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4 - 1 Revelation Introduction

This is the FIRST Step when engaged with prophetic ministry.

Tapping into prophetic revelation is really an encounter with the heart of God. We are tapping into the voice of God that is reflecting the things that are upon His heart. With the activation of that voice, the whole process of prophetic revelation now kicks into gear, and with that voice comes the wisdom of God, — a wisdom that has the ability to build up, tear down, and release absolutely anything for His divine purposes. When engaged, you are actually walking in the Spirit. You have entered the language of God, for it is He Himself that has cleared the way for that one-on-one communication, and that communication could take on many forms, — through dreams and visions, through the rhema word, or even by receiving a revelation through His creation. It is the language of God giving clarity towards a much bigger picture. The amazing thing about that voice, that revelation, is that it always has a way of drawing us deeper into what He has in store for us and with the potential of knowing Him better as a person. Our God loves to communicate. He loves to talk and He so wants to walk things out with us, not only individually but also corporately. This revelation has a way of bringing that needed light upon a path that seems so dark at times. It's that needed shift that brings alignment into the very thing that God is wanting to align within us or within those that we are ministering to, or to us a group. This revelation has the ability to knit the dynamics needed to move us forward individually and corporately. The reality is that there is so much depth to any Godly revelation that the responsibility is huge when processing it, for getting this initial step wrong, will only cause prophetic ministry to miss its mark completely, causing those to stray from its initial target. That's why it is important to get this foundational step right when entering prophetic language. This section called "Revelation" reveals how we need to bring all revelation into its proper alignment. This is so vital!

4 - 2 Jesus the Revealer of Prophetic Revelation

With the damage done to creation by sheer disobedience, and the debt that occurred through that disobedience, along with the continual usurping, the cost for restoration was brought to the forefront, — and so the price was paid. With redemption and restoration kicking into gear, that now needs to be communicated in our fractured world. Prophetic Ministry has a way of bringing things back into alignment through the communication streams known as prophecy, the gift of prophecy, prophetic revelation, prophetic evangelism, prophetic healing, prophetic intercession, and even through the ministry of the prophet himself. Jesus excelled in all of these streams! In Matthew, Jesus is the King revealed! In Mark, He is portrayed as the redeeming one! In Luke, He is pictured as the reconciler, and in John, He is proclaimed as a regenerator, — one who makes all things new! When you think of all those titles, — revealer, redeemer, reconciler and regenerator, these are key components that prophetic ministry needs to flow out of. For the prophetic to have the needed power and longevity for the season that we are about to enter into, we need to start aligning our prophetic language with these same qualities!

Jesus says in John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man come unto the Father, but by me." and in Acts 4:12 Peter says: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is no other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." So if there is only one way, then the basis of prophetic ministry really needs to be steering us not only individually but also corporately into that one way. He is not only the way, but He is also the chief cornerstone, the foundation, the builder, — and as a matter of fact He is the one who has already empowered it. So if He is The Model, then we need to be going in that very direction that has been laid out for us. Through Him a powerful sacrifice was made to clear the way. He cleared the way for us. When analyzing it all, it's easy to see that Jesus is the central figure in everything that we are about to enter into! If that be true, then everything He did was an example for us.

John 12:32 says: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me." Now if He is drawing people unto Himself then we just need to make ourselves available to His plans. Pulling out the ministry props is what will get us into trouble. We just need to be available and move in that one direction. Also, if He is the living Word that became flesh, and dwelt amongst us, who is now seated in heaven, then we, as family members, must

become living conduits of that Word. This means that if we engage in any position, particularly within the Five-Fold ministry, we will need to accept the tremendous responsibility when handling and landing what we are called to do. When delivered, our service to others needs to bear fruit. It needs to be presented and served like apples of gold in settings of silver. Most importantly, if it is undertaken on behalf of the King, it needs to have that redeeming quality that He Himself walks in, never forgetting that any redemption package needs to be fully armed with love, — an unconditional love that is!

4 - 3 Prophetic Revelation under Jesus

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

The key purpose for those walking in prophetic language is to reveal the glorious wonders of Jesus, His character and the things that are upon His Father's heart.

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, 1 Corinthians 4:1

"For you can all prophesy one by one, so that all may learn and all may be exhorted. Pursue love, yet desire earnestly spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy."

Prophecy is a language. It's the rhema of God, the spoken word of God through His vessels that He has chosen. It includes whatever God desires to say about the past, present, and future. 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 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.

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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 that model.

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 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) and 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, as we walk out this present season, prophetic revelation will demonstrate its power far beyond what we could ever think or ever 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.

4 - 4 Prophetic Revelation under Ekklesia

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

Under Ekklesia, prophetic accountability is huge. As we are entering into the greatest season ever, the prophetic will be 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

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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 five-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!

This walking out of prophetic ministry under Ekklesia is not 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.

4 - 5 The Counterfeit and the False Prophetic

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

As I mentioned before, we are entering an important season of God's provision and an increase of the false prophetic. False prophets will arise at the forefront and based on the last season that we just came out of, — these ones have real power. Power to deceive and power to distort the voice of God. 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 now starts to pile up.

4 - 6 The Testimony of Jesus . . .

