

Call to Prayer – Pam Yates 13.02.22

Session 6 – Prophecy

Peter 1 v 20-21 Above all, you must understand that no prophecy or Scripture came about by the prophets own interpretations of things.

Approximately 25% of the bible was written as prophecy, an amount which is equal to the size of the New Testament. There are roughly 1,239 prophecies in the Old Testament, and 578 in the New the purposes are.

a) To reveal God's will in the events of history, particularly as it manifests itself in the judgement of evil, the deliverance from judgement, the bestowal of blessing.

b) *Revelation 19 v 10b Worship God! For it is the spirit of prophecy who bears testimony to Jesus. For prophecy never had it's origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.*

The first one to prophecy was God himself. He is the first to operate on the principles of calling these things be not as they are.

Ezk 37 v 10 So I prophesied as God commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet – a vast army.

Romans 4 v 17 As it is written, " I have made you a Father of many nations. He is the father in the sight of God, in whom we have believed- the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

Jeremiah 23 v 28-29 Let the prophet who has a dream recount the dream, but let the one who has My word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain declares the Lord.

Many of the great prophets, Daniel, Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Amos, Zechariah to name just a few, were given prophecies to them at a time when the nation of Israel was going through difficult times. Jonah prophesied that God would destroy Nineveh in forty days, but he withheld his wrath when the people repented. Often symbols are used to get the readers attention. In the book of revelation, it is full of visions and symbols given to John on the Island of Patmos.

PROPHETIC WORDS TO ISRAEL *Genesis 22 v 17- 18 I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.*

Ezekiel 36 v 24-26 For I will take you out of the nations, I will gather you from all countries and bring you back into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idol. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you ; I will remove from you your heart of stone, and give you a heart of flesh.

God's time piece is focused entirely on the prophetic scriptures for Israel.

PROPHECY IN THE CHURCH I always remember a well respected bible teacher, who was an authority on Israel, whom we had the privilege of working with, once said there was enough prophecy in the bible, without making any more! I will leave you to make up your own conclusions! Men & women of God who have prophesied in this last century and more recently I respect, would be Smith Wigglesworth, Jean Darnell, Clifford Hill, David Noakes .

How do we know if a prophetic word is true?

There are nine principles for judging prophecy.

1) *1Cor 14 v 29 -32 Two or three prophets should speak, and the others should weigh carefully what is said. And if a revelation comes to someone who is sitting down, the first speaker should stop. For you can all prophecy in turn so that everyone may be instructed and encouraged. The spirits of prophets are subject to the control of prophets. For God is not a God of disorder, but of peace- as in all the congregations of the Lord's people.*

2) *1John 4 v1 Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognise the Spirit of God. Every spirit that recognises that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God.*

3) *Gal 5 v 22-23 Prophecy must bear fruit and agree with the Holy Spirit in conduct and character.* False prophets come as wolves in sheep clothing. They look fine, they talk fine, but they are being manipulated by a wrong spirit. They have a need to draw attention to themselves, and their own self importance.

4) *Duet 18 v 22 If what a prophet proclaims in the Name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is a message the Lord has not spoken.*

5) *Duet 13 1-3 If a prophet encourages to follow other Gods, this is false.* Any form of control over another person is witchcraft.

6) *Romans 8 v 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.* True prophecy produces liberty and freedom.

7) *Corinthians 3 v 6 the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.* Prophecy inspired by the Holy Spirit, brings life to a service, if it is not God it will quench the spirit.

8) *How the prophecy is given, will witness with your spirit.*

9) *Duet 13 1-3* A prophecy that comes true, but does not give God all the glory and honour to the Lord Jesus Christ is a spirit of divination.

Final Prayer

Thank you Father so much for Your Word, and the many gold nuggets that are hidden in it. Thank you for the fresh revelations that you have given us through this course. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, may they be embedded deep within our hearts, and may our hearts remain tender to the voice of the master, and be obedient to His calling. Our captain is sounding the clarion call, raising a mighty army of intercessors, positioning for a release of His presence upon the earth, to facilitate and usher in His kingdom in these last days. No qualifications necessary! Only a surrendered heart and a passion to see God's purposes unfold in these crucial days. God needs you, Is He calling You ? Will you respond?

Richest blessings Pam