and just enjoy Him.

- When the Lord speaks to me through a senior citizen, He says, "You are what matters most in My life, and I want to be with you!"



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### HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE INTERCESSORS

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"Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." (Romans 8:26 KJ)

When it comes to deep intercession, there is a place in God that few of the body of Christ know exist. This is a place beyond the bless-me prayers where an empty vessel becomes filled with God's life pulsing heart for His people. These sacrificial people spend hours in prayer, not minutes. They long for God's Presence, His help, His touch, and are literally praying His kingdom to earth. The Lord deposits a portion of His burdens upon them and He uses them as vessels to bring to birth that which He wants to bring forth on earth.

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In these last days, it is not unusual for intercessors to be touched in a physical manner with various expressions of groaning and crying. Regardless of gender, their "womb" area may actually contract and bear down as though a woman in travail. "Ask now, and see, Whether a man is ever in labor with child? So why do I see every man with his hands on his loins Like a woman in labor, And all faces turned pale?" (Jeremiah 30:6 NKJV) In the contracting process, some may even groan as though pushing forth a baby.

Other intercessory actions may be like signs communicating God's Word. For instance, one lady who had been a faithful and devout church attendee for over 30 years suddenly stood up in a service and crowed like a rooster. The pastor respected this devout and normally quiet lady, but was shocked and asked her after the meeting why she did that. She sincerely said that the Holy Spirit had impressed her to crow like a rooster as a sign to the congregation that it was time to wake up from spiritual slumber, because the Lord was birthing a new day!

I was in a meeting when there was a sudden pause during worship with a total hush in the congregation. I heard the Lord whisper to me, "Get ready, here it comes!" Then immediately a shy intercessor sitting next to me sang forth as loud as she could, the sound of a trumpet announcement, like a fanfare. Signs like these are a signal that the whole earth is preparing for the birth of what the Lord is bringing forth in these last days.

I heard a testimony about a man who was disturbed seeing these kind of things happen in his meetings and asked the Lord what was going on. Then he heard a panther scream in his bedroom. With his hair standing on end, he finally realized it happened in the spirit and asked the Lord, "What was that for?" The Lord told Him that all of creation was groaning for what He was bringing forth:

"For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now." (Romans 8: 19-23 NASB)

- When the Lord speaks through an intercessor, He is saying, "I have placed My heart and My Word as a deposit in this person's life. Listen to what My Spirit is crying!"



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shine upon you,
And be gracious to you;
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Num 6:25-26 NKJV

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HE SPEAKS THROUGH MISSIONARIES

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HE SPEAKS THROUGH MISSIONARIES

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"...and not only this, but he has also been appointed by the churches to travel with us in this gracious work, which is being administered by us for the glory of the Lord Himself..." (2 Corinthians 8: 19 NASB)

Missionaries are pastors in a foreign land. They have left the comforts of their own homes and family and chosen to adopt God's children of another land. The Lord has gifted them with the ability to learn a foreign language and culture. They have learned to be flexible in such surroundings and trust the Lord for their supplies.

I heard of a missionary wife who was having a difficult time explaining how Jesus was nailed to a cross, for the people did not understand what a nail was, never having seen one. She

happened to open a can of peaches sent from home, and inside was a rusty nail. The Lord provides in mysterious ways. The missionaries are often the first ones to see Him provide in these unusual yet tangible ways.

- When we hear the Lord through a missionary, we hear Him say, "I care enough to reach you at your own level of life, and I care enough to live among you, My people."



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**Now there are different  
kinds of spiritual gifts,  
but it is the same Holy Spirit  
who is the source of them all.**

1 Cor 12:4 NLT

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## HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE APPOINTED GIFTS

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### HE SPEAKS THROUGH THE APPOINTED GIFTS

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"And His gifts were {varied; He Himself appointed and gave men to us,} some to be apostles (special messengers), some prophets (inspired preachers and expounders), some evangelists (preachers of the Gospel, traveling missionaries), some pastors (shepherds of His flock) and teachers." (Ephesians 4:11 AMP)

Each appointed gift has been called, chosen and empowered by God to equip and perfect the saints to do the work of the ministry of building up His body. The appointed gifts are given for the repairing, furnishing and building the members toward wholeness. "...until we all attain oneness in the faith and in the comprehension of the full and accurate knowledge of the Son of God; that {we might arrive} at really mature manhood - the completeness of personality which is nothing less than the standard height of Christ's own perfection - the measure of the stature of the fullness of the Christ, and the completeness found in Him." (Ephesians 4:13)

