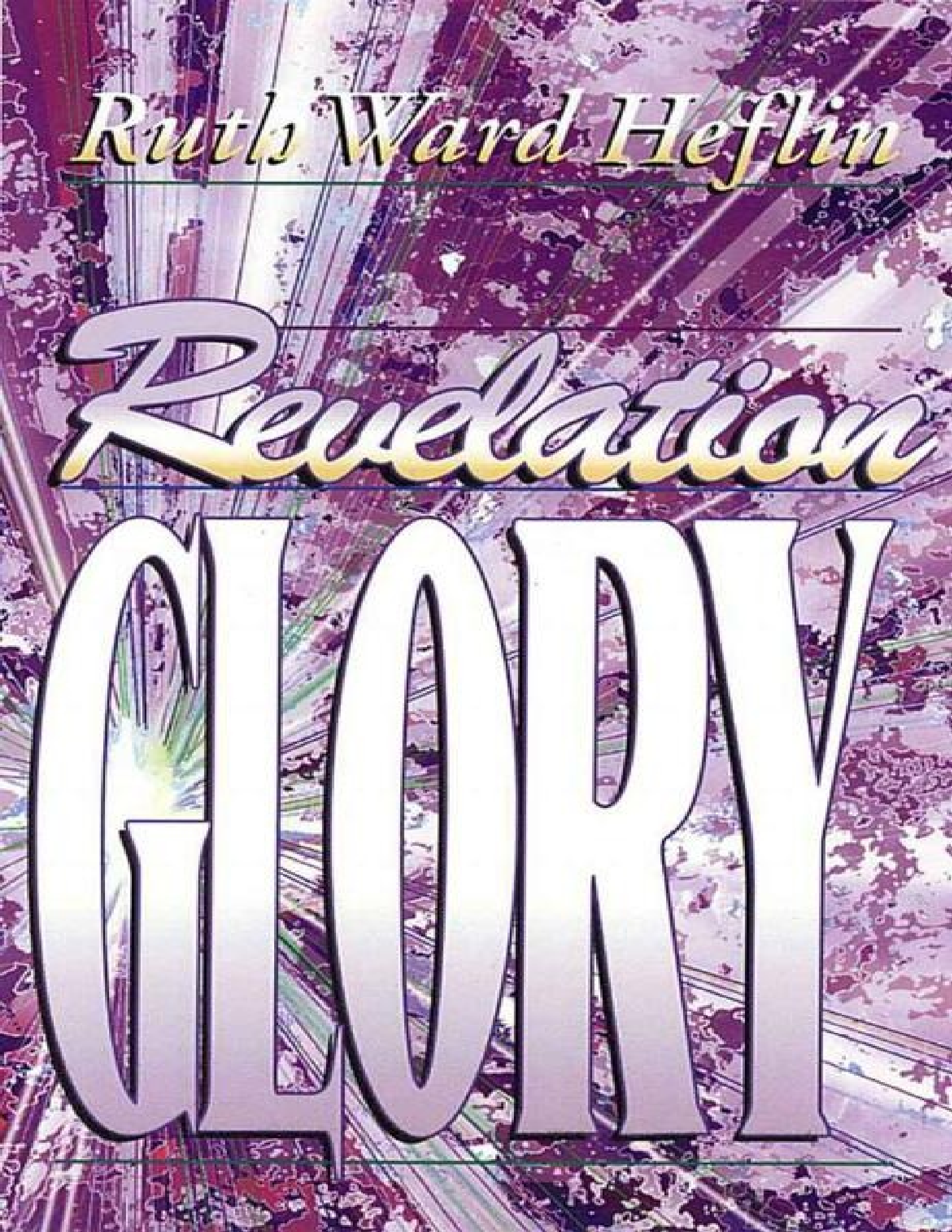
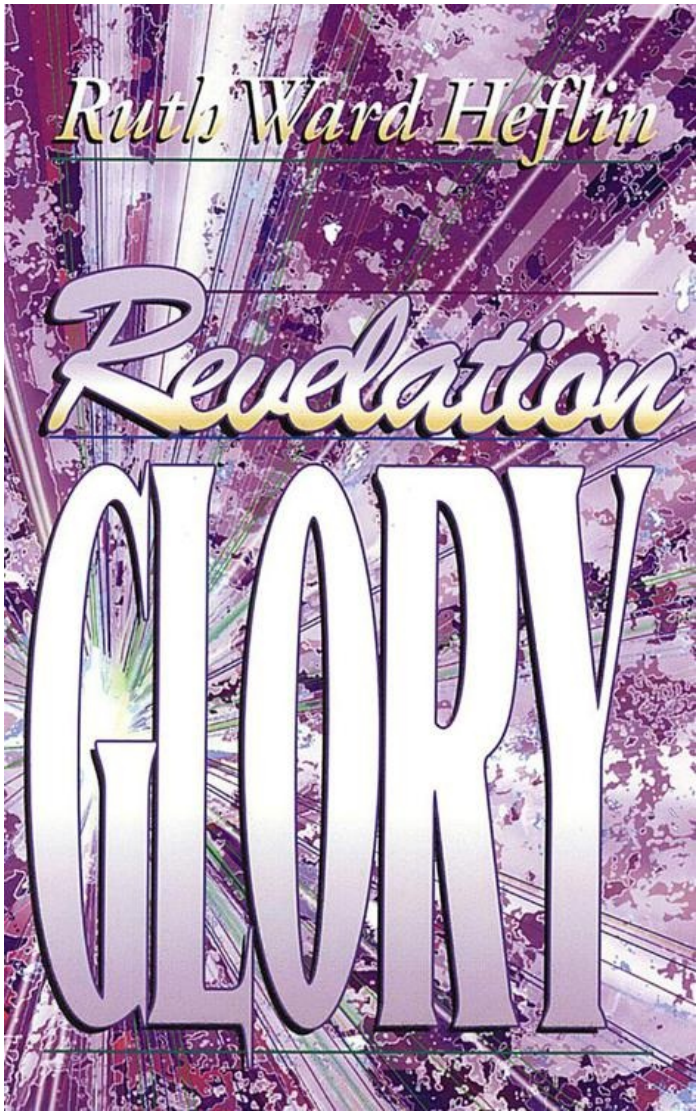

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Ephesians 1:17-18

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PREFACE

In each of my books, I have written a little about the importance of revelation knowledge because I believe that everything God will do in the future will be done in this way. In *Glory*, I wrote the chapter called "The Glory Brings Revelation." In *Revival Glory*, Chapter 20 was entitled "Waiting in the Glory for Revelation." In *River Glory*, Chapter 7 was entitled "Revelation in the River." And in *Harvest Glory*, I told story after story of how God led me through *revelation* knowledge into the nations of the world for ministry and thus showed how very important revelation is to both our personal lives and our ministries. Revelation knowledge has been one of the great keys to the success of my own life and ministry.

I believe that this message is important to every Christian. We can no longer afford to stumble through life, hoping to find the right roads. There is no time for that now. Too much remains to be done, and it must be done in a very short time. Just as everything about the beginnings of the Church Age was given by revelation knowledge, so everything about these end times will be given in the same way.

Because I believe this message so strongly (revelation bringing revelation knowledge and the need for more of it), this has been a major emphasis of my ministry in recent years. This book is the fruit of that ministry. The chapters that follow were taken from teachings given in our campmeetings and in the other meetings I have been conducting around the world.

Revelation is one of the benefits of the glory. It does not come to us in the praise realm, and it does not come to us in the worship realm. It only comes in the realm of the glory of God. This is another reason that we need to press into God's Spirit every day, praising Him until the spirit of worship comes, worshiping Him until the glory comes, and then allowing Him to speak into our spirits in the midst of that glory. This is *Revelation Glory.*

What God has to say to us is life-changing. It is earth-shattering. It not only affects us, but everyone around us. It not only changes our own households, but it enables us to affect the entire world for good. What could be more important to us in this crucial hour? Nothing can replace *Revelation Glory.*

INTRODUCTION

God wants to take us *"from glory to glory"* in these days. His highest desire is to take us into new realms of His Spirit, and one of the greatest reasons is that He has much to show us, to reveal to us. Our God very much wants us to understand Him and His ways. He wants an informed people.

God's perfect will is that we be lifted into the realm of glory where He can reveal things to us and that we no longer return to the natural realm of thinking and planning and deciding. He wants to lift us up into His presence more and more where He can give us the ability in Him of knowing the needs of the world around us and of speaking His perfect will into the lives of others.

God is raising us up as His mouthpieces, His spokespersons, His oracles to the people of our generation. Men and women are ready to hear us today, for they long to hear from God. However, we must first know His thoughts and His desires for this day.

God is willing to speak through us, to put His compassion and tenderness in our voices to draw others to us, and thus to Him. We can find ourselves pouring honey upon many bitter situations. We can find ourselves being healers of many breaches. We can find ourselves causing men and women to flow together to the goodness of the Lord. But this will demand that we rise above our own limited thought processes and begin to understand God's thoughts. There is no other way to achieve this than through *Revelation Glory.*

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Part I: Revelation Glory, What Is It?

