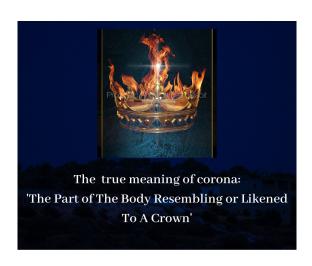


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PROPHETIC WORD JANUARY 5 2020

'Prophetic Word As We Step Into 2020 and A New Decade

Father keeps SPEAKING to me of Genesis and His Creation. 'As divine sons we are the morning stars for all eternity and heirs of the cosmos. We are His once and future family, once and future council and once and future rulers with Christ over all the nations.' (M. Heiser, The Unseen Realm)

The faithful are stepping into their season of Harvest - for those who have stood faithful in this last season of testing, firing and trial. We will see promises beginning to be fulfilled and breakthrough for the faithful. "And don't allow yourselves to be weary or disheartened in planting good seeds, for the season of reaping the wonderful harvest you've planted is coming! Take advantage of every opportunity to be a blessing to others, especially to our brothers and sisters in the family of faith." (Galatians 6:9 TPT)

God is asking us to leave Egypt behind, out of its narrow mindedness and remember we have crossed into Jordan. Here we receive houses we did not build and drink

from wells we did not dig. There are giants in the land but we are TO DECLARE, Pey, that everywhere the souls of our feet touch is His land. We are reclaiming the land! No longer shall the land be called desolate but it shall be called 'beulah' betrothed. As the true Sons we are called to be CO-CREATORS DECLARING THE NEW DAY DAWNING. "As He is, so are we in this world." (I John 4:17) He is returning us to the truth of our divine origin. We have been living in an identity crisis. We are the Sons of the Most High God created in His image, carriers of His Glory!

This is the year of our rising. When we know His extravagant love for us nothing will hold us back. God will never forsake us but we have to practise life in Christ, then His presence will go with us.

This year our trust will increase as we joyfully include Jesus in all things. Joy will provide strength whenever we need it. So, this year DECREE the new joy-filled day dawning for yourself, your family, your community and the nations.

Dawn is breaking and we are beholding Him in His glory emerging from the mists of time. The Son is declaring a new day dawning. And we are caught up in the limitless possibilities of His outrageous love. THE VICTOR'S CROWN! You shall also be a CROWN OF GLORY in the Hand of the Lord and a Royal Diadem in the Hand of your God.

The trials you go through are training for the glorious destiny God has for us. The word TRIAL in Hebrew, TSARP, is the word for refining gold. The joy in the wilderness is a defining moment. The JOY of God's people is NOT determined by their struggles, but by their FUTURE DESTINY.

'The LORD your God is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory. He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will renew you with His love.' (Zeph. 3:17)

We need to take hold of the Living Word like never before so I will be quoting from the Scriptures.

LOVE

'My prayer for all of you is that your HEARTS will be wrapped in the comfort of Heaven and woven together into LOVE'S fabric. The certainty of your faith will give you access to all the riches of God as you experience the revelation of God's great mystery - CHRIST UNVEILED WITHIN YOU.' (Col.2:2)

As true believers our hearts, prayers and help should be going out constantly to comfort those who are suffering and those who have lost loved ones!

Through YOUR expression of LOVE and compassion, Christ is going to be unveiled to the world in unprecedented ways! This the time for our faith to arise in certainty that Christ lives IN US and THROUGH US.

'LOVE is the Place of Encountering His Presence. It's about the One! He is the Source and everything flows from that place. We enter in through the Agape Gate into perfect UNION.

Abandoned to the untamed wind of His Spirit. Wild and free, tethered to His reckless passion. Fearless in the roar of His spectacular governance (Shelagh)

So how do we remain fearless and strong during these unprecedented times? It is by going deeper into the Father's heart than we have even gone before. This is a time to be intentional turning neither to the left or the right, but fixing our eyes upon the KING OF LOVE. And if our courage fails, we can ask for more LOVE, knowing that His love is endless and knows no bounds! It cannot be contained! LOVE has

conquered every enemy, even death itself! This is the time to know the FATHER'S LOVE as your secure foundation, just as David did.

TRUE WORSHIPPERS

En Gedi

David wrote this psalm which I shared earlier this year. It came at one of the lowest points of his life. He was alone and running for his life looking for a hiding place. Yet the beautiful sounds of his praise were heard echoing in his isolated cave.

Psalm 34

Lord! I'm bursting with joy over what You've done for me!

My lips are full of perpetual praise.

I'm boasting of You and all Your works,

So let all who are discouraged take heart......

Gaze upon Him, join your life with His, and joy will come!

Your faces will glisten with glory.

You'll never wear that shame-face again......

The Lord is close to those whose hearts are crushed by pain....

Even when bad things happen to the good and godly ones,

The LORD WILL SAVE THEM AND NOT LET THEM BE DEFEATED BY WHAT

THEY FACE!

