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DEDICATION

I dedicate this book solely to The Lord Jesus Christ, who by The Holy Spirit granted unto me access into certain spiritual truths and mysteries in the prophetic which I know were beyond my normal range of sight to be able to understand, comprehend and document for the benefit and edification of all. I also want to dedicate this book to everyone that so desire to function in the prophetic, and to those that care so much to have an understanding of how the prophetic functions and influence the earth from the heavens. The prophetic and vision have never been exclusive, preserved for a few elites, it is a realm that is open to all by God. *The Prophetic Generation* is a manifestation that all are called into in God. May you not be excluded from the manifestation and functioning of the prophetic in our day and time!

Blessings to you all! Philip Cephas

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THE PROPHETIC GENERATION



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Knowingly or unknowingly, we are called a prophetic people who are to function in the apostolic mandate. It has always been my desire to write a book on the prophetic. I do not claim to be a final and absolute authority in the area of the prophetic and vision, but I write as a man that has received grace and mercy from God to be trustworthy. In times past, holy men were inspired by God and moved by The Holy Spirit to document the dealings of God in their lives and that of others as a pathway and a pattern on how God relates with mankind.

The documentation gave their descendants the guideline to follow after God. We have testaments and epistles of Jesus Christ written in the scriptures because holy men were inspired by God and moved by The Holy Spirit to document events throughout history in relating with God dealing with mortal men. This testaments and epistles of the dealings of

God overtime became a template and a manuscript for the discipline of people, tribes and nations.

Many people consider the prophetic to be very complicated, but there is nothing really complicated about it as many were meant to believe. Nothing is complicated about God and His discipline, except if it has not been revealed to you. God Himself is a mystery, and you cannot comprehend Him if He does not reveal Himself to you. When God sees the desire of your heart and how determined you are to see Him, He positions Himself for you to encounter Him and see Him in His glory.

As you journey into God seek that His mysteries be opened and revealed to you so that you can grasp His manifold wisdom in time to function on earth. It will amaze you to know that an average believer doesn't even know how to hear God when He speaks while others that can hear Him are still perplexed about how to recognize His voice continually. Therefore, they both linger between which voice is true and which is profane. If you cannot hear God speak to you personally, how can you hear Him for another person's situation? Hearing God speak in a situation is a dilemma to many believers in the body of Christ today. You must realize that you are the first prophet in your life and God will always want to speak and talk to you directly without the aid of a medium except if you cannot perceive Him and in His desperation to speak to you, He uses another person to speak by prophecy to you.

'Nobody hears God from a troubled heart and mind.' It does not matter what your situation is or how terrible and terrifying your circumstances are, you will not hear God and understand His perspective if you are confused in heart and mind. When you are in such a state, you will allow the situation to overcome and consume you, therefore, if God is speaking to you; you will not hear Him. That is why every true minister of the gospel is not afraid and consumed by the situation presented to him. Don't allow the present circumstances make you lose faith in the ability of God to deliver you. Don't set your eyes on the challenge, but set your eyes on Christ Jesus who can deliver.

Always be at peace with God in your heart so that He can permit His goodwill to follow you. Let the peace of The LORD flood your heart even in times of trouble. That peace is what God will use to speak to you as He releases His strength and grace to you. God is always speaking to us, but we just don't pay close attention to His speaking. God's Spirit is a speaking and a talking spirit.

You must develop the capacity and energy to be able to hear and perceive the speaking of God within His frequency in the spiritual realm. Since there is a realm of mortals and of angels, there is also the realm of God. The speaking of God is seen and heard in the spiritual realm via His own frequency. The spirit realm transmits different frequencies of communication of which you access them according to your spiritual range of sight.

We must be sensitive to The Holy Spirit because He is the one that can guide us in our dealings with God. Anytime you hear God speak to you, you have become a medium for His use. You can hear God speak to you about yourself or another person's situation, giving you the wisdom to proffer solution to the person's challenge.

Prophets are people that have received an ordination from God to relate His heart and desires to people. All through the Old Testament, God ordained prophets to speak His mind and desires to His people, but the rebellion still continued in the heart of His people. God had to design a better plan and pattern to communicate to His people of which Jesus Christ came and became the summation of the law and the prophets.

God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds.

Hebrews 1:1-2

Prophets are saddled with the responsibility from God to communicate His heart to the people and to relate the need of the people back to Him. They serve as mediums in which people reach God and Him to them. In the Old Testament, God ordained prophets and set them over many people as seen in the likes of Isaiah, David,

Samuel, Jeremiah and even Moses. Moses cried wishing that his spirit be shared among many so that the burden upon him can be reduced. God answered his request and 70 men were selected to receive a share of his spirit to function in the prophetic. The same applied to Elijah and Elisha, Moses and Joshua, and other cases through the scriptures where people shared in the spirit of a prophet.

In times past, God's Spirit was concentrated on a man or a selected few to become prophets over the people of God. These selected few spoke the counsel of God to all and the prophecy spoken by these prophets always came to pass. That was possible in the Old Testament, but in the New Testament, it was written that "I will put my laws in their heart and no one will have to teach the other to know The LORD." This was earlier prophesied by the prophet Joel. We have seen in this day and age that God has poured out His Spirit upon us all so that we all can become prophetic in nature, to understand and perceive His speaking and movement upon the earth. With the fulfilment of this prophecy, everyone can now become prophetic and prophesy, but not necessarily function in the prophetic office.