Chapter 1: Revelation, the Work of the Holy Spirit

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you. A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.

These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall show you plainly of the Father.

John 16:13-16 and 25

What wonderful promises!

- *He will guide you into all truth.*
- *He will show you things to come.*
- *He shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you.*
- *He shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you.*
- *[He] shall show you plainly of the Father.*

Every believer who has not yet been baptized with the Holy Spirit should seek this experience, for having the Holy Spirit working within will give you the potential for the great Spirit of Revelation to work in your life. The Holy Spirit is the Revealer. This is His work. When you are filled with the Spirit and you learn to wait in God's presence, you can then enter *Revelation Glory.*

Jesus stated this truth about the Holy Spirit as Revealer so simply. The Comforter comes to live within us. He receives revelation from Jesus and shows it to us. He not only shows it to us. He shows it to us *"plainly."* What could be more wonderful?

God doesn't show us our entire future at once, and we should be glad of that. If we knew it all, we would be overwhelmed by it.

Instead, the Lord gives us a general direction, and then He begins to give us one simple step after another. This is what the Christian life is all about — one step at a time, one day at a time. In this way, God leads us in great simplicity through *Revelation Glory*.

God knows everything about your future. One day some years ago, as I walked into our prayer room in Jerusalem, I looked around the room and saw the future of everyone present. If I had focused in on what I was seeing, I could have told each individual what would happen to him or her until Jesus came.

We tend to feel that our future is in front of us, but I saw the futures of those present that day above their heads. The future is above us in the heavenly realm. The path that God has prepared for us may form in front of us, but it comes down out of the heavenlies. We just need to reach up and take hold of God's plan for our lives, and we can do this in the Spirit. I saw that day that our future comes down layer by layer, and we walk on it.

All too often we are busy trying to make something happen in our lives, when God has not intended that particular thing for us. I have known people who fasted and prayed for long periods of time to keep something of which God had been trying to rid them. They fast and pray to avoid something God sees as the best thing for them. We need a heavenly vision to set us on the right course so that we are not constantly fighting against God.

All believers desire to know what the Father expects of them, what He wants them to be doing. So we need to hear from Heaven, for Heaven knows it all.

We need not be uninformed. God has graciously sent His Holy Spirit to put within us a knowledge beyond that possessed by those who have studied for years in a given area. Having this type of revelation knowledge can give us the confidence we need to step out of the boat and begin to walk on water. It can cause us to declare what God is saying — even when no one else is saying it.

It is as we worship God that the Spirit of Truth comes and gives us the insight we need at the moment. This is why we must not take so much time planning our sermons or planning how we will orchestrate a service. The Spirit of God is the Orchestrator, He is the Conductor, He is the Master Planner. When the great river of God begins to flow, and we get into that flow, revelation will come from the Holy Spirit, and we will know what to do. This may seem too simple to some, but God moves in great simplicity, and when He does, it is life-changing.

Our greatest days are ahead. Our greatest anointings are ahead. Our greatest enlargements are ahead. Our greatest ingatherings are ahead. Our greatest divine appointments are ahead. How will we know the timing of it all? How will we be ready for it? Only by the Spirit.

In these last days, we must draw closer to the Lord, for His revelations to us are more crucial now than ever before. We must not be less sensitive, but more sensitive to the voice of the Spirit. These are critical days both for the Kingdom and for each of us as individual believers.

If we learn to let the Spirit of God work in our lives, He will cause us to know what is coming in the days ahead. We will have peace in our spirits when others are shaken. We will know by the Spirit what the eye cannot see, what the ear cannot hear and what the heart cannot yet discern. In the realm of the Spirit, we

will see it, hear it, discern it and know it. This work of divine revelation, coming to us in many different ways, will affect every aspect of our lives. This is *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 2: Seeing Things From God's Perspective

> *For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For AS THE HEAVENS ARE HIGHER THAN THE EARTH, SO ARE MY WAYS HIGHER THAN YOUR WAYS, AND MY THOUGHTS THAN YOUR THOUGHTS.*
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> Isaiah 55:8-9

God wants to show us things from His perspective. We have many insights, but too often they are all earthly. We are authorities on so many things, but we still haven't totally understood God's ABC's. From man's perspective, we already have a Ph.D. in spirituality, but God wants to teach us His DEF's and beyond. He wants to lead us into revelation knowledge, and He will do it if only we are willing to stand by His side and see things from His perspective. He stands in the High Places.

If we can stand where God is standing, we can more easily see things as He sees them. A mere glance or a glimpse is no longer enough. It is time for a fuller revelation. It is time for *Revelation Glory.*

I learned a lot about God's perspective when I had the privilege of meeting the American astronaut Jim Irwin. It happened when Nora Lam called me early one morning in Jerusalem and asked me if I would take her place on a China tour she had agreed to host for him. He had been invited by the Chinese government to lecture at their aeronautical centers and had decided to invite others to join him. After her initial commitment to the trip, Nora grew concerned that it might be too early for her to return to her beloved China, especially with such a well-known figure as Jim Irwin. She said she would be willing to pay my way if I could take her place. I was happy to oblige for two reasons. I was always happy for an opportunity to go to China, and I was happy for the opportunity to get to know Jim Irwin.

Because Jim Irwin was with us, we were treated royally everywhere we went in China, and it was interesting to hear him as he spoke at many government-organized meetings. He was very bold for his faith and always gave his testimony, along with a description of his many experiences in space. He told the people he had held two desires since early childhood. The first was to go to China, and the second was to go to the moon. He had reached the moon first (because China was still closed at the time to Westerners), but the people could tell how happy he was to be in their country and fulfill his second dream. God used his wonderful trip to the moon to give him an entry into China and into the hearts of the Chinese people.

Jim Irwin loved to speak of the moment of liftoff. It had always excited me

too when I saw the astronauts liftoff from the Earth. I was convinced that God had permitted the space program to prosper so that we would get our eyes off of Earth and focus more on the heavens. Every time there was a lift-off, I felt like I was lifting off with them, and I wondered how anyone could fail to believe in the Rapture after seeing a space shuttle launch.

Something Jim Irwin said has never left me: “When I stood on the moon, closer to Heaven’s perspective, and looked down at Earth, it seemed to be no larger than a golf ball. I suddenly knew that God’s love for us must have been great, that He would send His Son to such a small planet to declare His love to the inhabitants.”

It was in that moment that Jim Irwin decided to enter the ministry when he got back to Earth. He decided to give the balance of his years to the Lord in service, and he did just that, becoming an evangelist. From then on, he always carried with him a small ball. It was a replica of what Earth looked like to him from the moon. He carried the ball in his briefcase, and I was privileged to be able to handle it on several occasions.

Heaven has a totally different perspective on things than most of us have. We get overwhelmed by things that shouldn’t overwhelm us. We get caught up in things with which we have no business getting caught up. Success and materialistic values are far too important to us, and they affect our every decision.

God wants to take us higher than the moon. He wants to take us beyond the stars. He wants to lift us into the heavenly realm and take us directly to His throne. When we sit with Him on His throne and look upon the Earth from that vantage point, our thinking will be totally changed, and we will begin to see things as God sees them.

If we can ascend into God’s presence, He will anoint our eyes with eye salve that we may see. He will show us the world, as He sees it. He will put within us a sense of eternal timing. He will show us the days just before us, from His perspective. He will show us what our lives were intended for, from His perspective. He will show us the present-day revival, and our place in it, from His perspective.

The perspective of the “experts” of the day is no longer enough. The perspective of the popular pundits is no longer enough. The perspective of the published writers is no longer enough. These men and women may be wise in the ways of the world, but God has things to show us of which these “experts” know nothing. *Revelation Glory* is available to us — if we are willing to spend time in God’s presence.

Our God is the teacher. He is the Revealer of secrets. Only He is capable of knowing perfectly those things which are to come. When you are able to understand things from His perspective, you can then move forward boldly in His timing and for His purposes and plan.

God wants to lift us into a realm of seeing from the heavenly perspective so that we are less earth-oriented. Then we will no longer be governed by earth's values, and we will obey the Lord. He said:

> *Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.*
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> Matthew 6:19-21

Obeying this command is possible only in *Revelation Glory.* God is lifting us up and showing us the higher way, the higher purpose, the higher call, the higher realm. He is speaking constantly these days of lifting His people up, and He does not mean it only in the sense of position or authority or power. Just as a father holds a child up so that he can see better, our heavenly Father wants to lift us up so that we can see more deeply into the spiritual realm. He longs to lift us up into realms where we can see and know. He wants to show us things to come and to make us a people taught of the Lord.

God does not always give us extensive insights into the distant future, and we cannot expect to know everything until we are in His presence. He is faithful, however, to give us insights that we need on a daily basis to deal with the situations that we face in life and to help others do the same.

If others, upon whom you depend, are not living in a revelatory realm, know that God can speak to you directly. It is dangerous to be too dependent upon someone who has no sensitivity to what God is saying. If others around you are not seeing into the realms of the Spirit, you must do it for yourself. If others around you are not hearing the voice of God, then you should hear it for yourself.

