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3 - 1 Prophetic Ministry is all about Hearing

(This Section 3-1 is also covered in Section 4-3)

Prophecy, Prophetic Revelation, Gifts of Prophecy and the Office of a Prophet are all access points for Prophetic Language. It's the rhema of God, the spoken word of God through His appointed vessels. Prophecy really is the doorway that reveals the heart of God's intentions and strategies: a language that is not only foretelling, but also reveals strategies, secrets, and the person of Jesus himself (directly or indirectly). For us today, individually or corporately, it will confirm, in most cases, the very thing that He has already planted within us. It could speak of a season that we are about to enter, with the ability to define us even more as we move forward. It could also speak of a transition, — something we may need to leave behind, while containing the lessons learned, and while giving revelation of who we are in Him, defining our identity and our purpose. It could speak of our need to function as a people as He moves us forward. A cloud by day, a fire by night, — that's the potential power behind the prophetic as His presence rends the air before us. He is the way and He will make a way for us through prophetic ministry.

The key purpose of both the prophet and those walking in prophetic language is to reveal the glorious wonders of Jesus, — God manifested in the flesh and how He came to serve! So if the "Spirit of Prophecy" is a continuation of His serving, how much more should the prophetic language that we are about to enter into reflect His model of servant-hood?

This amazing Jesus whom I've come to know has over 200 titles attached to His name, and it's growing. This is an astonishing résumé where a lot of those titles have a redemptive quality to them, redemption being key to why He came in the first place! The other amazing quality, besides having all those titles, is how scripture clearly defines the fact that "The testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of

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Prophecy” (Revelation 19:10). Therefore it would seem that when we step into prophetic ministry, the prophetic expression of ministry should have a redeeming component to it! It should be pointing to some level of restoration!

The days of the fish bonker has very little place in today’s dispensation when it comes to steering the sheep into those greener pastures! The original model was designed so that the 12 walk in one accord, being united, serving one another, and building each other up. It is in these surroundings that we get to see the Kingdom of God land with the creativeness that it so desires. So when walking out prophetic revelation as it is intended, it’s amazing how the Kingdom expresses itself with the redeeming qualities that refresh, revive, restore, renew and release for that needed restoration, — for it always was about restoring the captives and setting them free, — the very things that we need to contend for today!

So for us today, what does a prophetic ministry look like under Ekklesia? There is so much to write when it comes to putting a basic manual together, but we have kept it simple and have decided to focus on two main points – The Spirit of Jesus, and the Spirit of Prophecy! Merge the two together and you will end up with a powerful force that is second to none! Powerful towards the broken hearted, powerful towards the lost, and powerful towards those who are stumbling along the way!

Jesus said, “The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life”, (John 6:63). Those who walk in prophetic revelation will come to know of the power behind that spirit and life! Those who hear His voice will be joined to the greatest power in the universe, for in one word creation was formed, and for us, those words upon our lips become a conduit for the greatest power in the universe. The more we understand spiritually about prophetic revelation, the more closely joined we become to the Word Himself, and the more precious and powerful our words will become. The more we value these words, the more careful we will be when handling it, — becoming even more careful as we grow in our awakening of its amazing power. The more careful we are, the more power our Lord can entrust us with as He sends us deeper into prophetic ministry.

If we do all this while entering into this present season, prophetic revelation will demonstrate its power far beyond what we could ever think or imagine! “Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and which have not entered the heart of man, all that God has prepared for those who love Him” (1st Corinthians 2:9). The latter will be greater than the former.

3 - 2 Jesus is the Model for Prophetic Ministry

If Prophetic Ministry has everything to do with the Bride of Christ, would not the Bride Groom have a few things to say about it?

Jesus is not only the Doorway, but also the Chief Cornerstone. As a matter of fact He is the whole building where all involved know Him as King of kings and Lord of lords to be exact. No different than the Ark of the Covenant being emblematic of Jesus. He is not only the Ark, He is the Holy of Holies, the Outer Court and the Inner Court. He is a manifestation of the Father manifesting His Father's business, not only in Word, but also by His physical actions, and spiritually by the unleashing of His Father's Kingdom, all fueled by Prophetic Ministry.

