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## THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY IN PRAYER

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**F**irst Corinthians 14:3 gives us a definition of what prophecy is supposed to do: “*But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort*” (KJV). A prophetic word is not a truly inspired utterance if it doesn’t edify, exhort, or comfort.

*Edify* means to build up. The word *exhortation* gives the idea of encouragement, which we all need from time to time. And *comfort* brings consolation and reassurance. It cheers someone up. This type of prophecy is speaking to believers in a group setting.

Prophecy is speaking words that are inspired by the Holy Spirit in a language you know. It can be given in private prayer or a private conversation or in a group setting.

On many occasions, I have prayed prophetically under the anointing of the spirit of prophecy when I was alone and interceding for others. As I prayed and yielded to the Holy Spirit, He took over, and my words took on a deeper meaning. I began

saying things that didn't come from my mind. If I tried to think it out beforehand and pray that kind of prayer, I wouldn't be able to come up with what I prayed.

Praying prophetically (and giving a prophecy) does not come from your natural thinking. You begin to pray under the inspiration and utterance of the Holy Spirit. You're not thinking things like, "God bless so and so." Or "God help our church." "God do this; God do that."

Oral Roberts once told my dad that he prayed in tongues and then interpreted his prayers in English to receive God's wisdom and direction for his ministry and the building of the ORU campus.

Since tongues plus interpretation is equivalent to the simple gift of prophecy, praying under the anointing of prophecy produces the same results.

## **Intercession for My Sister**

I remember an incident that took place while I was ministering at a conference in California. As I was visiting with other ministers, suddenly I was overcome with the feeling that something was terribly wrong. I excused myself and went to my motel room and literally threw myself across the bed, interceding in tongues by the Spirit.

After about 45 minutes, I stood up and began to declare the covering of the blood of Jesus, Psalm 91, and that no weapon formed against my sister, Beverly, and her family would

prosper. I was startled to hear this come out of my mouth because I did not know who I was praying for until then.

I immediately called my mom and asked if she knew where Beverly was. My sister had just called my mother crying. She and her three children were driving in the car when a terrible accident happened right in front of them. They narrowly missed being in it. One of the cars caught on fire, resulting in multiple deaths, but my sister and her children were unharmed.

## **Paul's Prayers**

Ephesians 1 and 3 and Colossians 1 record the prayers of Paul. While attending Rhema Bible Training College, I heard Kenneth E. Hagin say that he was amazed at the revelation that came to him after he began praying Paul's prayers. So I started praying those prayers myself. After a while, I noticed that my prayers took on a prophetic element.

My daily prayer was: "Father, I pray that You would give unto me the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Christ. I ask that the eyes of my understanding would be enlightened. I want to know what the hope of my calling is and what the riches of the glory of Your inheritance in the saints are. And what is the exceeding greatness of Your power toward me because I believe according to the working of Your mighty power, which You wrought in Christ when you raised Him from the dead and set Him at Your right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion and every name that is named, not only in this world

but also in that which is to come.” (Taken from Ephesians 1:17-21.)

The Ephesians’ prayers were written under the inspiration of the Spirit of God. When you pray them aloud, you tap into the same spirit of prophecy that operated in Paul when he prayed them.

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One day when I got to the end of that prayer, the prayer stopped, but the Holy Ghost kept going. And I prayed under the spirit of prophecy.

I prayed, “Father, I pray in the Name of Jesus that the entire body of Christ would come into the full knowledge of Christ. That the entire body of Christ would walk in the wealth of the eternities.”

I heard words coming out of me that I didn’t know I knew. When you begin to pray in the spirit of prophecy, your words become alive, operative, energizing, quick, and powerful. They affect everything around you.

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## **What to Pray?**

Some people say it's hard for them to pray because they don't know what to say. When you don't know how to pray, pray in tongues. Romans 8:26-27 says:

*In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know how we ought to pray, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans too deep for words. And He who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.*

As you pray in tongues, expect to receive the interpretation of what you are praying.

Prayer can seem like hard work. I liken it to plowing behind a mule. But when the spirit of prophecy comes upon you in prayer, it breaks up the ground like you are using a John Deere tractor. Hard ground is no match for a tractor! What you are praying about is taken care of easily. When you learn to pray with the Holy Spirit, He makes it easy for you.