This doesn't give us license to criticize other people. They probably want to see from God's perspective more than we want them to see things in this way. We must take spiritual responsibility and move into the realms of seeing and knowing by the Holy Spirit. Then we will be able to warn others of the things coming upon the Earth. You and I must be eyes and ears for many people in the days to come.

The Lord wants to work the little kinks out of our understanding so that we

can be the great blessing He intended us to be. However, we must first get Heaven’s perspective. We must see as God sees.

Chapter 3: Seeing Things Happen Before They Happen

And it shall be ... .

Judges 9:33

This phrase, *"and it shall be,"* was repeated over and over again in the Bible by men and women who knew what would happen before it happened. Often these people were called "prophets" because they were prophesying the future. Prophets have always seemed like unusual people to those around them, but this gift of foreseeing what will happen is something God wants to do for more of His children. Better said, He wants to do it for ALL of His children. It happens to me and the people around me all the time.

One day Sister Barbara Lanzdorf ministered in our church in Richmond. She had a vision that was very moving. She described it this way:

> *I had a vision of the United States, and the focus was on the Rocky Mountains. I saw them coming down the country like a spine. I kept looking and kept seeing this great spine, a great backbone. I knew that what affected the spine would affect the entire country. I saw that the wealth of the Rockies from North to South had been mined and funneled into the rest of the country, and that now, instead of gold being mined* from *the Rockies, God was going to rain down gold* on *the Rockies, on His people there, and that this would flow into the rest of the nation. I kept seeing golden rivers streaming forth from the mountains, spreading over the entire continent.*
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> *I also knew in that moment that there were regions of the Rocky Mountains that have never known a great move of God. Some of the western states don't have the same spiritual heritage as states that have been in existence longer. In those places where there was really no spiritual heritage from the past, I saw that God was going to give them their heritage in person, and from that great backbone, it would flow out to the rest of the country.*

There was more to her vision. Much of the Rockies, she pointed out, was settled during the great Gold Rush days and many valuable minerals were mined in that area, enriching the nation. Now, she saw, God was about to send His golden glory over the Rocky Mountain area, and the resulting outpouring of the Holy Spirit would enrich the nation spiritually.

That happened on a Wednesday night. The next day I received a call from the wife of an Assembly of God pastor in Salt Lake City, Utah, inviting me to come and preach in their church. The first thing I said to her was, "Sister, are you in the Rocky Mountains?"

She said, “Yes.”

Then I began to tell her the word that was given the night before in the service. She got very excited. Later she called me back. “Sister Ruth,” she said, “I got so excited when you were telling me about the prophecy that my heart was just jumping up and down within me. Could you please tell it to me all over again? I want to be able to tell my people what the Lord has said.”

It’s exciting when the Holy Ghost speaks one night, and the very next day we are having the beginnings of the fulfillment of what He has said. That’s how the Spirit of God works. This is the purpose of spiritual revelation, of *Revelation Glory*.

“When I look out my window,” the pastor’s wife told me, “I’m looking at the Rocky Mountains. We are only thirty minutes away from the ski area.” No wonder she was so excited!

The word the Lord speaks to us is life, and it brings forth life wherever it goes.

Sister Cathy Lemmert from Ontario, Canada, has become part of our camp family. Early in our 1999 Summer Campmeeting, she had a vision of the Canadian Rockies, and I had a similar vision. We saw something moving across the whole of Canada. It began to touch Ottawa, the Canadian capital. It went on to touch many other places as well. How faithful the Holy Spirit is in speaking into our spirits the things He is doing and is about to do!

Will it happen? Of course it will. The very speaking of it brings a release. As God declares it, it begins to happen, and as we impart it to those it was meant to influence, those whom God will use to affect the areas of which He is speaking, we will see it come to pass.

We can only know the way of the Spirit as it is revealed to us by the Spirit, glimpse upon glimpse, word upon word, *“here a little and there a little”* (Isaiah 28:10). We were not intended to be authorities on all that God is doing. He wants to reveal His will to us little by little, day by day, as we walk in the Spirit.

During that 1999 Summer Campmeeting, we had a great flow of revelation. One night God showed us His light and the lightnings going forth from His throne. In the midst of all that, I saw a vision of the hand of God held near His body. This, of course, spoke a spiritual message to us. Sometimes, when we are holding something we don’t want everyone to see, we cup it in one hand and hold it near us. Then, as we want to reveal it, we open the hand a little until what has been hidden can be seen.

That’s what I saw God doing, and when I saw this, I remembered the great scripture from Habakkuk that speaks of *“the hiding of his power”* (Habakkuk 3:4). I saw rays of light going forth from His hands, and in those rays of light is

hidden the very power of God. He is ready to show us things before they happen.

The Lord will gather us closer and closer to His heart in the days ahead, for there are many secret things that He desires to reveal to us. He wants to show us things that He is about to do. He will reveal to us the miracles He will bring forth in the Earth even before they happen. He is giving us an expectation of heart and spirit for miracles. Where we have been unbelieving, we will now be believing. Where we have not seen, we will now see. Where we have experienced no manifestations, we will now manifest His giftings, His anointings, His signs and His wonders — even through our own hands. For God is about to reveal His power in these days through you and me in the realm of glory.

Pastors, don't be surprised in the days ahead if your members suddenly possess a knowledge from God that seems to surpass your own. He wants you to get a good head start on them.

In the days ahead, the Jewish people will also come in, and when they do, they will be possessed of a divine understanding that will amaze the whole world. God has given us two thousand years head start on them, but they will move up fast in the Spirit. This is a day of supernatural revelation, and whosoever will can receive it.

Why should we consider this to be so unusual? One of the reasons Paul was chosen as an apostle *"born out of due time [season]"* (1 Corinthians 15:8) was so that the people of that day would not think that you had to walk and talk with Jesus for three and a half years in order to know Him. I have seen people saved and filled with the Holy Ghost and carried away into the Heavens to have glorious experiences — all in the same night. This does not mean they had no need of growth. Each of us must grow, but you can come into God on a higher level and with your feet running when you come in through revelation.

These final days before the coming of the Lord will be days of seeing things happen before they happen. We can receive it through *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 4: Knowing the Unknowable

CAUSE ME TO KNOW the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.

Psalm 143:8

God has all knowledge, and He desires to share it with His children. When we get in the Spirit, we can know the unknowable. It began happening to me very early in life.

I remember well one such occasion when I was still a teenager. I had gone with my mother to see a friend of hers who was in the hospital. Doctors had not yet been able to diagnose her problem. As we were leaving the hospital, I said, "Mother, there was such a strong smell of cancer in that room that I could hardly bear to be there."

Her response surprised me. "There was no smell of cancer in the room at all," she said. "You smelled it by the Spirit."

In time, the cancer was diagnosed, but God had shown it to me in the Spirit before doctors knew it was present.

Sometimes we don't need to smell anything at all; we just know. No one has given us any indication that what we are sensing is true. We have no prior knowledge concerning the matter at hand. What we are feeling is not a question of our reasoning minds trying to figure something out. We suddenly know, and it seems that we have always known.

I am deeply indebted to my parents for their sensitivity in the Spirit, and especially to my mother. When she was still young and living with her family in Washington, D.C., the name of the famous Pentecostal revivalist Aimee Semple McPherson appeared one morning in the headlines of the local newspapers. The article said that Sister McPherson had drowned. Grandmother Ward knew how much my mother loved Sister McPherson, so she tried to break the news to her gently. "Edith, dear," she said, "I'm afraid you'll never see Sister McPherson again. She has drowned."

Mother looked strangely at Grandmother Ward and said, "Mama, something tells me I will see her again."

My grandmother was a very spiritual woman, but she could not understand Mother's attitude in this matter, and she got a little stern with her. "Now, Edith," she said, "I told you that Sister McPherson has drowned. It's right here in the newspapers. I know you loved her, but you will never be in her meetings again."

Mother was not known to be a disrespectful daughter, but again she looked up at her mother and said, "But, Mama, something tells me I will." It was such a

tense and unusual moment between the two of them that neither of them ever forgot it.

Eventually it was discovered that Aimee Semple McPherson had not drowned at all. She had actually been kidnapped. The evidence that had seemed to prove her drowning had been planted. She later returned to Washington, D.C., for meetings, and Mother was in the church choir and got to sit on the platform near Sister McPherson.

How Mother rejoiced! There had been a knowing in her spirit that could not be explained away, and eventually, she had been proven right. God had shown her the truth, when all the newspapers were proclaiming something very different.

I often thought of that example through the years because it took a lot of courage for my mother (as a young girl) to speak to her own mother in that way, and that sense of knowing she had in her spirit served Mother well through the years. We can trust the Holy Spirit, and things that we cannot know by the flesh can be known by the Spirit.

We all need revelation on many subjects: revelation concerning God, revelation concerning the heavenlies, revelation concerning the Earth, and revelation concerning the future. As ministers, we need revelation concerning people and churches and situations. If we can learn to live in that revelatory realm, where we always know what's happening before it happens, it gives us an unusual confidence.