He is also defined in scripture as "The Spirit of Prophecy". So if He is the total and complete package when it comes to prophecy, then any prophecy today should be a continuation of that "Spirit of Prophecy", and it should automatically line up with what the Father is building with the nature of Jesus, — to restore what was lost, take back what was stolen, to prepare earthen vessels to walk with holy fire, and to see a Bride arise for His Sons' return. If everything Jesus did represented His Father, and everything that the Father established was for the hidden mystery of Jesus to be revealed, then any prophetic language needs to follow the same spiritual flow. Our safeguard is to default any prophetic language upon the Chief Cornerstone. For the chances of any revelation coming forward with the proper interpretation and application for restoration, it would be wise to place that revelation upon the cornerstone that heaven has provided for us.

All true prophecy is His testimony. It comes from Him and draws us to Him. To know Him and all that He truly represents will help in the processing of any prophetic revelation that may come our way, for He is the template and He is the standard when it comes to prophecy. He truly is the Spirit of Prophecy.

Jesus has clearly defined that He is all about love, that His Ekklesia is all about love, and that the five-fold functioning as a team is all about walking in that love, — and so should Prophetic Ministry! When it comes to prophetic ministry, prophetic revelation and the workings of any prophetic giftings, or the prophet making his stand, it should all be presented in love. Any presentation should arm itself with enough love to obtain restoration, with His manifest presence and redeeming love coming with all the evidence that the Kingdom of God has actually landed.

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While Jesus walked in our midst, hearing the Father's voice and doing what the Father was doing, clearly He was demonstrating a model of what prophetic ministry needs to look like. Since He is our example of hearing that voice, being that voice, and walking out that voice, then it is very clear that we need to step into that model that He has prepared. Known as "The Spirit of Prophecy" Jesus prays over those to whom He has given authority, and He states that He will now be glorified through those that are His. We, who have been authorized on His behalf, now carry the same responsibility to be that presenter of His voice. That baton has been passed to us through prophetic ministry. But, to be that voice can be a bit of a process, and the series of events to process that voice all depends on the calling and the personality of the one being called.

3 - 3 The Gift of Prophecy

Prophecy is probably the most common gift and is given to most for the purpose of edifying other believers. Whether it's on a huge level or not, it can encourage. We are instructed to encourage one another daily; prophecy is that needed gift to help encourage those around us.

Acts 2:17-18

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy."

1 Corinthians 14:31

"For you can all prophesy one by one, so that all may learn and all may be exhorted."

1 Corinthians 14:1

"Pursue love, yet desire earnestly spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy."

3 - 4 Is Moving in Prophecy for Everyone?

1 Corinthians 14:24-25

“But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an uninformed person comes in, he is convinced by all, he is convicted by all. And thus the secrets of his heart are revealed; and so, falling down on his face, he will worship God and report that God is truly among you.”

1 Corinthians 14:5

“I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more to prophesy.” Similar to tongues, the gift of prophecy can be sought by all and is frequently a sign of being filled with the Spirit.

Acts 19:6

“And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied.”

1 Corinthians 14:30-31

“All are permitted to prophesy, so long as they are interconnected and accountable to those that they have surrounded themselves with.”

1 Thessalonians 5:19-21

“Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies . . . hold fast what is good.”

1 Corinthians 14:4

“A person who speaks in tongues is strengthened personally, but one who speaks a word of prophecy strengthens the entire gathering.”

1 Corinthians 12:7

“But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all. Not everyone receives the same gift, since these are distributed by the Holy Spirit.”

1 Corinthians 12:11

“But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills”.

1 Corinthians 14:1

“To effectively build one another up.”

1 Corinthians 14:12

“So it is with you, since you are so very eager to have spiritual gifts and the manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building one another up in ways that will build the body up spiritually.”

