

Prophetic Training

Part 1: God's Heart for the Prophetic

Core Values – Jesus said you know not what spirit you are of

I. God's Heart for Prophecy

- A. Rev 19:10 for the testimony (evidence given) of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy
- B. Num 11:29 "Oh, that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put His Spirit upon them."
- C. I Cor. 14:31 "For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged."
- D. I Cor. 14:1 Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.
- E. Acts 2:17, Joel 2:28 And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.
- F. Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord God does nothing, unless He reveals His secrets to His servants the prophets – so they can speak.

II. What it is,

- A. Man speaking on behalf of God
- B. Revealing God's perspective
 - 1. How we see ourselves
 - 2. How we see God

III. What it does

- A. I Cor. 14:3 . . . "he who prophesies speaks edification, exhortation and comfort."
 - 1. God is committed to His own word
 - 2. *Prophecy is also a means by which vision and expectation are prompted and provided, by which people are pulled out of passivity and negligence
 - a. edify – strengthened (*put beams in a building*)
 - b. exhortation – motivated by love (*call near*)
 - c. comforted – loved on
- * example of Zarubabbe's Temple
12 years in idleness
Haggai – Zachariah "I am with you says the Lord"

IV. Difference of Old Testament and New Testament prophets

- 1. Old Testament called to a rebellious nation
- 2. New Testament called to a preparing bride
 - a. Ex: Acts 13:1-3