Some prefer to play it cautious. They never mention their revelations until they see them come to pass. Then they say, "I knew that before it happened." But it doesn't take much courage to declare what has already happened. Everyone knows it by then. Life in the glory enables us to declare the future before others even dream about it. It causes us to know the unknowable.

God is removing the veil from our eyes, the spiritual blindness that has kept us from His very best. Every bit of discontentment that has been in our spirits and every lack of satisfaction is being taken away, as we find a deep satisfaction in Him. He is the tree of life, a fountain of living water *"unto everlasting life."* He is the Source of all knowledge and wisdom, and suddenly the windows of Heaven are opening to us so that we can see as He sees and know as He knows. This is *Revelation Glory.*

Part II: Revelation Glory, How Has It Been Manifested through the Ages?

Chapter 5: The Importance of Vision

And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; THERE WAS NO OPEN VISION.

1 Samuel 3:1

Down through the centuries, God has spoken to His people in many different ways to share with them His heavenly knowledge and wisdom. One of the most important ways He has done this has been through visions.

God spoke to Abraham through visions. He spoke to Moses through visions. He spoke to the prophets through visions. He spoke to the apostles of the New Testament through visions. And He is still speaking to us today in this wonderful way.

Vision was never considered something unusual in Bible days. It was considered unusual *not* to receive wisdom and knowledge from God in this way. When Samuel came along, it was notable that *"there was no open vision."* That was not the normal state of things for God's prophets.

Hearing the voice of God is wonderful, but it can never compare with both hearing *and* seeing. When we can only hear, we are like a blind man. He has to make his way along the street by tapping his cane and listening to the echo of the sound it makes. Too many of us are going through life tapping our way uncertainly, when we could have all our senses fully tuned to the Spirit of the Lord and to His infinite stores of wisdom and knowledge.

We have a saying that one picture is worth a thousand words, but the Chinese say that one picture is worth five thousand words. God wants to give us pictures to go with the words He is speaking to us.

One of the reasons God speaks to us in visions and in dreams is similar to the reason He spoke to His disciples in parables. The pictures help us understand what He is saying.

One morning, for instance, in our Summer Campmeeting, a sister had a vision as she was giving a prophetic word. She said, "I see a needle and a thread, and I see some mending being done." In that simple flow of revelation, the Lord was giving her a picture that everyone could understand. Obviously, there were some present that morning who needed to be assured that the Master Mender was in our midst.

This sister did not initiate the thought, and it didn't come from her. It came from the heart of God, from the Spirit of the Lord. It was a result of the *Revelation Glory* we were experiencing in our midst.

Those of us who are older grew up with audio stimulation. When movies first

came out, they were instantly popular because of the visual images they projected. At first, they lacked sound, and movies did not fully take hold until the two, sight and sound, were combined. Now we have television and the Internet, and our younger generations have become accustomed to having visual stimulation.

As a result of the profusion of visual images available to us today, young people now prefer to do things by sight. They love the graphic elements in popular computer software, graphics are becoming more and more important in the books they use, and young people are no longer satisfied just to listen to music. Now they want to watch the music videos so that they can *experience* the music as they hear it.

This is a visual age, and now that the natural world has come to this, it is time for the spiritual world to catch up. God wants us all to be able to see in the Spirit as well as hear.

This thought is not altogether welcomed by some. They may remember having spiritual or heavenly experiences as children, but that was a long time ago, and they no longer have those experiences as adults. The thought of going back to such childlike experiences is somehow frightening to them, but God wants to restore to us the simplicity of childhood.

When we were childlike, it was easier for us to have such experiences. Now, we seem to have become too sophisticated, too knowledgeable, too complicated. It is time to return to the simplicity of childhood, and when we do, God will restore to us the experiences of childhood.

Some believers experience visions and revelations when they are first saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. At that point, they seem to move into these things very easily. Later, because the experience has been criticized by people in authority, because they are criticized by friends or family members, or because of a lack of teaching and encouragement, they begin to close themselves to the experience of vision. Eventually, some of these people don’t even *want* to receive the vision of the Lord.

Let God renew that desire in your spirit, even this day. He can do that for you. He can give you a desire for heavenly revelation through the medium of vision.

Before we go on to see how this phenomenon affected the lives of the saints through the centuries, let me share here a sample of a prophetic vision that was received one day at our campmeeting:

> *I saw a vision while we were praising and worshiping. I saw, as it were, a tall forest. It was very beautiful and full-grown. The trunks of the trees stretched upward, and all their branches were spread. There were small*

saplings coming up underneath these trees, but the larger trees had grown so tall and wide that the small saplings had no room to grow.

Suddenly, I heard a clap of thunder, and I saw a finger of lightning come down and set the forest afire. Then the Lord said to me, "This is a prescribed burning. It is prescribed so that the dross can be burned away and then the new growth can come in."

He says to you tonight that without the burning off of the old, the new cannot be fulfilled. This is the night that you will feel the fire burning within your soul. God will take away all the debris and the dross, and when the prescribed burning has stopped, the forest will be filled with new growth. It will be filled with new life. It will be "teeming," the Lord says, "with life. If the fire does not burn, new growth cannot come forth."

And I saw, as it were, that the fire crackled, and it popped, and it went throughout the forest devouring everything in its path. When it had settled down, the Lord spoke to me again and said, "Instead of a cloud of smoke, there is now a cloud of glory, and you will walk in that cloud of glory. It is a new cloud of glory that you have never walked in before. It brings new growth and new anointing.

"I have also prepared for you new stretching, and when you leave this place, you will not leave as you came. You will leave with a newness of life. You will be teeming with the life of God, with the glory of God such as you have never felt before.

"And you will be sent forth again and again," says the Lord. "The fires of My glory that I send with you into the nations of the world will not be put out. They are prescribed by the hand of your God, and as you go forth, you will do great exploits in the newness that I am bringing forth in your life."

Thus saith the Lord.

Isn't that a beautiful way of learning from the Lord? When we realize that vision is one of the ways God speaks, we take what He shows us more seriously. We don't always understand what we are seeing, and it is often when we begin to speak of it that the understanding of that revelation begins to come, but we have a new appreciation of what is unfolding before us.

When you are able to see in a vision something you have not been thinking about and possibly have never considered, it is a powerful experience. It is God's way of preparing you for the greater thing He has for you. Vision is for understanding. It is to show us the next step. It is to show us where we should go and what we should do. As we will now see, it has been that way for centuries.

Chapter 6: The Seers of the Old Testament

Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and his prayer unto his God, and the words of THE SEERS that spake to him in the name of the LORD God of Israel, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel. His prayer also, and how God was entreated of him ... behold, they are written among the sayings of THE SEERS.

2 Chronicles 33:18-19

In Old Testament times, as we have seen, vision was important in the lives of the believers. It was so important, in fact, that there were men and women specifically known as "seers." A seer was someone who saw, just as a doer is someone who does. These men and women of the Old Testament were prophets, and the two terms — seer and prophet — were often used interchangeably:

(Beforetime in Israel, when a man went to inquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let us go to THE SEER: for HE THAT IS NOW CALLED A PROPHET WAS BEFORETIME CALLED A SEER.)

1 Samuel 9:9

Some prophets were called "seers" because they heard from God primarily through visions.

These were men of great respect. For instance, King David had several "seers" around him to whom he looked for guidance for his kingdom:

And the LORD spake unto Gad, DAVID'S SEER, saying, Go and tell David, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three things: choose thee one of them, that I may do it unto thee. So Gad came to David, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Choose thee.

1 Chronicles 21:9-11

All these were the sons of Heman THE KING'S SEER ... .

1 Chronicles 25:5

Samuel, one of the most respected prophets of all time, was also known as *"the seer"* (1 Chronicles 26:28).

The writings or prophecies of some Old Testament seers are not included in the Scriptures. Iddo, for instance, was mentioned several times in the Scriptures as *"the seer"* (2 Chronicles 9:29 and 12:15), but none of his visions are recorded there. The songs of Asaph, another *"seer"* (see 2 Chronicles 29:30), are recorded in the Psalms (see Psalms 50 and 73-83). There were many others.

Most of the Bible prophets spoke of visions and revelations. Habakkuk was a prophet who expected to *"see"* in the eternal realm. He said:

I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and WILL WATCH

TO SEE WHAT HE WILL SAY UNTO ME ... . And the LORD answered me, and said, WRITE THE VISION, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. For THE VISION IS YET FOR AN APPOINTED TIME, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

Habakkuk 2:1-3

How interesting! Habakkuk not only stood watch, but when he did, he expected to see something. Most of us would never think to *look to see* what someone was about to say to us. Habakkuk, however, did just that. This was his method of hearing from God, and it is time that each of us began to expect to see into the heavenly realms.

In the past, when someone did not have the ability to see, they simply made the excuse that they would rather listen and hear, but that is no longer an acceptable excuse. Seeing is just as important as hearing. Listening is important, and we must do more of it, but seeing is even more important in this hour. Habakkuk declared that he would *"see"* what the Lord would say to him.