3 - 5 The Prophetic

The Prophet - Friend of God

The Lord has entrusted Himself to the prophets. He will do nothing unless He reveals His secret counsel to His servants the prophets, (Amos 3:7) He has obligated Himself to share everything with His prophets simply because the foremost calling of a prophet is to be God's friend, someone with whom He can share His most intimate purposes. But the Lord has by no means limited Himself to speaking only through those called as prophets, — but that is a prophet's primary function. Similarly, the Lord may choose to use anyone for healing, whether the person has a special gift of healing or not, but the one who has this gift will be devoted.

Those who call themselves a prophet, while leaving a continual body count behind them, are most likely walking in a delusion. Being deceived, they have by-passed the whole reason for prophetic ministry, and for the sake of self-preservation, for themselves and for their personal ministry, the spiritual body count will continue.

If there is to be any true prophetic voice within Ekklesia, it must proceed from a pure heart and a righteous fear of the Lord. Respect for who He is and the preciousness of His Word is necessary if there is to be a prophetic ministry with integrity, for Psalm 25:14 says, "The secret of the Lord is for those who fear Him".

A true prophet is the spokesman of God, and speaks that part for the Ekklesia. He or she must stand in that place as both a messenger for God, and an intercessor for Ekklesia. Intercession is part of the prophet's makeup, as they are given for the equipping of the gathering, not being that main spokesperson, as they only see in part, for in any gathering there will be both prophets and those who walk in prophetic revelation. Both contribute to help a gathering stay focused, as all the parts paint that bigger picture.

Paul also said, "For you can all prophesy one by one", (1st Corinthians 14:31) Even though the hand is not the eye, when dark, one cannot use the eyes, and may feel his way around with his hands to "see" where he is going. While the Lord does appoint many believers to specialize in a ministry, this does not mean those are the only ones He will ever use for that ministry. Not everyone is a prophet, but all may prophesy. Every member of the body is different but all add to that bigger picture. We cannot expect other ministries to act like prophets, nor the prophets to be like other ministries.

In Scripture every prophet was different from all of the other prophets. It is the nature of the Lord to be creative in His ways. He has made every person uniquely different, and as well as the location, the timing, and the season! But in our diversities, what an incredible

responsibility there is to be that voice! When we limit the Lord, or the things of the Lord, to a certain pattern, we have greatly limited our ability to relate to Him and to hear from Him, and we are actually scaling back power that is the thrust of prophetic revelation. Those who only receive a prophetic word to verify their ministry, and their vision are probably not receiving true prophetic revelation. Self appointed or self-seeking leaders will always be in conflict with true prophetic ministry and will often fall into a false prophetic ministry perverting any prophetic movement that they may be entering into. The false prophetic has always shown itself at the starting gate of any move that God unleashes. That false beast is always on time and is determined to weasel itself in, and it will have its way unless we nail down how the prophetic, and the revelation behind it should function under Ekklesia.

Jesus said to His disciples in John 16:12 “I still have much to tell you but you are not ready to bear it”. In 1st Corinthians 13:9 it says that we see in part and prophesy in part. An example of that can be found in 1 Kings 19:15-17 where we see God speaking to Elijah and declaring that he is to anoint two Kings and his own successor, an unknown and unproven prophet called Elisha. God tells Elijah very clearly that he is to anoint his successor and that Elisha will take out the enemies that the two kings missed. That in itself speaks of a person not having all the components or pieces to process what God is establishing. For us today, it really speaks of our need to partner up with Ekklesia to establish that bigger picture of what God is doing. Then we see Elijah strike and part the water with his cloak. It was not until Elisha picked up Elijah’s coat and struck the same water, duplicating that power whereby the 50 other prophets recognized Elisha as the successor to Elijah. It appears these guys did not get the memo and only saw in part. Not all will see the bigger picture of what is happening. Some will see in part and only a few will understand what God is really doing. During these end times, these latter days, the prophetic will be on the increase. Just as reading the four gospels gives us a well rounded perspective, so will it be as we look through the many vantage points, and the many levels of maturity, to give us a full understanding of the prophetic direction for the season we have presently entered.