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~~~~~ Perfecting: Complete furnishing. It's from a word meaning to complete thoroughly, repair, adjust, fit, frame, mend, make perfect, prepare, restore. [2677 Gk Strong's from 2675] (Ephesians 4:12)

The focus of this verse and the purpose for the appointed gifts is Jesus Christ. There are many sermons, teachings, doctrines and precepts that can be found in the Bible, but they are not meant to be the focus. The Old and New Testament both point to one mark: Jesus Christ. Biblically accurate sermons and teachings are not wood, hay, and stubble. However when they do not place the people's heart and focus on relationship with Jesus Christ, and becoming LIKE HIM, they only clutter our focus.

Leaders need to reevaluate on a continuing basis what is taught and why it is taught. This will give needed adjustments, as sometimes a joint pops out of place.



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Oh, how great is Your goodness,  
Which You have laid up for those who fear You,  
Which You have prepared for those who trust in You.  
Ps 31:19 NKJV

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The apostles are sent as God's messengers. They are like pioneers, breaking ground for new territory not yet possessed.

~~~~~ Apostle: He that is sent, a delegate, a commissioner, ambassador. [652 Gk Strong's] Webster's states a delegate is a "representative, or a person acting for another."

Receiving their direction and message straight from God, places them in the front line of courage to give forth His message. They face the obstacles of blazing a path at the very beginning of their mission. Public opinion and the inflexibility of people to venture into new territory are obstructions against the mission. Nevertheless, because they are sent by God, they are given the grace to stand and bring forth God's message.

Paul was a good example of this. Until Paul, the disciples were sent to the Jewish people. But the Lord wanted salvation for the Gentiles so He commissioned Paul. Paul broke new territory and not only had public opinion to overcome, but the mindset of the previous apostles.

Likewise, the other apostles had the mindset of the Jewish faith to overcome, as Jesus fulfilled the law and started a new era of salvation through faith in Him rather than in Jewish laws. And again even after he had preached Jesus, Peter was reminded by the Lord that eating Kosher was no longer necessary. People's mindset is a major obstacle in being on the front lines of introducing new territory.

- Hearing the Lord through apostles, is hearing a portion of His message, His nature, and His character. The gift they offer the body of Christ is God's agenda. The apostle says: "God is going somewhere, let's put away our mindset and join Him!"



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### HE SPEAKS THROUGH EVANGELISTS

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The evangelist's gift is to communicate salvation in relevant terms to the lost. His gift is being Jesus' mouth. The Lord sends him as His trumpet to the lost world. He announces the great joy of salvation to those who will receive.

~~~~~ Evangelist: One who announces good, declares, brings glad tidings, preaches. [2097 Gk Strong's]

The Lord calls the evangelist to be a kind of intercessor for the lost. He will feel the groaning and yearning of the Lord's heart to reach the lost ones. The evangelist will be touched with their cries of loss, and the Lord's cries for His lost sheep. His prayers are filled with the desire that salvation be sent to those he loves. He is given that part of God's heart which has a great

zeal for souls.

The evangelist recognizes there is a fullness of time for each individual to come to the Father, and speaks relevant words to those who are being drawn by Him. The evangelist's words are empty without the drawing power of the Father. Jesus said, "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him." (John 6:44 NKJV) The Lord knows the conditions of hearts and will not draw a hardened heart who is stubborn in his own ways, until He knows it is the fullness of time for that heart to melt.

The story of the prodigal son (Luke 15:11) describes much of the Father's heart toward the lost. In the fullness of time for the son to return home, the Father (looking for his son in the distance) ran to his side, greeted and kissed him. The ring, the robe, the fatted calf were his welcome home gifts so freely bestowed. The allegory of the ring is like a "promotion" of placement and assignment within the Father's household. The robe is the Father's "endowment" or mantle of authority. And the fatted calf is the spiritual meat provided for the son to celebrate new beginnings. The evangelist gives these good gifts as the Father's enfolding welcome home.

- When we know the Lord through the gift of evangelism, we understand His great zeal and effort to go forth and seek the lost. The evangelist's home is where the lost are found. He travels far and wide to give His good news. Through an evangelist, the Lord calls, invites, and encourages lost ones to hope and believe in starting a new life.