When you begin to believe that seeing is just as important as hearing, you will find that your faith will be released to see. God wants to give us the ability to utilize our faith in this regard more and more. In the past, we have utilized our faith for praying for the sick, believing for miracles, and experiencing signs and wonders. That same faith can be put to work to obtain *Revelation Glory*. We release our faith and believe to see, and then when we look to see, we can.

When you look in the Spirit, don't get discouraged if you fail to see anything at first. Keep looking. Keep believing. It will suddenly begin to happen for you, and once it begins, there is no limitation. God wants to speak to you just as much as He did to any of the prophets of old.

Like anything new that you experience, the first few times you see visions may be rather awkward. When you get hold of it, however, it will be yours anytime and at any place, and you will learn to yield to the Holy Spirit more and more. Like Habakkuk, you will look to see what God will say to you.

God told Habakkuk to write down what he saw. Some visions are for the moment, but others are for the rest of your life. You must be sensitive to the Spirit in this regard, and obey when you are urged to write down what you are seeing.

Some visions are simple steps to be taken. Additional steps will be given to you later as you are ready for them. Some visions cover much more territory than others. God knows how much information we can handle at any one time.

Some visions are fulfilled in a moment, and others take a lifetime to fulfill.

When you receive those overall views, it is a very good habit to write them down so that you can go back and refer to them later.

What is sure about the vision of the Lord, God told Habakkuk, is: *"at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry."* We can know that what God shows us will surely come to pass.

We desperately need more "seers" in the Church today, men and women who know how to touch the heavenly and pull down God's blessing for those around them. If you are willing, God will make you one of His seers. He will allow you to see into the glory realm, and what you see will change you and everyone else around you. This is *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 7: Simeon and Anna and Revelation Glory

> *And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And IT WAS REVEALED UNTO HIM BY THE HOLY GHOST, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple ... .*
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> Luke 2:25-27

> *And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity; and she was a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she COMING IN THAT INSTANT gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.*
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> Luke 2:36-38

Simeon and Anna were both seers. They both had revelations from God, and although the Scriptures do not state specifically how God showed them these things, I, for one, imagine that much of it came in visions.

Simeon had a very unique revelation — that he would not die until he had seen the Lord's Christ. He didn't know what day or what hour this promise would be fulfilled, but he was determined to walk in this revelation until the appointed moment. So he kept the Spirit of God resting on his life and ministry, believing for the fulfillment of the revelation.

This simple revelation changed Simeon's life. It kept him spiritually sharp at all times. If it were not for this revelation, he might have been tempted to retire before his time, or he might have given up when some particularly difficult trial came his way. Because he had a revelation from God, nothing could keep him from the Temple, and nothing could prevent him from performing his spiritual duty.

Then one day, as Simeon was in the normal course of his service in the Temple, something strange happened. That day, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple. This was not a coincidence, of course. It was God's perfect timing that had Simeon on duty in the Temple at the very moment they came in. Simeon's steps had been ordered from the foundation of the world. He had been destined to be in the Temple at that moment and to see *"the salvation of the Lord."*

I'm not sure why we think that God would order the steps of Simeon and not our own. If you are filled with the Holy Ghost, your steps can be ordered too. If

you are carrying out your appointed service, fulfilling the things that God has placed in your heart to do, then your date with destiny is coming. If you are looking to the promise of the things that have been spoken to you through the revelation of the Holy Ghost, you won't miss them. Don't allow the enemy to constantly torment you with the thought of missing God's best for your life. You won't miss it. You will see your appointed moment.

Your moment is coming. This is your year. As you are in the normal course of your service to God, He will meet you and fulfill His promise to you — just as surely as He did for Simeon.

I'm so glad the Lord placed a woman in this story too. This fact should be encouraging to every woman of faith. God hasn't left us out.

Anna was a woman of revelation, just as Simeon was a man of revelation. Anna was getting up in years, and that, too, should be encouraging to many of us. She had been in the Temple now for many years, serving God with fasting and prayers, and God had not forgotten her.

In the very instant that Simeon was blessing Mary and Joseph and the Christ Child, this devout widow was drawn to the place where they stood. She had learned through the years to live in the place of spontaneous revelation. Her years of fasting and prayer had given her a keenness in the Spirit that prevented her from missing out on God's blessing that day.

It is possible to miss out on God's good things if you are slow to respond. Some people wait all their lives, and then they find something else to do in the most important moment. They have developed no sensitivity to the Holy Ghost. Anna had spent her time worshiping the Lord and staying in His glory. She was so sensitive to what God was doing that she came in that instant and was able to behold the glory of the Lord with her own eyes, and to give thanks.

In that huge Temple complex, only two people were recorded as having recognized the Lord the day Mary and Joseph took Him there. Were they the only two who were receiving divine revelation? Were they the only two in that vast building who were living in the Holy Ghost? Whatever the case, these two did not miss out on the blessing in the Temple. To get your share of God's favor, you must get into His glory and live there from day to day.

I don't think for a moment that either Simeon or Anna understood everything that happened in the Temple that day. They could not have understood it all. They did not yet know all the *when*'s and *how*'s of God. Still, they rejoiced in what they were experiencing, and they declared it to others.

We cannot be expected to understand all of God's ways. We may not know how He will do certain things or when, but we can rejoice in what He shows us.

We can’t imitate what happened to Simeon and Anna. We can’t go back and see with our natural eyes the coming of the Lord in the form of an infant. However, God has great revelations for each of us. He wants to show us the great things He will do in our lives in this present century.

Simeon had no idea when the particular word that God had dropped into his spirit would come to pass. All he knew was that he would not die before it happened.

Simeon wasn’t checking with others to see what their revelation was, to see if he was in line with what they felt. He had a very personal relationship with God, and God had made him a very personal promise. He had no need of confirmation from others.

We don’t know that Simeon had ever told anyone else about his revelation. It is possible (like Mary, when she heard from the angel that she would conceive and bring forth the Christ) that he *“kept all these things, and pondered them in [his] heart”* (Luke 2:19). That’s the right thing to do many times, and the only thing to do very often.

We have no idea how much time had gone by since Simeon received his revelation, but it didn’t really matter. What matters is that God had kept him young enough to continue in service, had kept him in the anointing, and had kept him looking unto the promise. Because Simeon had never lost his enthusiasm for the fulfillment of the promise, he saw it come to pass. How long it took is irrelevant.

Of all the priests who had lived since the initiation of the priestly order way back in the time of Moses, Simeon was the first to hold in his arms *“the consolation of Israel.”* This is all the more remarkable when we consider that Simeon became a priest after four hundred years of darkness that followed the ministry of the prophet Malachi. Because there was no prophet of the same stature as Isaiah or Micah or the many others during this period, it has been accepted as fact that the people of Israel were backslidden and away from God. We know, however, that there was at least one man who still had the Holy Ghost on him, one man who was hearing from God, one man who was determined to remain faithful until he had received the fulfillment of what God had shown him. Simeon was still *“waiting”* in faith.

Anna was so old by now that she probably could no longer chew her food well, but that didn’t seem to bother her. She loved to fast anyway. She wasn’t weighed down in her spirit by her advancing age, and it didn’t prevent her from being sensitive to God. She could still step out when she felt God’s glory, and she could still prophesy His will.

It is not necessary for everything about us to be in perfect working order for the word of the Lord to be fulfilled in us. Even in her advanced age, Anna still knew how to walk by revelation, and because of it, she experienced what few people did that day.

Imagine it. Nearly everyone in the Temple that day went about his or her daily activities without a hint of the great thing that was happening nearby. Money was exchanged that day. Sheep were bought and sold. Sacrifices were made. Psalms were sung, and prayers were prayed. Many remained ignorant of the fact that the very God Incarnate was in their midst.

In many ways, this is similar to the situation we are facing today. Most people are totally unaware of the fact that God is revealing Himself in all His glory, that these are the days of which the prophets spoke, when they said:

> *And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.*
>
> Isaiah 40:5

> *For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*
>
> Habakkuk 2:14

When we are made aware of the fact that these are days of great revelation, we can begin to believe for it. We can make room for it in our schedules, setting aside time to sit in God's presence in holy meditation. We can believe for an anointing to come upon our eyes for seeing, upon our ears for hearing and upon our hearts for spiritual understanding. Let us do it, so that we can perceive things that have not yet been revealed, to know things that have not yet been made known.

When we attended the Presidential Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., in January of 2000, I bumped into a pastor from Texas in the lobby of the hotel where it was being held. He said to me, "I was in your meeting two years ago in Brownsville Assembly of God Church in Pensacola, and you prophesied over me."

I had prophesied over so many that I didn't remember him.

"You prophesied," he continued, "that I would gather the glory and then disburse it among the people. I didn't understand a word of what you were saying, and for two years I have been seeking the Lord about it. Recently, the glory of God has been poured out in our church, and gold dust is raining down in our services. It's appearing on the faces and hands of our people." He went on to tell me many of the great miracles God was doing in his services. "It's happening just like you prophesied," he said. (If the gold dust is a new

phenomenon to the reader, see my book *Golden Glory.*)

One after another, I encountered other ministers there in the lobby, and they told me similar stories of how the prophetic word had changed their lives.

