

PREPARING FOR THE PROPHETIC!

1. Why do I need a Prophet in my life?

Eph 4:11 And [*His gifts to the church were varied and*] He Himself appointed some as apostles, some as prophets, some as evangelists and some as pastors and teachers.

I Cor 12:28-30 And in the church God has appointed (Leadership gifts) first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?

Jesus, Himself, gave the New Testament Prophet to the local church and anything that Jesus has for me- I want! New Testament Prophets are a blessing to the local church!

2. Who is to say whether or not my prophecy is from God?

1 John 4:1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit [*speaking through a self-proclaimed prophet*]; instead test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets *and* teachers have gone out into the world.

The Old Testament Prophet judged you, but the New Testament Prophet is judged BY you. It's always wise to hold on to a prophecy that you may not understand at first. Either way, you are responsible for hearing from God Himself and deciding if your prophecy is from Him.

3. Is my Prophecy a word for word verbatim from the mouth of God?

I Corinthians 14:32 The spirits of the prophets are subject to prophets.

Every Pastor, Teacher, Prophet, Evangelist, etc has a human brain, mouth, personality, vocabulary, etc. God is filtering His word to you through another person. This is why we need a personal relationship with Jesus in order to understand our prophecy. Even when God speaks to you directly, He is filtering His Word through your language, mind, heart, etc.

4. Can any Christian prophecy?

I Cor 14:31 For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged.

Any Christian can hear from God, or read the Bible, and then speak to others. But the GIFT of a Prophet is much more anointed and detailed than simply prophesying. Just like anyone can preach the Gospel, but a gifted Teacher or Pastor will have a different level of anointing.

5. Do I HAVE to have a prophet in my life?

Hebrews 1:1 In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets, but now God has spoken to us directly through His Son.

You don't HAVE to have a Pastor, Teacher, etc. But if you want to fulfill your destiny, you will need the training from a Pastor, direction from a Prophet, and wisdom from a Teacher.

6. Does the prophet know EVERYTHING about me?

I Corinthians 13:9 For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

Only God knows EVERYTHING about you. If the prophet knew everything about you, you wouldn't need a relationship with Jesus, or the life changing power of the Word of God.

7. What if I don't understand my prophecy?

I Tim 1:18 In accordance with the prophecies concerning you, by them you may fight the good fight...

Hold on to your prophecy and listen to it over and over again throughout your life. At some point, it will become very clear.

8. Will the prophet say something negative about me?

Eph 4:29 Only say what is beneficial for the spiritual progress of others, and at the right time, that it may be a blessing to those who hear. Do not grieve the Holy Spirit...

I Cor 14:3 but he that prophesies (speaks God's message to people) speaks to men and women for their spiritual progress, encouragement, and comfort.

1 Corinthians 13:2 If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have absolute faith so as to move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

As a New Testament prophet, you will only be encouraged. Even if there is a life or death situation, a New Testament prophet will know how to warn you in a positive way.

Lastly, let me encourage you to-

1. Expect a great word from God.
2. Record your prophecy with your phone, and listen to it several times each year. It will become more and more powerful and clear in your life as you grow in God.
3. Ask God to reveal to you what your prophecy means.
4. Be content- don't FORCE your prophecy. Obey God in your life, and it will come to pass.
5. Give toward MOUNTAIN OF WINDS ministry (MOW). You can use the credit card machine at the back of church (and put the receipt in the tithe box), or make checks out to MOW.
6. Please make sure your cell phone is on silent, and feel free to quickly and quietly exit IN BETWEEN prophecies when the Prophet is on the opposite side of the room as your self.

Thank you and God Bless!