Have you ever dreamt before? Or seen a vision before? Or even heard God speak to you knowingly or unknowingly before? A lot of people never realize that they are prophetic in nature by God's design. If you have ever perceived God in any form before –dreams, revelation, vision, trances etc, then, it is that prophetic nature of God in you that is seeking expression. Prophets also have the same spiritual prophetic experiences which they must go through to ensure their development overtime so that they can be useful vessels.

What is your idea of a prophet? Many people have prophesied before whether knowingly or unknowingly. A prophet does nothing other than to hear God speak to him about personal, national and international issues. I consider them friends of God and a people that understand the language and speaking of God. They always take every prophetic experience they have serious and have developed a pattern of hearing God overtime. The very day you decide to utilize the few encounters and experiences God gives you, you will begin to see an improvement in the prophetic in your life.

God desires that we all should hear and represent Him as a prophetic people. God has always been speaking to you and telling you the things to do that will bring Him glory. Many people are waiting for a day that a lightning bolt and thunder will strike them with a loud voice from heaven saying, 'I am your Lord and God, now rise up and function in my power and might' No! No!! No!!! it doesn't happen that way always. The little experiences and encounters you have, are similar to the encounters and experiences that the people you called prophets in the body of Christ do have just that they always utilize and respond to God whenever He speaks to them.

No prophet is born in a day, it takes seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months and years of training to achieve and attain unto that pedestal. We must learn to value little encounters and dealing process so that we can move higher in God. As an individual, I always value my dreams, visions, revelations and every prophetic experiences that I have in God. When I have an experience, I always try to find a meaning to the experience in relating to God's dealings with me. I believe God is not playing and kidding with me, He must have been trying to speak and communicate something to me in the prophetic experiences and if I can decipher it, it will place me upon a new paradigm.

The prophetic is the mechanism in which God communicates with us and the people that master the act of the prophetic are called prophets. The process of speaking and reiterating the speaking of God is called prophesy. The words that is spoken is called prophecy. Prophetic people always value the means and the mechanism God uses to speak to them. There is nothing really special the prophets have that you do not have, except that they value the speaking of God more often than you do.

The day you begin to value the speaking of God and the prophetic experiences He gives you, then you will become like the prophets that represent God relating His heart to others. Prophets and prophetic people are always jealous about the things of God and His kingdom, they do all in their power to see His kingdom enthroned in a place.

Vision is the process of visualizing or seeing a thing, event or a caption. It is a mental picture or an imaging of a desired future. It may or may not make sense, but there is picture, a painting created and an

image formed. God speaks, but His speakings are mostly in pictures, signs and symbols. The audible voice of God is heard once upon a time, but His speakings are perceive within the heart as He gives visions in pictures, signs, numbers and symbols to us daily.

God loves to show us what He intends to do in a vision, although our mind suffers to interpret and relate what it sees, nevertheless, a mind that is recreated can be able to perceive the thoughts of God even in a picture. God speaks to me through dreams and recurrent visions a lot, seeing a scene an, an event can be very confusing especially to someone that is not skilled in the knowledge and revelation of the way God speaks.

When you are renewed in the mind, you will always receive the revelation of the scenes and pictures shown to you because the same spirit that brings the dream and vision will still unveil it to you. Dreams and vision are of no effect and important to you if not accurately interpreted. It is very frustrating to have a prophetic experience without receiving the revelation and understanding of what God is saying to you.

Nevertheless, I will be taking you on a journey to reveal and help you understand and utilize the dreams, vision and prophetic experiences that God gives you as an invitation into a higher paradigm in Him for world influence. As we journey, you will comprehend the mechanism and operation of the prophetic in your life. Many people have a lopsided view of what the prophetic is and they limit it to some fantasy of secret telling, ranging from bank accounts numbers, phone numbers, passport numbers and many more. These manifestations are basic in the prophetic that even familiar spirits nowadays manoeuvre to deceive many who are beloved. There are higher and deeper manifestations of the prophetic that is not limited to secret telling of numbers. This has to do with governmental sphere of influence, territorial dominion and spiritual rulership manifesting through: kingship, priesthood and Sonship.

If we must preserve the true texture of the prophetic in this age and time, then we must give more consideration to the depth of the prophetic and not just hovering and wallowing around the basics of the prophetic. We all have a proper destined positioning even in the prophetic, but not all are called to manifest and express the gifts of the prophetic. Some are called to sit and possess the throne of the prophetic, others the office of

the prophetic while others to function by the unction of the prophetic for a while. But all are given the privilege to manifest the gifts of The Spirit, yea, even that of the prophetic.

I urge and encourage you to read with an open heart as we go deeper into more realities of the prophetic and see how it will function in your life in an increased measure. May God grant you your heart desire according to His will and cause you to have an encounter with Him that will change your life forever. Amen. Shalom!!!

Blessings to all! Philip Cephas.

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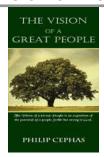
This manuscript is likened to a compass employed by a spiritual sojourner to journey to the desire destination without being weary and tired, lacking the strength, passion, zeal, courage, and the understanding to press further into the realm of light and life.

PATHWAY TO THE ANOINTING



Pathway to the anointing is not just a product of a research done in the flesh, but a personal dealing of walking with The Holy Spirit over time which has resulted to a smearing of the anointing upon my life by God.

VISION OF A GREAT PEOPLE



The vision of a great people is a lile story and a fiction of a family who has been helped by God and still being helped by Him. Among many systems of God expansion upon the face of the earth, a man is pivotal.

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My heart bursts its banks, spilling beauty and goodness. I pour it out in a poem to the king, shaping the river into words:

Ps 45:1 MSG

The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that published it. Ps~68:11~KJV

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