We are standing on the threshold of something great, and are just about to step into a new dimension of the glory of God. This dimension will contain revelation beyond anything we have ever known before. Our reflexes must be sharpened so that we can move instantly on the Lord's command, as did Simeon and Anna.

As with their coming into the Temple, timing is very important. Since these are days of glory, and we are now receiving visions and revelations and insights beyond our wildest imaginations, we must be ready to move quickly in response to the Holy Spirit.

During the first service of our 2000 Winter Campmeeting, I saw myself and many of my friends and associates lined up on the world stage, and I saw things happening for us very easily. I was sure that most of us had not yet even begun to perceive the great things that God had prepared for us. He was ready to raise up a thousand Peters or Pauls or Benny Hinns overnight and to do great things through us.

When the Revival of 1948 first came in, there were only one or two powerful men and women of God on the national scene. The most prominent of them was Oral Roberts. Then suddenly, there were thousands of people performing miracles, having the same crowds, seeing the same signs and wonders, and getting the same wonderful results. God is ready to do that same thing again, and when the right moment comes, we must step forth onto the world stage and take our places.

"Who am I?" some might ask. Well, I ask you, who was Simeon? Who was Anna? Yet their day came, and yours will too.

Chapter 8: The Early Apostles and Revelation Glory

> *And I went up BY REVELATION, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles.*
>
> Galatians 2:2

The book of Acts, which records the journeys and ministries of the early apostles and the development of the young Church, is a book of revelation. Everything the early Church did was done by the revelation of the Holy Spirit.

Most of us are familiar with the story of how Paul went to Macedonia by revelation. Many, however, haven't realized that he went *everywhere* by revelation. For example, Luke wrote:

> *Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and WERE FORBIDDEN OF THE HOLY GHOST to preach the word in Asia, after they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but THE SPIRIT SUFFERED THEM NOT. And they passing by Mysia came down to Troas. And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.*
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> Acts 16:6-9

In his letter to the Galatian believers, Paul states that he returned to Jerusalem *"by revelation."* The truth is that he went nowhere and did nothing without revelation.

Peter traveled in this same way. When he went to the house of Cornelius and saw the beginnings of the first-century revival among the Gentiles, he went by revelation. That revelation came in two forms: a simple vision and the command of the Lord, *"go with them, doubting nothing"* (Acts 10:20).

Peter was on the housetop praying while someone prepared his meal below. The cook was running a little behind schedule that day, and while Peter waited, he was carried away in a trance and began to see a vision.

He saw a great sheet let down from Heaven. It was knit together at the four corners to form a basket of sorts, and in it were the animals the Jews considered unclean. As he saw this, the voice of the Lord came to him saying, "Peter, kill and eat."

God was not speaking to Peter about what he should have for dinner that evening. He was dealing with him concerning the ministry to the Gentile world. This was an important vision, for it would bring in an entirely new era. Until that moment, ten years after Pentecost, the ministry of the apostles had reached out only to their fellow Jews. God was ready to do a new thing, and He was planting

it in the hearts of His people by vision.

When the Lord told Peter to kill and eat, he replied, “No, Lord. I’ve never eaten anything common or unclean.” And with that the sheet was lifted back up to Heaven.

But Peter did not abandon the moment. He wanted very much to do the full will of God, and he wanted to know what this vision could mean. He remained in the Spirit, waiting upon the Lord.

Then suddenly the scene was repeated. The sheet dropped down again, and Peter heard the voice of the Lord again.

The message was the same. God hadn’t changed His mind.

Peter’s response was still the same too. He hadn’t yet understood what God was trying to say.

Then the sheet was raised back up.

At this point, Peter again had two options. He could forget the whole thing and go down to eat, or he could stay longer in the presence of God and wait for understanding. He chose to wait, and God responded to him, sending before him the same scene and the same words.

Three times the vision appeared, and each time Peter saw the same thing: the animals that were, to him, representative of the Gentile nations. Each time the Lord said the same thing, “Kill and eat,” and each time, Peter’s answer was the same. He had been taught since childhood not to eat these animals, not to have anything to do with them. He was sure that the law against eating them was from God Himself. If God had put him into a divine program, would He now change His mind?

I understand what Peter was feeling. When God tells us to do something contrary to a program that He Himself has initiated and blessed, we have a hard time understanding that. It’s logical. Anyone would struggle with that. Those who have been blessed by revival are often those who cannot move forward into new things. They are so captivated by the old that the new seems heretical. It was God who initiated the original program, they reason, so why would He change it now? The reason is that He is moving on, and it is time to pull up stakes and move with Him.

When God has sent us to a place, we somehow expect to be there the rest of our lives — as if that were the only place on Earth. “God told me to come here,” we hear people say, “and I will stay here till I die.” It is wonderful to be committed and dedicated, but it is also necessary to be pliable and open to new things. God didn’t say you would necessarily be where He put you forever. Your

season in that place may be over, and you need to move on.

Peter was now being told to do something that God had previously told him not to do. No wonder he responded as he did! He couldn't understand why God would tell him to do something *"unclean."*

Then the Lord said to Peter, "There are men waiting for you at the gate. Go with them, doubting nothing." Later, when having to justify his actions to other disciples who also could not understand, he could say boldly, *"The Spirit bade me go"* (Acts 11:12). He repeated what the Spirit had told him — *"doubting nothing."*

This is the key to walking by revelation. Do it without doubting. Do it without questioning. Peter was about to be thrust into some very new circumstances. He was about to be introduced to a totally different set of people. Still, the Lord told him to go and to doubt nothing.

When Peter went down to see who was waiting at the gate, he found that they were Gentiles. They had come with a message from Caesarea to bring him to that city and to the house of a Gentile named Cornelius. This was something Peter had never done before.

I understand what Peter was facing and why he reacted as he did. Still today, many religious Jews of Jerusalem would never go to the home of a Christian. They would feel contaminated by the experience. It must have been even worse during Peter's time. The revelation he received on the housetop, however, made it easier for him to obey.

Peter's success in Caesarea and the later spread of the revival to other Gentiles was motivated by that vision he had. The beginning of the move of God among the Gentiles began with a simple vision on a housetop in Joppa. Peter had gone up there to pray, but he received a heavenly vision that changed history.

The vision Saul received on the road to Damascus kept him through the years ahead. It kept him through every trial, through every difficulty, and in every circumstance of life. It was that vision that made Paul *"the apostle of the Gentiles"* (Romans 11:13). It was that experience that raised him up to be the person God wanted him to be. That vision came to define his life. If he had not received that transforming experience of seeing the Lord, I am sure that he would not have been the great apostle we rejoice to read about.

The original disciples of Jesus learned their life of revelation from the Master Himself. He lived that way when He was on the Earth:

> *Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things. And he that sent me is with me:*

the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

John 8:28-29

Now, it's our turn. God is bringing *Revelation Glory* into our lives, just as He did for the apostles in the book of Acts, and just as He did for John in his great Revelation. The early disciples did everything by revelation from the Holy Spirit, and we should too.

The early disciples of Jesus had no choice. They were in a period of newness, a period of formation, a period of development, and they desperately needed the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Now, we are in a similar situation.

Because we are in the closing days of the Church Age, once again everything we do should be done by the revelation of the Holy Spirit. This is the time of harvest, the time of the culmination of all things. Let the same Holy Spirit who guided the early disciples of Christ be your Guide as well. Let Him give you *Revelation Glory* today.

Chapter 9: John's Experience with Revelation Glory

> *The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass ...*
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> Revelation 1:1
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> *And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw ... .*
>
> Revelation 1:12

The book of Revelation, better known as The Revelation of Jesus Christ to St. John, is a record of visions and revelations given by God to His first-century servant. What better source for us to learn about *Revelation Glory?* John's Revelation is *"the revelation of Jesus Christ."*

John began to receive his revelation when he got *"in the Spirit on the Lord's day"* (Revelation 1:10). That's always the key. Revelation does not come to us in the natural realm; it comes in the Spirit. It does not come to us even in the normal Christian situation. If it did, we would all be living in the realm of revelation. Revelation comes to us when we move from praise to worship and from worship to glory. It is in the glory realm that the heavens are opened to us and we begin to *"see."*

The first thing that happened when John got in the Spirit was that he suddenly heard a sound behind him. He was not yet in the heavenly realm. He was *"in the Spirit,"* but he was still on the Earth. Soon he would be transported to the heavenly realm.

The sound John heard was directly behind him. The Lord comes where we are … until we are able to come where He is. He appears to us in the earthly realm until we are able to come into the heavenly realm.

The sound was clearly *"a voice,"* but at the same time it was *"as a trumpet,"* and it got John's attention. The voice identified itself. It was the Lord, *"the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last."* Jesus was speaking to His servant John.

The first thing the Lord said to John was that he should write down what he was about to see. This may seem very unusual to some, for John hadn't seen anything yet. God was giving him a faith statement. When he began to see, he was to record what he saw. It was coming.

John was made to know that he would receive sufficient revelation knowledge to enable him to write about it. He was to receive revelation, not only for himself and his immediate family, but he was to receive revelation for the seven churches.