This is the time for true WORSHIPPERS like David to arise! Worshipping with all our heart, soul and mind. Let's remember we have begun the decade of the Pey where we have the words of life or death. Let's sing and speak out LIFE, reminding each other throughout each day of God's eternal goodness, our Olam, Everlasting Father, and the One in whom we live and move and have our being!

CORONA

I looked up the definition of corona and this is what it said: a part of the body resembling or likened to a crown. There is a prophetic picture here! We are to be the part of His Body that resembles and is likened to a crown. We are the head and not the tail! The other is a counterfeit! We are a royal priesthood and a chosen generation like no other. Don't let your crown slip! Speak of His GOODNESS at all times and in all places for He has CROWNED US WITH LOVING KINDNESS! And true happiness comes as we rise up in faith and receive the victorious CROWN of life promised to every one of His lovers.

And as David said, 'So let all who are discouraged take heart......

Gaze upon Him, join your life with His, and joy will come!'

Our understanding of Union is what will sustain us and provide joy which is our strength.

'...My beloved ones, be supernaturally enthused with strength through your LIFE-UNION with the Lord Jesus. Stand strong with the force of His explosive power flowing in and through you!' (Eph.6:10)

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

This is the time to rise up and not be passive. Aren't you excited that we have been called for such a time as this! And thought every other person seems to have an opinion of the present crisis, there is only one opinion that counts, and we'd better find out what Jesus is saying! Faith comes by hearing, hearing the Truth and the Word! I encourage and plead with you to immerse yourself in the living Word of Christ Himself. Go deep, deep and deeper into Him than you have ever been before. Shut yourself up, without distractions, so you can hear clearly what the Beloved is saying.

A TIME OF CONSTRUCTION

The Lord has impressed upon me that this is a time of CONSTRUCTION and we are to DIG DEEP DIGGERS! 'We are RISING like perfectly fitted stones of the temple and that we are CONNECTED to the Head Cornerstone of the building, the Anointed One, Jesus Christ Himself!'. (Eph.2:20) THINK ON THAT for a while! We are in a time of great shaking but on Christ the solid Rock we stand, all other ground is sinking sand. If we are not intentional about building our foundation on The Rock then we will indeed sink into despair. The world's fear and panic will suck the true life out of us and leave us paralysed and helpless. Let's stand firmly on the Word!

The entire Body 'is under construction and is continually growing under His supervision until it rises up completed as the Holy Temple of the Lord Himself! This means that God is transforming each on of us into the Holy of Holies His dwelling place, through the power of the Holy Spirit living in you!' (Eph.2:21b-22)

So why is it necessary to transform or reconstruct us if we are already in Christ? A good question! As I mentioned in Eph.2:20 'We are RISING like perfectly fitted stones' - this is continuous and ongoing work. God is allowing our foundational thinking to be shaken. It is being tested and everything that is not of Him is being burned up. The purpose being that we, as His Ecclesia, are to be the true, unadulterated Salt and Light to the World, holy and blameless before Him.

OUARANTINE

God's refining fire started for me in Israel and continues unabated during this time of quarantine and separation. And ouch it has really, really hurt. I mean it really hurts! The Lord's scalpel has been going deeply and swiftly to remove parts of the false identity I have been carrying in my life that have held me back for so long.

Beloved, He wants to reveal our true, redeemed identity so that we are strong and fearless. Breaking off the fear of man! Oh Beloved, don't be afraid of the Hand that disciplines for it is for our glory and His great pleasure! He is getting us ready for an unprecedented outbreak of His glory and we need to be ready. And REMEMBER that although the world may be in lockdown, our God is NOT in LOCKDOWN! This is not to demean the immense tragedy of what has been happening with the Corona Virus. But the Lord is preparing us to take full authority and dominion of the earth with Christ.

LIGHT AND SALT

JESUS says in 'YOU are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

YOU are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.' (Matthew 5:13-16)

THE COVENANT OF SALT

Salt appears 3 times in the Scriptures and implies an eternal, unbreakable covenant. God's Covenant of Salt was made with the Priesthood and Kings. We are part of the everlasting priesthood and kingdom. As sons of the Living God we are called to bring flavour to a world that is so often filled with despair and without meaning. Salt is also for healing. and is being used even now for those who are sick and dying. I bathed in the cleansing Dead Sea waters just a few weeks ago. This is what the Lord is saying to you, What you thought was dead will be restored! What you sowed in tears is going to bring forth a harvest!

WE CANNOT LIVE IN TWO CAMPS

'Now, therefore, fear the LORD and serve Him in sincerity and truth; cast aside the gods your fathers served beyond the Euphrates and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. But if it is unpleasing in your sight to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living. As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. (Joshua 24:14-15)

We cannot bring the 'Egypt' mentality into this Promised Land! As Sons of the Living God we are facing grasshoppers not giants in the Land. But this can only be seen through God's perspective. What are you seeing and hearing right now?

CLOSE

As we approach Easter let us not forget the words of Paul in Colossians 1: And by the blood of His cross, everything in Heaven and earth is restored and brought back to Himself - back to its original intent.....Continue to advance in faith, assured of a firm foundation to grow upon. Never be shaken from the hope of the Gospel you have believed! And never, never, never give up!

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