Training of a Prophet

A prophet’s message is like setting up a beachhead. The training to become that beachhead is a bit of a process. There is that whole issue of integrity that needs to be defined. A typical prophet going through the maturing process has to deal with his or her integrity. Walking upon those blurred lines will always get us in trouble, plus there is the potential of steering those around us into those same troubled waters.

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For a Prophet, there are three things that the Holy Spirit will send His refining fire upon as He sculptures prophetic people. One will be upon the language we use, and how that language needs to be the voice that truly represents heaven! Another will be upon our character and how that character needs to be that example as a model for others to follow! The last one is about the glory and who the voice is really representing. Is the One who is the driving force behind it all getting the recognition that He deserves?

Lack of integrity in a prophet will create a corporate black hole, followed by an ongoing spiritual body count as those in the gathering walk over the cliff with him. That is why the making of a prophet has always been a bit of a process. That process all depends on one's calling and personality, level of humility and integrity, and a willingness to submit to God who is using this process to define His character in us. I personally know prophets who have been in the molding process for over 20 years. God is faithful and He will get us all through the process for He is establishing a good work in us! At the end of the molding process we will become that insignia ring that He has designed us to be when stamping out prophetic language and authority.

The Call of a Prophet

The call to be a prophet is very different from the gift of prophecy, as is the anointing and authority different from one another. The call, like the gift of prophecy, is given by the sovereign will of the Holy Spirit.

2 Peter 1:19-21

“And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts; knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of the prophet, but men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”

Ephesians 4:11

“And he gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.”

Jeremiah 1:5

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

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Prophets are armed with being the eyes and ears for any gathering, — “let those who have ears hear what the Spirit is saying” The higher the prophetic revelation received by the prophet, the greater the impact that revelation will have as it all starts to unfold. God is still speaking to us today, and we would benefit greatly if we’d try and start hearing what the Spirit is saying through the prophets He has for us today.

Prophets are builders as they assist with building up through direction, encouragement and vision, similar to Haggai and Zechariah. Prophets help when laying down a foundation, as they train and teach others about prophetic ministry.

Prophets, as well as prophetic gifts, need to be handled through teamwork where there is accountability. With that in place, both the prophets and the body should mature together. If we are not careful to cultivate that place of accountability, it will cost us dearly down the road.

Maturing prophets must be willing to receive feedback. Prophecy needs to be weighed and tested, and the whole process needs to be done in a fitting way that allows all involved to mature.

Prophecy is a sign of God’s approval and a blessing upon a gathering, showing that God is actively present. A heightened sense and awareness of His presence is a clear sign to an unbeliever that God is really amongst us.

3 - 6 Let All Things be Done Decently

When coming together . . .

How is it then, brethren? When ye come together, every one of you has a psalm, has a doctrine, has a tongue, *has a revelation*, has an interpretation. ***Let all things be done for the building up.*** If any man speaks in an unknown tongue, let it be by two, or at the most by three, and that by course; and let one interpret. But if there be no interpreter let him keep silence in the ekklesia; and let him speak to himself, and to God. ***Let the prophets speak two or three***, and ***let others weigh what has been said.*** If anything be revealed to another that is seated by, let the first hold his peace. ***For you may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn***, and all may be comforted. And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints . . . Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues. Let all things be done decently and in order.” - **1st Cor. 14:26-40**

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So let's break it down . . .

Each one has a revelation.

At every gathering, the prophetic voice of God is present. Prophetic revelation is there to tap into. The gift of prophecy waits for its release. A well-connected group under a five-fold protocol could easily facilitate that. That prophetic word is probably all that is needed to unleash a miracle, unleash the glory of God, — and remember, love is the key.

Let all things be done for the building up.

Whatever is spoken needs to edify, refresh, renew, revive, instruct, exhort, and encourage. The voice needs to have the heart of God released into that person, event, or situation. As it strengthens it'll empower all those involved to move in the direction of the spoken word. As God is also one who readjusts, realigns and reconnects, — any words spoken in correction also needs to build up love.