John was to write, not just for the sake of his own remembrance, but he was also to send a message to the churches. What he was about to receive would not just be sufficient to bless his own soul, but he would receive enough to affect and bless whole nations.

John had already written his record of Jesus' teachings and actions which we know as the Gospel of John or the Gospel According to John, and I find it to be the most spiritual of the four gospel writings. Until this moment, however, John had written nothing about future events and little about heavenly things. This was a whole new experience for him.

John had walked with the Lord on Earth, at times being so close that he leaned on Jesus' breast. Now, he was being called to draw near to the Lord in the heavens and to experience His glory there. Afterward, he was to write on a dimension that he had yet to experience. How excited John must have been!

The next thing we know, John is turning to see. If the Lord had told him to write what he saw, there must have been something to see, and John was determined to see it. He began to look around, to make the effort to turn, and no sooner had he turned to see than he began to see.

What John saw was the Lord, and that's where our visions should begin. Jesus was walking *"in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks."* It was a beautiful vision, perhaps the most beautiful anyone had received until that time, and John was able to describe in detail what the Lord looked like in that moment. John saw the Lord's garments, His head and hair, His eyes and His feet. Again he commented on the Lord's voice. He saw the Lord's hand and noticed that it contained *"seven stars."* He saw the Lord's mouth and noticed that *"out of it went a twoedged sword."*

John had seen the Lord many times, but when God commissions us, He reveals Himself to us in a new way. The new seeing is for those who are willing to accept the new commissionings. We can see Him today in a way we have not seen Him before. He is an unfolding revelation.

John was willing to turn, and he was willing to look, and when he did, he saw the candlesticks, and he saw the Lord in the midst of the candlesticks.

No sooner had John seen Jesus than He heard His voice again. The Lord reiterated who He was and then again commissioned John to *"write."* This time the commission was more specific:

> *Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter.*
>
> Revelation 1:19

That was a big order. John probably could have written in that moment what

he had seen, and he might have been able to write about *"the things which are,"* but could he write about *"the things which shall be hereafter"?* It is possible that he could not even have written about what he had seen. He had seen it, but what did it mean? What should he emphasize? If he told it all, surely many books could not hold it. If he wrote about candlesticks, would that mean anything to the churches?

The beautiful thing about being in the glory of God is that if we wait long enough in His presence, He will make clear to us His intentions. When Peter could not understand the vision of the sheet filled with unclean animals, although it was repeated three times, God spoke to him in another way.

As John meditated on what he had seen, the Lord began to explain it to him. The seven candlesticks, He said, were the seven churches, and the seven stars in the Lord's hand were the messengers of the churches.

Then John was given detailed messages for each of the seven churches. God had told him to write, and now He showed him exactly what to write.

After that, the Lord said to John, *"Come up hither, and I will show thee things which must be hereafter"* (Revelation 4:1). This is an important secret for each of us. *Revelation Glory* is to be found in God's presence. We must go up. We must somehow escape this earthly environment if we are to sit at Jesus' feet and learn.

By this time, John had already received great revelation, and he had enough to write to the seven churches. God, however, had much more for him. To receive this greater revelation, he would have to go higher. He would have to enter more fully into God's presence. Once there, he would see *"things which must be hereafter."*

Some are content to struggle with the here and now. They are not really interested in what is to come. At times, they are even afraid to know what is to come. For those of us who love the Lord, however, we need not fear the future. What is to come is wonderful, and we should have no hesitancy about wanting to see it.

The glories to come will not only be felt in Heaven. They will be experienced right here on this Earth. These are the glories that have been prepared for us from the very foundations of the world. God wants to remove the veil from our eyes and let us see them. He wants to take us from glory to glory, revealing His greatness to us.

These things are not "too great," "too high" or "too holy" for us to enter into. They have been "prepared for us." We are destined to be a people with revelation knowledge of things to come, people of *Revelation Glory.*

God is calling us into a realm of vision and revelation in the Spirit that does not come by merely coming into the glory for a moment. Yes, God will give you a vision very quickly as you are worshipping, but His desire is that you get totally saturated in His glory and receive revelation in greater depth.

This is one of the wonderful things about our campmeetings. We are located in the woods, away from telephones and other noises of the world, and we can just lose ourselves in the glory of God and be taken from glory to glory. Some people come intending to stay a day or so, and some of them stay all summer.

Many of them, during the first days they are in the camp, think of many important things they need to be doing — business matters or family matters. After a few days in the glory, however, these other things seem to fade in importance next to hearing from God and receiving the touch of His glory. Suddenly, these people find themselves in a new realm of the presence of God, the power of God and the glory of God, and they forget about everything else. We have to want this enough to not allow anything to intrude upon it and to continue pressing into it until we understand what God is saying.

Some people are always late for church, and they are not very excited about being there. I love to arrive early at every service and have time to sit in the presence of the Lord. I begin to praise and worship and help bring in the glory for others who are coming. When I go to church, I am expecting to hear from God, and nothing could be more exciting.

As soon as the glory is manifested, the revelatory realm begins to work. This is the reason we must make room for it. We must give time for it. When we move on to other things, we limit ourselves in the Lord. Linger in the glory. Let the Spirit, who is still the Teacher, teach you all the things He desires for you to learn. He wants to show you things that have been and things that are to come. Let Him raise you up to be one who knows by the revelation of the Holy Ghost.

Jesus said to His disciples:

I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

John 16:12

"Ye cannot bear them now." Why? Are we too busy, too preoccupied with other "important" things? Are we too earthbound, too conscious of things around us, too tuned in to what people are saying?

It is time to say to the Lord, "Lord, help us to push aside everything that hinders us. Make us ready to receive whatever You want to reveal to us. Bring us into a realm of knowing. Lift us out of ourselves and into Your glory. Lift us into a place of seeing. Anoint our eyes to see and to know those realms of glory that You have prepared for us."

When we are lifted out of ourselves, we begin to see into a realm that we have never seen into before. Before long, we find ourselves looking into the face of the Lord, and we can describe Him. What we see may seem very different from what John described. Our Lord lets each of us see Him in just the way we need to see Him. He reveals Himself to each of us in just the way we need Him to be revealed.

During our 2000 Winter Campmeeting, I saw the Lord in a multicolored robe, and He told us that He was showing Himself to us like that because He was about to favor us in a new way. He would pour His favor out upon us in such a variety of ways that it could best be symbolized by this multicolored garment.

In many of the great auditorium meetings that are conducted these days, a tall boom is used for one special camera. A man sitting in a high chair wheels the boom around, and from many vantage points he is able to capture the crowd and their reaction. God is placing us into some high chairs and making us mobile so that we can catch the blessings of a higher realm. He is saying to each of us, *"Come up hither."* This is exactly what happened to John.

The benefits of the glory realm are endless. In the early years of the Pentecostal experience here in America, for instance, it was considered normal for the people to have great and glorious experiences in God in the heavenly realms. Literacy was not as widespread then, and I later met people who had been miraculously taught to read through such experiences. Not only were they taught to read; they were taught the Bible and became great preachers.

There is a glory that has not yet been revealed, things that we have never considered or imagined. As He did with John, the Lord is ready to remove the scales from our eyes and to show us eternal things. He wants us to know the heavenly realm as well as we know the earthly realm.

Just as John's hunger caused him to reach out for heavenly things, the hunger that God is placing in our hearts is causing us to lay aside the things of the natural and to reach out into the realms of the Spirit as never before. As we reach into Him, He is coming to us in newness. This is creating, for many of us, a time of new beginnings, a time of new experiences, new songs, new prophecies and new understanding.

It is time for each of us to accept the challenge of John the Revelator. We can become revelators in our world today because of the Revelator who lives within us. Get into His glory and begin to look, and you too will see the Lord and *"the things that must be hereafter."*

We are living in the time span of the book of Revelation, and I, for one, refuse to live in the time span of the book of Revelation without living in the

experience of the book of Revelation. I want to live in the same revelatory flow evident in the life of John and the other disciples.

No matter how long you have known the Lord, there is a further revelation of Jesus Christ that He wants to give to you. We must never get to the place that we think we know it all.

Yes, I know the Lord, but I want to know Him more.
I know the Lord, but I want to know Him in ways that I have not yet known Him.
I've seen the Lord, but I want to see Him in new ways.
I've heard the Lord, but I want to hear Him in other ways.
I've touched the Lord, but I want to touch Him as never before.

God wants us to know Him in the here and now — God who was, God who is and God who is to come. We have dwelt on the "was" and the "is to come" for many years, but God wants us to concentrate now on the "is," the present. He wants us to know Him in His fullness NOW.

We have known that He was the beginning and that He will be the ending. Now, He wants to show us that He is everything in between. Come into His fullness through *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 10: My Own Experience with Revelation Glory

The heavens were opened, and I SAW VISIONS OF GOD.

Ezekiel 1:1

When I was just fifteen years old, I was praying one night at the altar of our little camp tabernacle. Suddenly, I saw a vision of myself sitting with Chinese people. We were all holding bowls and chopsticks, and I was eating with them.