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### HE SPEAKS THROUGH PASTORS

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The pastor lives along side of and with his sheep, watching over them with God's care. He nurtures them into an abundant life. They need healing, feeding, protection and guidance.

~~~~~ Pastor: Shepherd. [750 Gk Strong's] Pastor; To tend a flock, pasture it, to graze, rule, associate with (as a friend), companion, feed, keep, shepherd, etc. [7462 Heb Strong's]

Of all the appointed gifts, the pastor has the greatest variety of responsibilities. A pastor is similar to a shepherd who looks over all the sheep in his care, and becomes a nurturing father to them. He is their friend. In family life when a father's child has an "owie," the father takes great care to fix it properly, down to the last detail. If his child runs away from home, he does all he can to find his loved one. If the child is hungry, he gives forth a banquet from his heart. If the child is hungry, sick, or lost, his dad does not impose strict rules upon him, pressuring

him to comply to rules and help with household tasks. Likewise, the nurturing shepherd is like the "dad" to his flock.

When a pastor bares his heart and becomes vulnerable to those he loves, he becomes one with them, living among, and identifying with their personal lives. With a closeness established he can be there to restore, feed, guide, and protect His own. The pastors are the heart of the body of Christ. "Jesus said ...I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you." (John 15:15 KJ) Is a pastor to be any less to his sheep?

I was so touched by hearing a story in a radio sermon. The Lord told me years ago He was going to raise a new crop of nurturing shepherds, who were willing to truly nurture His sheep. Because of knowing this, I was particularly interested in this living example of the true heart and role model of what the Lord's pastor should be. The pastor said he was just getting on an airplane to go home from a conference when a lady started crying as he approached. He recognized her as having been in his congregation years earlier when she lived in his town. It turned out she was crying with relief because she knew help had arrived! She had been nervous about her six year old son flying all by himself and now she knew he would be safely guarded by her former pastor. So they made special arrangements for him to sit by her son during the flight.

On the flight, they played army with tanks and men, colored pictures and shared stories. He said it was the best plane flight he'd ever had. I was so deeply touched by this. He mentioned how tired of flying he had become. But this time he got to enjoy it through the boy's eyes of his first experience in flying. The boy was absolutely thrilled.

Besides the beauty of this man's willing heart to love a child, I thought his experience was also an allegory of the nurturing fathers enjoying the experience of those taking their first flight of faith in accepting Jesus as their Savior.

Visiting a church in another town, I witnessed a sight I will never forget. The pastor asked for a few minutes of testimonies. After a few were shared, a young fellow with long dirty hair, dressed in tattered clothing stood up in the back row. All he said was, "I have been away for a long time and I have come back to Jesus." The pastor, dressed in Sunday clothes, said nothing. There was a hush as he stepped away from the podium, and took the long walk down the aisle. When he approached the young man he threw his arms around this man and said, "Welcome home, my dear brother." I still get teary when I think of it.

- The most important gift the pastor has to give to his flock is his heart. When a dad becomes a friend to his family his children come home. When we hear the Lord through a pastor, we hear His Father's heart towards us.



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### ALLEGORY OF THE BODY'S GIFTS

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When my husband and I were first married he used to build houses, in fact he built our own. I fondly watched him and also enjoyed the various stages of the construction process. In reflection, I can see an analogy that the appointed gifts are very similar to building a house:

- The apostle is the concrete foundation. It is the lowest structure of the house, and designed to carry much weight. The foundation determines the size, shape and dimension of the building. There is a great necessity for pouring a level foundation and not a crooked one.
- The prophets are the framework and the windows. The 2 x 4 framework of the walls are not visible when the house is finished. The framework stands in the breaches of the house until the walls are formed. The windows are the watchman's post to view beyond the walls.
- The evangelist is the exterior color and environment of the house. His message as someone passes by, is "Welcome." He is a gift clearly visible that proclaims the beauty of the overall package.

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- The teacher fills the house with color and comfort, like the furniture, carpet and drapes. But the lovely things to fill the home belong to the members. Each is a chosen vessel, with a chosen gift to add beauty and warmth to the home.