Let the prophets speak two or three.

The heart of the Lord always flows in unity. Plus, it's the Holy Spirit's way of a public confirmation, and when two or three do speak, it may be packaged a little different from one another but it will always knit together for that bigger picture, especially if it's a prophetic word about Ekklesia shifting gears and pressing forward, or needing to leave something behind, — and love is the key.

And let others weigh what has been said.

Prophets are subject to other prophets and if they have been plugged in with the local Ekklesia then they will have the ability to test one another for the sake of just wanting to be accountable. Being accountable gives the false prophetic a short leash! Anything prophesied needs to encourage, edify and build up, and it should be armed with the wisdom of God to give it the breakthrough it needs, — and remember once again, love is the key.

For you may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn.

In any gathering, prophets are to be that example of how prophetic ministry needs to function, knowing that the main reason for a people to gather is to reveal that the Bride of Christ can rise up together. A true prophet is a friend of God, a mature prophet is one that is not only a friend, but has the wisdom to know how to test any word to prevent the sheep from stampeding the pen, — and yes love is key.

3 - 7 The Counterfeit is Closer than you Think

(This Section 3-7 is also covered in Section 4-5)

As we enter into this important provision that the Lord has for us, there will also be a corresponding increase of the false prophetic, and false prophets, — and based on the last season that we just came out of, these ones have real power! They have the ability to twist any prophetic language to the untrained. So we really need to plumb the prophetic up for these last days so that all is protected. We do not want to become prey to the schemes and devices from the adversary. We want to be moving in the direction that the Lord has for us! Prophetic language is a powerful force, for it is the voice of God! The adversary's plan has always been to steal that voice and create a counterfeit. The Lord Jesus said in Matthew 23:34, "Therefore, behold, I am sending you prophets and wise men and scribes." He also said in Matthew 24:11, "And many false prophets will arise, and will mislead many." Based on what He said, we can expect the false to show up in the camp. Because prophetic ministry is part of equipping the saints, you will find those who walk in the distortion of the prophetic standing right in the very midst of our own camps. That's a given! What we have found in the past is that those strong horses within our own camps have taken the prophetic and punched it through their own cookie cutter molds, which always ends up being a distortion from the real deal, creating only casualties and division. When it's all about personal gain and ministry recognition, it will eventually go over the cliff, and when it does, the blame shifting kicks into gear as the spiritual body count starts to pile up.

3 - 8 Prophetic Ministry - Past Misalignments

Because of the prophetic ministry misalignment during the last season, — what was meant to be a beautiful family planning moment, ended up as a hunting season gone wild on a prophetic that went rogue. The prophetic took some huge hits as it lost its covering, and because of that the adversary walked away with an incredible amount of property. Once again the thief was hard at work critically disarming the prophetic. Sure, there are some puffed up statistics out there, but the battle was lost and the people were scattered.

It was over ten years ago that John Paul Jackson made a visit to our city, and as he entered a house jammed with leaders young and old, he began sharing how the Lord directed him to this area. He stated that what this city thought was the beginnings of another Azusa Street Revival, was actually a spiritual black plague creating nothing but casualties from a war gone wrong, and the body count was piling up. Through presumption, this city engaged in something that she was never called into.

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Somehow, prophetic ministry started carving inroads through a false anointing. The actual call was to enter into a time of prophetic worship, a time to reside in God's glory, to bathe in His presence as the **Lord of the breakthrough** would begin tearing down the city walls (like Jericho). But, instead, the church took to the frontlines with a whole different agenda. The prophetic somehow jumped strategies and the counterfeit now led them into a battle that this west coast city could never win. Not only did the prophetic miss the actual call, but it started to flow in some unsanctified forms of the prophetic, meaning that the mixed waters, and the strange fires were being justified through the warped prophetic, which was now leading the way. All because leaders were not accountable to the rest of the gathering. There was no real teamwork, just an autocratic system gone bad.