## **Corporate Prayer**

The spirit of prophecy also flows in corporate prayer. We read how God used Peter and John to heal a lame man in Acts 3:6. Peter spoke anointed, God-energized words: "*In the Name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, get up and walk!*" (NLT). Then acting in faith, he pulled the lame man off the ground and to his feet.

Peter then preached to the crowd that gathered, and 5,000 people believed in Jesus. The two apostles were arrested and questioned by the chief priests and elders. When they were released, they were commanded not to speak or teach in the Name of Jesus.

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*And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them. And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord.*

**Acts 4:23-24 KJV**

The early church gathered together and prayed with *one voice* unto the Lord. I've often tried to figure out how the entire church could have prayed one prayer. Did they write down the prayer on sheets of paper and pass it out to everyone? Did the leaders say, "Now, let's all together pray this prayer?"

No. I believe the spirit of prophecy moved upon that entire church. And when the Spirit of God moves upon a body of believers, everyone will *say the same thing*.

That body of believers prayed the same inspired words. And after they did, scripture says, "*the place was shaken where they were assembled together*" (Acts 4:31 KJV). That is a mighty manifestation of the spirit of prophecy.

## **The Spirit of Prophecy in Intercession**

There is an element of prophecy in intercession. You see that in the books of Jeremiah and Lamentations. When Jeremiah cried out to God, the spirit of prophecy guided his words.

During intercession, the spirit of prophecy can come upon you. When it does, it's as if you are grieving, but then the spirit of prophecy takes over. And God expresses Himself through your intercession. This type of prayer is inspired and anointed.

That has happened to me during intercession. The spirit of prophecy suddenly came on me, and it was powerful. And I saw the effect of what was prayed about for the person or situation I was interceding about.

## **The Spirit of Prophecy in Preaching**

An element of prophecy can come forth while you are preaching. At times while I am ministering, I hear myself say things I never thought of before. I wonder how I knew what I just said. I didn't, but the Spirit of God did. When that happens, words come to my spirit, not my mind.

(I practice *connecting my mouth to my spirit* by praying in tongues. The more I pray in tongues, the more sensitive I am to what the Spirit wants to say.)

As you listen to a minister, you can tell when the spirit of prophecy comes upon them. As they are ministering, you will hear a difference in their voice and what they say. They switch

over into a stronger anointing, and it sounds like something was added to their words. That is an element of prophecy.

When the spirit of prophecy comes upon me, it seems as though I entered a cloud and am watching myself speak. It feels like I am totally removed from the equation because the Spirit of God is in control. I gave Him control because I yielded myself to the anointing.

## THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY IN MUSIC

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Some of the most amazing flows of music I have witnessed were in the early Kenneth E. Hagin Campmeeting services. Brother Hagin would be given a message from God. At certain times during the service, he would turn to his son-in-law, Buddy Harrison, and ask if he had something in the Spirit.

Out would come an original psalm or spiritual song that literally “hit the spot” and further enhanced the prophetic anointing on Brother Hagin.

In one service, Brother Hagin called upon Vicki Jamison Peterson, who launched out in the Spirit with “He’s More Than Enough.” Anyone in that meeting will be able to recall the unusual high-intensity anointing that washed over the whole crowd as she sang this *new song* in the Spirit.

It remains one of my favorite songs, and just hearing it in my mind brings that same anointing and Presence of God that manifested during that service.

## **Anointed Musicians**

I believe God wants us to enter into these deeper realms of the spirit in song and music. In some church services, the music is approached as if it's just something to do before the minister starts preaching—have a song service. If we approach worship that way, we don't understand its true purpose.

When the spirit of prophecy operates during worship, our praise to God reaches a higher level. Instead of singing songs

to get the congregation in the mood to listen to the Word, the spirit of prophecy creates a completely different atmosphere.

**Worship becomes prophetic.**

Worship lifts the congregation to the heavenly places in Christ. Instead of words being mouthed, wor-

ship becomes prophetic. It edifies, exhorts, and comforts and pulls us to the heavenlies.

When we reach the heavenly places during worship, we put ourselves in a position where the Spirit can sweep through the congregation and minister to everyone in attendance.

I wonder how many times the Holy Spirit is grieved because people in the congregation need healing and need deliverance, but He is not allowed to move as He wants. The service consists of two or three songs, but the people never enter into worship. The minister preaches the sermon, takes up the

offering, and everyone goes home. And many people are left in the same position as when they walked in.

