

The Desire to Prophecy 2

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GOD SPEAKING THROUGH US:

PROPHECY

- divinely inspired
- supernatural proclamation
- It is the forth telling of the will of God

1 Cor 14: 1

EAGERLY PURSUE and seek to acquire [*this*] love [*make it your aim, your great quest*]; and earnestly desire and cultivate the spiritual endowments (gifts), especially that you may prophesy (interpret the divine will and purpose in inspired preaching and teaching).

Edification

1 Cor 14: 3-4

- 3 But one who prophesies speaks to men for edification and exhortation and consolation. 4 One who speaks in a tongue edifies himself; but one who prophesies edifies the church.

Conviction & Evangelism

1 Cor 14: 24-25

- 24 But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an ungifted man enters, he is convicted by all, he is called to account by all; 25 the secrets of his heart are disclosed; and so he will fall on his face and worship God, declaring that God is certainly among you.

Authority to release/ bind

Josh 6: 26

- “Then Joshua charged them at that time, saying, ‘Cursed be the man before the Lord who rises up and builds this city Jericho; he shall lay its foundation with his firstborn, and with his youngest he shall set up its gates.’”

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1 Kings 16: 34

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Divine Direction

Acts 9: 10-16

Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and the Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." 11 And the Lord *said* to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying, 12 and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him, so that he might regain his sight."

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13 But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he did to Your saints at Jerusalem; 14 and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." 15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of Mine, to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel; 16 for I will show him how much he must suffer for My name's sake."

Power of Perception

Dan 11: 32

"And by smooth *words* he will turn to godlessness those who act wickedly toward the covenant, but the people who know their God will display **strength and take action**."

Eze 3:17

"Son of man, I have appointed you a watchman to the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from My mouth, warn them from Me."

Impart Courage

1 Sam 10: 6,8,9

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Engages Glory

Jer 1: 9 - 10

- 9 Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me, Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. 10 See, I have this day appointed you to the oversight of the nations and of the kingdoms to **root out and pull down**, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.

Engages Glory

Isaiah 45: 1-3

- 1 Thus says the LORD to Cyrus His anointed, Whom I have taken by the right hand, To subdue nations before him And to loose the loins of kings; To open doors before him so that gates will not be shut: 2 "I will go before you and make the rough places smooth; I will shatter the doors of bronze and cut through their iron bars.

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Isaiah 45: 1-3

- 3 "I will give you the treasures of darkness And hidden wealth of secret places, So that you may know that it is I, The LORD, the God of Israel, who calls you by your name.

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Mar 11: 12-14

- 12 On the next day, when they had left Bethany, He became hungry. 13 Seeing at a distance a fig tree in leaf, He went *to see* if perhaps He would find anything on it; and when He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. 14 He said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again!" And His disciples were listening.

Engages Glory

Mar 11: 20-24

- 20 As they were passing by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots *up*. 21 Being reminded, Peter *said* to Him, "Rabbi, look, the fig tree which You cursed has withered." 22 And Jesus *answered* saying to them, "Have faith in God. 23 "Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be *granted* him.

Engages Glory

Mar 11: 20-24

24 "Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be *granted* you.