The movement lacked genuine love and genuine unity. There was no honor and the raising and releasing of young leaders was a rarity. The old were not connecting with the young and it was amazing how the young actually carried the accurate word of the Lord, but because of the disconnect, — it never made it to the frontlines. The wheels eventually fell off and a twenty-year prophetic season came to an end.

The bizarre thing is that during those twenty years some of the best teachings on the prophetic and prophetic ministry came to light. But somehow with all the amazing revelation coming forward, this model of prophetic ministry could not take this movement to the finish line!

When the writing hit the wall, one of the greatest prophets in our time came to visit us and said “It would be a real shame if the light went out in this house”. Well the very house where he spoke, known as the prophetic house, also known as the eagles nest, was being positioned as a global apostolic centre. However it dimmed down and dwindled from an initial gathering of 1700 to around 200. The national statistics, at that time, mentioned that up to 80% of North America left the building. Like prophetic birds on a wire, — we watched another movement come and go.

It was a realization that in all these years we have never matured in the prophetic, not only locally but also nationally. We saw the most gifted people struggle with the maturing process. Over thirty years ago, we entered the initial season of releasing the prophetic, and because of the mishandling, we entered a season of prophetic reformation only to watch a massive group of the people scattered while holding onto some of the most amazing material regarding prophetic ministry. Now, presently, we have landed into a season that could very well be called prophetic reconciliation, or prophetic alignment. But tucked away in that hidden place, God was preparing a people, a remnant, a final gathering who will run with a revelation of Ekklesia and Prophetic Ministry as to its original design! God has prepared a fresh new season to expand His family. He has prepared a people and prophetic ministry for a time such as this, and He is planning to take this movement to the finish line.

3 - 9 Prophetic Ministry Under Ekklesia

(This Section 3-9 is also covered in Section 4-4)

Under Ekklesia, prophetic accountability is huge. As we are entering into the greatest season ever, the prophetic is even more critical, especially if a big part of where we are heading is going to be determined through prophetic revelation. We may not all be called to operate as a prophet, but we are all called to play our part in a prophetic voice that was meant to paint a much bigger picture. For the times that we are entering, prophetic ministry will not only become a vital part of who we are, but it will be very critical to any gathering not only for its success, but also for its survival.

A dramatic increase in prophecy, dreams, and visions will be upon us in these latter days. This is, in fact, one of the great signs for the last days. Therefore, as we are entering into this new season we can expect prophetic revelation to increase. Those who try to avoid the issue of the prophetic, which is to do away with the Lord's provision in the directional rhema word during these latter days, will become increasingly subject to the enemy's schemes as he tries to manhandle the gathering as a whole once again.

The Lord has given us this provision so that we may accomplish His purposes. To reject any of the prophetic resources that He provides would be foolish on so many levels. The prophetic is not just good signage on the roadway that we find ourselves travelling on, — it is going to be the detailed revelation needed for the times ahead. It's more than a sign, — it is the needed provision that will allow us to interact and enter into the season ahead. And in most cases, if it is directional, the revelation could very well be time sensitive.

For the season that is before us, we really don't have the allotted time needed to walk out another fifteen to twenty year, hit and miss prophetic season. This is not a learning curve option for us today. But those that have walked in some level of prophetic in the last season now need to step up their game for the rest of the team. This means taking all revelation and language that has been entrusted to them prophetically, and modeling it under Ekklesia. What they have learned and understood now needs to function on an apostolic level which means allowing the prophetic to serve and function through the five-fold (Apostle, Prophet, Pastor, Evangelist, Teacher), mentors releasing a model that can be both transferable and powerful as it demonstrates signs wonders and healings, leaving a trail of restoration behind as it moves deeper into the harvest field. The revelation given will dictate how many of the five within the fold are needed to process what was prophetically spoken. When modeling this, it is safe to say that we will always end up on the side of Godly wisdom, followed by the needed restoration that has attached itself to the revelation, with God being glorified!

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The Fathers and Mothers that God is about to release for this amazing season now need to model God's provision of prophetic revelation through His Ekklesia model!