When God's Spirit is present and able to move, it transforms us. People battling sickness can be healed in the presence of the Healer and through the gifts of healings. A person could fail to receive their healing by not believing in or accepting God's healing power. But no one can come that close to the Presence and power of God without the opportunity to receive His healing power. God is light and love, and darkness of any kind has to flee from His Presence.

God inhabits the praise of His people. His Presence manifests when people truly worship Him. But singing songs *about* Him is not the same as worshiping Him for who He is. Singing about what He has done is a great testimony and brings an emotional response. But worship brings a spiritual response that magnifies God and puts Him first.

When the prophetic anointing of God is on the musicians, they will lead us to that place where God can work, where Jesus can minister, and where the Spirit of God can sweep through a congregation and not one person is left sick. Not one! I believe that will happen.

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People will be supernaturally healed by being saturated with God's Presence and because they had an encounter with the Presence of our Lord and Savior, Jesus.

When we—the body of Christ—release the musicians to lead us into those places, we will see greater manifestations of the Spirit in signs and wonders.

## **One Voice**

God can move in mighty ways when the Church is united in one voice. Look what happened in the following two situations when people came to God, not as many individual voices but as one sound.

*And when the trumpeters and singers were joined in unison, making one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord, and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and other instruments for song and praised the Lord, saying, For He is good, for His mercy and loving-kindness endure forever, then the house of the Lord was filled with a cloud, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled the house of God.*

### **2 Chronicles 5:13-14 AMPC**

Notice that verse 13 says that the “trumpeters and singers were in unison making one sound.” I have seen this happen to a great degree in the 1970s and some in the 1980s outpouring.

As the Spirit moved, the congregation would break forth in spontaneous singing in the language of the Spirit. With no direction from anyone but the Spirit, a beautiful melody was formed by groups of believers harmonizing, volume rising and falling as though directed by an unseen conductor. It was truly a heavenly experience!

In this outpouring of the Spirit, Spirit-filled believers will become so attuned to the Spirit of God that entire congregations will simultaneously sing the same song in the Spirit in the same language. They will make one sound unto the Lord in unison. And the glory of God will fill the place. It will be earth-shattering—the vibrational frequencies will resonate through the entire earth and shatter and destroy the enemy’s plans.

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In this second example, many years had passed after the Temple in Jerusalem was dedicated. Three nations joined together to attack God’s people. But instead of the king sending his best *soldiers* to lead the battle, King Jehoshaphat put his best *worshipers* in front of the army.

*And they rose early in the morning and went out into the Wilderness of Tekoa; and as they went*

*out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and you inhabitants of Jerusalem! Believe in the Lord your God and you shall be established; believe and remain steadfast to His prophets and you shall prosper.*

*When he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers to sing to the Lord and praise Him in their holy [priestly] garments as they went out before the army, saying, **Give thanks to the Lord, for His mercy and loving-kindness endure forever!***

## **2 Chronicles 20:20-21 AMPC**

Notice the last verse in this passage. The people didn't say that God is a God of judgment or that He will strike and kill their enemies. No, they gathered together saying, "For the Lord is good and His mercy endureth forever."

## **Anointed Singing Defeats the Enemy**

Look at what happened when they stood united and sang in unison.

*And when they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushments against the men of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir who had come against Judah, and they were [self-] slaughtered; for [suspecting betrayal] the men of Ammon and Moab rose against those of Mount Seir; utterly*

*destroying them. And when they had made an end of the men of Seir, they all helped to destroy one another.*

## **2 Chronicles 20:22-23 AMPC**

God anointed the musicians so powerfully that it ruined the enemy. Because of the anointing upon them, God set ambushments against Israel's enemies, and they destroyed each other.

Anointed worship is one thing the devil cannot stand. He won't stay around long when people enter into the high praises of God.

There are songs given by the Spirit that will cause discouragement and depression to flee from your life. When the enemy comes against you, singing praise will turn the tide. Certain songs and musicians will resonate with you. And when discouragement comes, you must force yourself to sing these songs.

Personally, I have two or three songs that always lift me up in praise and cause the battle to turn in my favor. Most of these are songs of scripture set to music. One that I keep in my heart is "Garment of Praise" by David Ingles. Brother Ingles received his songs by the Spirit, often in Kenneth E. Hagin's Campmeeting.