- The roof is the pastor. He shelters and protects his house and provides a covering from the elements that rage against it.

I heard a cute idea of portraying the gifts in the body of Christ, which I have expounded upon: The way you tell a person's gift is to watch how he responds to any given situation. Pretend a little boy is carrying a glass of water, trips and spills the water. Each response is the person with their own particular gift to share:

The gift of Ministry: "Are you all right? Here, let me get the mop and broom!"

The gift of Hospitality: "Come to my home, and I will be happy to share something to drink and cookies."

The gift of Exhortation: "I know you're going to be just fine. We'll just wipe off those pant legs and you'll be on your way! Next time you'll do better."

The gift of Giving: "I'll go get you another glass of water."

The gift of Ruling: "Who designed these steps any way? We need to redesign them so this doesn't happen again."

The gift of Mercy: "Oh Sweetheart, I'm so sorry! I know exactly how you feel. The same thing happened to me."

The gift of Helps: "Let me carry your water for you."

The gift of Governments: "I'll find a builder to rebuild this step according to the new design."

The Musician: "Let's all worship the Lord in spite of a tough day!"

The Craftsman: "I'm going to build a water stand in the back so they won't have to carry the water so far."

The Children: "Ouch! Would you like my balloon with the smile face?"

The Senior: "My my, dear one, come sit on my lap and I'll tell you a story about the little boy who spilled his water."

The Intercessor: "Little one, I will pray for you that the Lord will keep you safe and keep you from falling."

The Missionary: "I know of a land where they carry water in a different manner. Let me tell you about it!"

The Apostle: "I found a place where we can get you a new glass of water. Here, let me show you the way."

The Prophet: "Always walk carefully as though you carry a glass of water in your hands, and beware of stumbling blocks in your way."

The Evangelist: "There is someone thirsty over in the corner. Will you take some water to him?"

The Teacher: "May I teach you how to walk with a glass of water in your hand? If you were to hold your hand just so, making sure your thumb is placed... And did you know that the Greek word for glass comes from the word..."

The Pastor: "Here, let me help you up, and let's make sure you're OK!"

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HE SPEAKS THROUGH COMMON SENSE IN GIVING GIFTS

{Quoted from 101+Ways God Speaks (And How to Hear Him)}

The gifts in Romans 12 and 1 Corinthians 12, are various manifestations of the Holy Spirit the Lord has deposited within His people. Together, as a whole, they make up His body. How often we take for granted these gifts and forget to hear His touch. He has placed the gift of His Presence within His people because of His strong love and desire to reach out in a tangible way. What a miserable world it would be without His precious gifts through His people!

When one has a gift to give, common questions are asked, "How do I know I'm supposed to give it? Or how do I know when or how?" This section expresses the idea of giving as a cooperating process:

"If you are really eager to give, then it isn't important how much you give. God wants you to

give what you have, not what you haven't. Of course, I don't mean that those who receive your gifts should have an easy time of it at your expense, but you should divide with them. Right now you have plenty and can help them; then at some other time they can share with you when you need it. In this way, each will have as much as he needs. Do you remember what the scriptures say about this? "He that gathered much had nothing left over, and he that gathered little had enough. So you also should share with those in need." (2 Corinthians 8:12-15 TLB) The equality spoken of in this passage has to do with teamwork. This is not one person doing all the work, but all contributing as they are able.

The key to being used by the Holy Spirit for any giving is being available. The Bible records guidance standards in giving gifts. The first is giving in relation to one's ability. "Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God which He hath given you." (Deuteronomy 16:17 KJ) "For if there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what one has, and not according to what he does not have." (2 Corinthians 8:12 NKJV) We cannot give what we do not have.

Secondly, as seen in the above verse, (willing mind), we do not give out of obligation. All giving requires man's free will. God does not give through an unwilling vessel. If the vessel is unwilling, the gift is not from Him. "...whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, as an offering of the Lord;..." (Exodus 35:5 NKJV) "So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity..." (2 Corinthians 9:7 NKJV) It is NOT THE LORD one is feeling if there is a feeling of heaviness and a sense of obligation to give. God said, "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments: and His commandments are not grievous." (1 John 5:3 KJ)