... is the Spirit of Prophecy Revelation 19:10

(This Section 4-6 is covered more in-depth in Section 2-4)

All true prophecy is His testimony. It comes from Him and draws us to Him. He has truly manifested Himself to us in so many different ways. He is a Lion, and He is also a Lamb. He came as the Prince of Peace. He is the Rock, the Alpha and Omega, the Good Shepherd, the Bright and Morning Star, and Door of the Sheep. He is a Greater than Solomon, the unspotted Lamb, the True Light, the Word of God, the Vanquisher, the Wisdom of God, and Wonderful Counselor. He's the King of the Jews, the King of Israel, the King of Righteousness, the King of the Ages, the King of Heaven, the King of Glory, the King of Kings, and He is the Lord of Lords, and the list goes on and on, — over 200 to be exact. He supplies strength for the weak, He guards and guides. He heals the sick, cleanses the lepers, forgives sinners, discharges debtors, delivers the captives, defends the feeble, blesses the young, serves the unfortunate, regards the aged, rewards the diligent, and beautifies the meek. He is the key of knowledge, the wellspring of wisdom, the doorway of deliverance, the pathway of peace, the roadway of righteousness, the highway of holiness, and the gateway of glory, and yet He said that He came to bring a sword. 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.

4 - 7 Examples of Revelation at Work

A "Revelation" where the Natural spoke on the Supernatural on a Personal Level – actual event / The Prophetic Journey / Rick Groenheyde

In spite of these off-the-wall experiences, I'm really no different than any other guy who's trying to raise a family, pay his bills, and keep the wheels of commerce going, — except I find myself continually pulled between life's struggles and the processing of a prophetic voice that heaven grafted into my life. My life has been walking from storm to storm, surviving one only to find myself launched into another. It has been tough to see the end of the tunnel, and this day added to what became another long arduous week. Mentally challenged by the overwhelming circumstances in family and finances, I again felt pressed to the max. I tried so hard to make it work, only to come short again. Caught up in emotion, I drove down the road, not knowing where I was going, but thinking that perhaps if I drove fast enough the weight of the world might drop off my shoulders.

I looked up and asked if it was possible to smile in the midst of the surrounding storms. I continued down the road and ended up driving right into an actual storm. Darkness fell all around me. Then out of the darkness beams of light broke through the clouds and landed around my car. A rainbow appeared, arching from one side of the road to the other, and the rays of sunbeams glistened upon every single raindrop that was falling. The twinkling of raindrops upon that dark backdrop looked like diamonds as they were hitting my windshield. What an amazing sight! As I drove through the rainbow with diamonds falling all around me, I had to smile. Right then I looked up realizing just how creative heaven can get when answering prayer. God, you are amazing.

A "Revelation" where a Vision spoke of a Spiritual Alignment on a Corporate Level – actual event / The Prophetic Journey / Rick Groenheyde

In a vision there were four of us in a circle facing each other. A small fiery ball of golden yellow bright light appeared beside our heads. I saw the light enter the left temple of the person beside me and as it passed through the center of his head and behind his eyes. His eyes beamed with an amazing golden light. Then it slowly exited the right temple and went into the left temple of the next person. His eyes also lit up

with that golden light. When it entered my left temple and moved behind my eyes everything I viewed had a bright golden hue to it. This golden light just beamed out of my eyes. Then it left my right temple. When I woke up I could still feel the effects of that bright golden light on the back of my eyeballs. All day I felt a weird sensation behind the back of my eyes.

When I asked heaven about the golden light, — this was the response, "And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to His temple for He is like a refiner's fire and like fuller's soap. He will purify the sons and purge them as gold and silver, and when tested they shall come forth as gold." I realized the dream represented a people whom heaven plans to establish, a people refined to the point where they will not misrepresent or misinterpret the voice of the Lord.

4 - 8 Revelation Conclusion

The Greatest Revelation

It's amazing what I have discovered about this one called "Jesus".

First of all the word "massive" is probably too small to describe Him, — and when He said He's "Alpha and Omega" He was not kidding. The power behind that name is impressive. I've seen it firsthand. He is the chief cornerstone and that solid foundation. He is the revelation of that solid rock as discovered by Peter.

Everything starts with Him and it will all end with Him, and when it comes to prophetic ministry, it, too, all needs to line up with Him. He is the mystery of the invisible God that has become visible. That was a stunning revelation to me, — God manifested in the flesh. He is creator, revealer, savior and mediator, and I've seen Him in action. That I cannot deny! He is omnipotent and omnipresent; He really is the ultimate King of kings. I have found that outside of Jesus, there is no wider, deeper, greater, broader, higher dimension known. When I spoke out His name to the dark influences, it was like pulling out a 44 magnum in the spirit. There is amazing authority in that name and those bad boys do find themselves vacating. In heaven He is recognized as the undisputed heavyweight. I have come to realize that He is the highest ranking official and the top administrator in heaven. He is the Spirit of Prophecy. His words are powerful, and the prophetic ministry that He has demonstrated needs to be part of our tool crib. I realized that if He is that powerful, then I'm sealing every one of my prophetic prayers with His name, — the name of Jesus!