Doing this will give us a walking example of a lost model that is now being restored before our eyes. It will take spiritual moms and dads, who are not familiar with this new model, some time in getting used to the functionality of this vehicle the way it is intended. The power that is going to come out of this model of prophetic ministry will be on a whole different level. The first reaction these moms and dads might have is to default this movement through that old familiar cookie cutter, — but we need to ask Jesus every time we engage, what His thoughts are regarding His Father's Kingdom and what is the leading part of the Holy Spirit, — who is initiating the unfolding of it all? "It's your Kingdom that wants to land Lord. What part are you wanting us to play? Your Kingdom come! Your will be done!"

This walking out of prophetic ministry under Ekklesia is not just an option, it is essential if the team is going to have continuance, longevity and power! Through Ekklesia, having the five-fold as our operating system, we can now guard the entire flock. All can be protected! No sheep will be left behind, and since scripture indicates that prophetic revelation will be one of the most important issues during this latter season, we, too, must give it the attention it deserves and handle it the way it needs to be handled. We need to shift into a gear where we are protecting the group as a whole, for the whole Bride of Christ needs to arise as one. It's not about being right anymore with your prophetic revelation. When right is right and it all goes sideways leaving a trail of division, then it's not right.

3 - 10 Prophetic Ministry Conclusion

I have come to realize that prophetic ministry, prophetic revelation and prophetic intelligence always has a way of appearing when the Kingdom of heaven is being defined before us. I realize that many, if not most, have no true understanding of how this heavenly Kingdom actually functions. The massive impact of this heavenly Kingdom was realized when Jesus came and clearly stated that He was here to take care of His Father's business and His Father's Kingdom. If the adversary had known that the Father placed His Kingdom here on earth through His Son he would not have nailed Jesus to the cross, because the moment He did, the unleashing of that Kingdom intensified, — and for us, prophetic ministry became standard equipment!

When I first came into that spiritual Kingdom I was awestruck at the initial heavenly impact, but as time went by my perspective of this Kingdom changed from the rose garden that I once perceived it to be. The heavenly Kingdom here on earth started to look more like a battlefield. Through my own misguided conclusions I found myself in a place where getting stomped on in the rose garden became a regular thing, and I wondered how that was even possible to be part of this heavenly Kingdom and at the same time get absolutely stepped on. This new Kingdom was looking more like the place I came out of. So after doing a bit of homework I realized I had neglected to understand the corporate dynamics of this heavenly Kingdom. Like the animal kingdom, where there are certain parameters, so it is with the heavenly Kingdom! I realized that it was very important for me to grasp how this Kingdom relates to the present reality and how to recognize this invisible world within this present world. John the Baptist said that the Kingdom of heaven is at hand, and then Jesus came and said that it was here. His Father's Kingdom had arrived with supernatural power to set people free. Prophetic ministry is here to stay! Processing prophetic revelation was now part of a new culture under a new covenant!

It is those first true recipients that ate and drank the message of the Kingdom that unleashed the apostolic government that was patterned after heaven, — a five-fold functioning in Ekklesia, backed with powerful revelations by the very one known as “The Spirit of Prophecy”. In the time of Jesus, the world was awestruck with His new teaching of the Kingdom, along with its constant demonstrations of how that Kingdom functions. The gospel of this new Kingdom didn't include the rebuilding of a physical kingdom, but the unleashing of a heavenly Kingdom here on earth. “Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done.” — a Kingdom ministry unleashed by an apostolic prophetic ministry to take on the kingdom of darkness. These kingdoms are in constant conflict, attacking and counter attacking, the Kingdom of light battling the kingdom of darkness. Most of the time I never knew how thick the battle really was. I would sense the possibility of neutral grazing zones but the truth about grazing came at a great personal cost.

For offensive and defensive reasons, it is imperative that we not only understand prophetic ministry as it is meant to be, but that we also learn to walk in the wisdom of the One who really is behind it all. Walking with His Ekklesia, functioning with His five-fold, moving with His prophetic model, will take us deep into the harvest field, for Jesus has plans for a glorious finish!