Put on the garment of praise  
For the spirit of heaviness  
Lift up your voice to God.  
Praise with the Spirit  
And the understanding  
Oh, magnify the Lord.<sup>1</sup>

When you sing the praise of God out loud, you are making a statement of faith, and the anointing on God's Word sets a fire in your heart. Discouragement and depression must depart.

There is a rhythm, timing, and pattern of a song that will dispel darkness and release victory. The sound frequency of anointed words sung from the heart can resonate and change you from defeat to victory.

## **Music Sets the Stage for What God Can Do**

It's time for the Spirit of God to be manifested more powerfully through songs and music. Intercession must be made for the musicians the same way we intercede for the pastor. We need

to pray that the musicians reach places in the spirit and bring the entire congregation with them.

When the congregation reaches the "heavenly places in Christ Jesus" and the preacher comes up to minister, it's like striking a match and setting a Holy Spirit fire in them. They are released and set free! When the spirit of prophecy has

already been operating through the musicians, it is unleashed on the preacher and enables them to minister with a heightened sensitivity to the Spirit.

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Singing and worshiping under the spirit of prophecy raises the entire congregation to a higher level. And it's sure a whole lot easier to minister! We need to contend for that. It's vital that we pray, believe, and expect God to manifest Himself in the music ministry.

## **Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs**

Colossians 3:16 says, *“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord”* (KJV).

This verse shows us that there are different kinds of songs. A psalm, or *psalmos* in Greek, is a sacred song sung to musical accompaniment. There's nothing wrong with singing the songs we have written. But are they sacred?

Hymns are songs of praise addressed to God. But have you ever noticed that most of our songs aren't addressed to Him? They are about God, what He has done, and how we feel about Him. But often, they are not addressed to Him.

One song that is addressed to God is “Thou Art Worthy.” When we sing that song, we are worshiping God. We are addressing Him, not the audience. And that brings Him into our midst, and His Presence and glory manifest among us.

An entirely different anointing is upon that song than on other songs. I have never sung “Thou Art Worthy” and failed to see the anointing manifest.

Praise songs are sung about what God has *done*, often what He has done *for* us. Worship songs are adoring Him for who He *is*.

A spiritual song is a song of the Spirit and is revealed by the Holy Spirit. Don't you think that He knows the best way to praise God? When you hear a true song of the Spirit, it excites your spirit and lifts you up. An anointing is on it that paves the way for other gifts of the Spirit to manifest.

A woman who was mightily used in the area of spiritual songs was Vicki Jamison Peterson. She went home to be with the Lord in 2008. While she ministered, the Spirit of God gave her songs that she sang out under the anointing. She often sang out healings to people. Her ministry gift was a combination of the gift of prophecy in song, the gifts of healings, and the word of knowledge—the Spirit of God revealed who was being healed of specific sicknesses. The Spirit gave her not only the words to sing but also the melodies.

Her ministry was one of the most unusual and powerful that I have ever witnessed. One time Vicki told me that the anointing was ten times stronger in the area of healing when she *sang* the healings rather than when she *spoke* them.

The next time you are in a service, listen to what you are singing. It will show you what direction the service will go.

## **Vast Frontiers Ahead of Us**

I believe vast frontier lands are ahead of us in the spirit realm, and we have not yet touched them. So many times people hear

the Word being taught, and they think, “I’ve got it.” But the more I learn, the more I realize that we don’t “have it.” We’ve barely gotten into what the Spirit wants to show us and do through us.

In 1981, I ministered along these lines at Dr. Lydia Berkey’s church in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. Dr. Berkey was an ordained minister with the Foursquare Gospel denomination. She attended Life Bible College while Aimee Semple McPherson was at the height of her ministry. At the end of the service, this prophetic word came from the Spirit of God through me.

There are vast frontier lands in the spirit that are yet to be discovered. There are vast frontier lands in the spirit that God has laid out for you to discover. There are vast frontier lands in the spirit, and I alone know the way. These frontier lands are waiting for you to push into and take steps into that area of discovery. For the Spirit of God will take you higher, and He will take you beyond the things you now know. And He will take you beyond the things you have yet to experience. For there are frontier lands full of the things of God that you don’t have any knowledge of. So take your liberty and enter in. Come with Me, and together we will discover what I have prepared for you.

We’re going to spend eternity discovering the things of God. I want to get started now, don’t you?

**NOTE**

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