~~~~~ Grudgingly: With sadness, grief, heaviness, sorrow. [3077 Gk Strong's] Necessity; Constraint, distress, needful, necessary. [318 Gk Strong's]

~~~~~ Grievous: weighty, burdensome, grave, heavy. [926 Gk Strong's]

He has no desire to heavily laden our shoulders; the enemy does that. Also man loads himself with his own goals and ambitions. When God gives His good gifts through a vessel, the vessel is given the grace, the freedom, the joy, the zeal and the delight to give. His yoke is easy, His burden is light when coupled in service with Him. If you are feeling enslaved and yoked in giving, find out why. Search your own heart and motive.

The third measure of giving is to give with cheerfulness. "For God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7 NKJV) Note the word "attractive" below. Attraction has drawing power. Attraction draws, allures, magnetizes, gravitates, inclines, pulls, etc. So if you feel repelled toward giving and have no cheerfulness at the thought, listen to your heart.

~~~~~ Cheerful: To be propitious, merry, hilarious, prompt, willing. It comes from a word meaning attractive, merciful, gracious. [2431 Gk Strong's from / 2436]

If you are having trouble getting started sharing your gifts, perhaps the following will help you. The Lord quickened to me that all encompassing Who, What, Why, How, Where and When list. If you are practiced in the gifts, you may want to see if this seems to fit the way you minister.

When the Lord begins His drawing power to reach out to a certain individual, usually the first group He brings to mind is Who, What and Why. Later the how, where, and when seem to fall into place:

1. WHO - The mystery of the Lord's drawing power begins when someone comes into focus. We are with him in an actual physical circumstance or he comes to us within our thoughts. Although we have not been alerted, there is a gift to give, the Lord has begun His process. He has identified the "WHO."

2. WHAT - Shortly following who, we discover "WHAT." A problem has emerged and we recognize a need.

3. WHY - Usually simultaneously, we understand "WHY" it is needed. At this point, we desire to give to that person's need. This is the time to pray and rely on the Lord to show How, Where

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and When the need is to be met.

4. **HOW** - "HOW" is the transportation of the gift. It can be through a spoken, written or visual word, a physical or spiritual touch. Usually, when we receive a gift to impart, we understand the vehicle by which it will travel. However, there are exceptions. Sometimes when a person receives a word of knowledge about someone, he will waver between two thoughts, do I share, or do I pray? Check the three standards in giving: ability, willingness and drawing power. If there is hesitation, a repelling to give forth in person, reluctance, no cheerfulness, no personal desire or choice, or no ability... Then PRAY. If you have a strong desire to share, then share. If you feel drawn to pray, then pray. If nothing is drawing you, put it on the shelf and wait upon the Lord. He will bring the six words to line up in His perfect timing.

5. **WHERE** - The Holy Spirit will bring to mind the environment best situated to give. Obviously, it is not good to give a foot massage while someone is chopping wood! The same is true for any gift shared, there is a wise, tactful and prudent place to give a gift. Most frequently, the Holy Spirit will impart common sense. ("...And let it be, when these signs come to you, that you do as the occasion demands; for God is with you.." I Samuel 10:7 NKJV) Sometimes extenuating circumstances do require an explicit location. If that is the case, the Holy Spirit will give that supernatural understanding. Most of the time, "WHERE" is common sense.

6. **WHEN** - Timing is the last to line up. I have noticed He prefers to leave the timing to me simply because He wants me to be a cheerful and prompt giver. However, I always ask Him to reveal His perfect timing. If the timing is important He will impart that understanding. On most occasions, I give when all six words have lined up and I realize the opportunity is NOW. I do not falter at timing because my faith tells me He knows exactly how long it will take for me to discover the person, hear his need, why he needs it, then understand where and how. My faith tells me He already has the receiver timed perfectly with my timing to hear and dispatch. Usually the opportunity shows itself. Timing also requires tact, wisdom, and common sense. When in doubt about when to give, use common sense. If still in doubt, WAIT. The holy boldness, faith and courage He desires does not come through doubt. Give Him time to establish you before going forth. Establishing comes through confirmations.

I have noticed there are occasions when He has lined up all six words, with my willing cheerful heart to give, but then given me the guidance to "pray" it, rather than give it. When these occasions happen, they have been a true sacrifice and gift; giving my desire to give back to Him and letting Him do it HIS WAY, and in His timing. People who have a ministry of prayer will frequently have this happen, having the means and opportunity to give, and yet yielding their will to the Lord and allowing Him to do what He wants.

As much as we desire to give, we empty ourselves to His will. This is a "strengthless" place to be, desiring so much to help something be better, and yet completely relying on Him to make it better HIS way. In yielding our own strength we become weak. His full miraculous power is then made available to go forth unhindered by flesh.



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