It didn't seem to be a very spiritual vision, and most of us might not have given it very high marks. No trumpets sounded, and no angels sang. No great voice came from the clouds saying, "Would you go and serve Me in China?" Still, this vision was a defining moment in my life and was to affect me for years to come. In fact, I'm still being affected by that vision these many years later.

The vision, as simple as it was, was life-changing, for at the moment I saw it, a love for the Chinese people suddenly possessed me. God dropped it into my spirit through that vision, and it has been there ever since.

I'm sure that Peter must have had this same experience on the rooftop. I have had it many times. God has always dropped a love for the people into my heart first before He has sent me to any country. What I experienced at the altar that particular night was totally supernatural. In barely half a minute, my whole life was turned upside down, and I knew that I would serve the Lord among the nations of the world.

There was another strange aspect of the vision. I not only saw myself eating with the Chinese, but I suddenly felt as if I *were* Chinese. I don't know any other way to explain it. It was an amazing experience.

Nothing had been said in the vision about loving the Chinese or about my being Chinese, and yet this was the result of the vision. Suddenly I had a deep love for the Chinese people, and I actually felt that I was Chinese. I felt so totally changed that I rather expected to see my eyes slanted when I next looked in the mirror.

The whole experience lasted for just a minute or two, but when I got up from that altar that night, I knew I would never be the same.

As I was going out of the tabernacle, I said to one of the young men who was visiting from a Bible school in Atlanta, "I feel so strange tonight."

He said, "You look strange."

"Oh, don't tease me now," I said.

He said, "I'm not teasing. You do look strange."

“Well, what do I look like?” I asked. I was sure he could not have known what had just happened to me, but what he was saying was so unusual that I didn’t know what to expect his answer to be.

He said, “You look like a Chinese person.”

I have never ceased to marvel over that moment. That’s how all-encompassing a vision can be. Until that day, I had not met a single Chinese person, but in a moment of vision, God birthed in me a love for the Chinese people, a love that has never let me go.

That experience motivated a fifteen-year-old to pray and believe God for extraordinary miracles, and less than three years later, I celebrated my eighteenth birthday on a ship headed for Hong Kong and service to God among the Chinese.

Many years have gone by, but I still get excited when I meet Chinese people. I am thrilled all over again by the experience. I get happy when I hear Chinese music. I eat Chinese food as often as I can. I have many Chinese items in my house. The love that God birthed in my spirit through that simple vision remains with me as part of the eternal workings of God in my life.

This was an important lesson for a teenager. It taught me early in life that it is a mistake for us to try to pick and choose what we want to do for God. When we do the choosing, we miss the greater thing that He wants to do for us. He has experiences in store for us beyond anything we have ever considered. He has things planned for us beyond anything we have ever thought of. If we can just relax and let Him reveal His plan for our lives, we will be amazed at the greatness of it. That plan can be unfolded to us, bit by bit, through *Revelation Glory.*

If we can allow the heavenly vision to possess us so that we carefully take step after step to obey it, we are guaranteed success in our personal lives and in our ministries. This was true of the apostle Paul. His vision on the road to Damascus so defined his life that many years later, when he stood before King Agrippa, he spoke these powerful words: *“O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.”*

The vision he had received was not “the vision of the day,” the thing that everyone wanted to hear. It was not what was normally accepted in the circles in which he traveled. It was a message from the very heart of God, and was, in all respects, a *“heavenly vision.”* It was also not long, but offered a quick glimpse into God’s purposes for Paul’s life. He knew in that moment that what he had seen flowed directly from the heart and will of God.

Other than that first defining vision I received, my visions were few and far

between. We were not taught that we could see, and because we were not taught, we never developed our visual abilities in the Spirit. They were always there, but they lay dormant for the most part.

I always believed in vision (after all, it was in the Bible), and there were always a few people in our church who prayed more than others and would come to church recounting the wonderful visions they had received while praying at home. I was always blessed by these revelations, but somehow it took me years to come to the realization that I could be enjoying the same gift.

My mother had more visions than any of the rest of our family. Several of her visions, remarkable for their simplicity, opened great doors of ministry to me. Let me mention two outstanding examples.

One summer, when I had just gotten back to Virginia from a trip overseas, the Lord began to challenge me about worshiping Him in the dance. I believed in dancing before the Lord, but I was very happy to let everyone else do it. The Lord showed me that after King David had come dancing back into Jerusalem bringing the Ark of God, he was able to bless the entire nation. He called all the people together and gave to every man, woman, boy and girl a loaf of bread, a good piece of flesh and a flagon of wine. The Lord said to me, “Ruth, if you want to feed a nation a triple portion, you will have to dance.” He didn’t say I had to dance to be saved, but He did say that if I wanted the anointing to feed a triple portion I would have to do it.

In the days to come, the Lord continued to dangle that plum before me, and as He did, I made up my mind that I was going to begin to dance before the Lord and that I would dance before Him every single day of my life. It was difficult for me at first, but each day I gained a little more liberty. No one else was aware of what God was saying to me, so it was just between me and the Lord. He wanted my praise, and I wanted to praise Him.

Toward the end of that month of campmeeting, my mother prophesied over me. The Lord said, “I’m going to change your ministry. I’m going to send you to kings and queens and other people of position. And you will speak to them of Me.”

While she was prophesying, Mother saw the name of the place I was to go first. She couldn’t pronounce it, so she spelled it out: K-A-T-H-M-A-N-D-U.

When I went to Kathmandu, Nepal, a few months later, God had me in one of the embassies there every night, usually for an official dinner. I don’t think I had ever been in an embassy for any reason except to process travel papers. From the middle of November that year through January 21, my birthday, I had met most of the various ambassadors and many other important people in the city.

Still, I had not met any of the royal family. I said to the Lord, “I want You to let something happen on my birthday to bring this great word to pass.” I was not complaining. I was having a great time, and I was happy about all the doors that were being opened to me. But God had said that I would meet members of the royal family, and I had not met them yet.

Nothing happened that I was aware of that day, but a few days later, on the 26th of January, I was invited to a party at the Indian Embassy for the celebration of Indian National Day. There I met the third secretary of the Indian Embassy (he was third in command, just under the consuls). This man invited me to have dinner in his home several nights later. It was a very small dinner party, only five of us, and among the other guests was His Royal Highness Prince Bashundra, the brother of the king of Nepal. I was so taken by surprise with this meeting that I wasn’t sure exactly how I should greet him.

In the course of the dinner, the first secretary said to the prince, “Your Royal Highness, I know you have just come back from London, and you have been abroad a good while. When did you decide to come back from London to Kathmandu?”

He said, “I made the decision to come back on January 21.”

When I heard that, I knew this was the man I was looking for. He was the answer to my prayer. God had spoken to him on the day I prayed and had brought him all the way from London back to Kathmandu. He had come to attend the wedding of the oldest princess, the first daughter of the king.

Toward the end of the evening, I went to the rest room to practice curtseying so that I could properly say goodnight to the prince. Before he left, I did my curtsey and said to him, “I know you will be busy with the wedding of the princess, but if you have a few minutes one day, I have something important to talk to you about.”

The next night we were sitting around the fire in the hotel where I was staying, when suddenly I noticed everyone jumping up and bowing. I hadn’t seen this before, and I turned to see who was coming in. Down a long corridor, I saw the prince walking toward us. He walked directly up to me and said, “Are you ready to speak about that ‘important matter’?” I said that I was, and he said, “Go and get your coat. I’m going to take you back to my palace.”

We made small talk on the way to the palace. After we got inside and sat down, servants offered us something refreshing to drink. Then the prince asked me what was so “important.” I said to him, “I didn’t know about your country, but a few months ago my mother saw a vision in which she saw this city spelled out. The Lord told me to come and speak to the royal family of Nepal about

Jesus Christ. Since you are a member of the royal family, I will start by talking to you."

"Talk on," he said, and for the next four hours I talked to him about Jesus. Before the evening was over, he allowed me to lay my hands on him and pray.

The next night the prince said to me, "I have never been happier in my life than when you were talking to me about Jesus last night. What can I do to help you?"

I said, "I came to meet the royal family, and you would know best whom I should meet." In the days that followed, he arranged small gatherings of the members of the royal family. Many of them had been living abroad and had not been in Nepal since the coronation of the king more than ten years before. The palace was also hosting many celebrations during those days. If there was a reception in the palace at night, the prince would arrange something for me in the daytime. If the special events at the palace were taking place in the daytime, he would arrange something for me at night.

The very next night I was sitting with several brothers and brothers-in-law of the king. Gradually I met a few more members of the royal family and a few more ... until I had met all the various relatives except the king and queen. I was to meet them later at a reception in our own capital after I had returned to the United States.

One of the members of the royal family I met on that first trip to Nepal was the nephew of Prince Bashundra. (He was then the crown prince and is today the king of Nepal.) When we first met, we spoke of the constitutional problem that forbade Nepalis from changing their religion, on pain of imprisonment. Later, we spoke on several other occasions.

In the years to come, Nepal opened its door to the Gospel, and a country that had less than a hundred believers then now has more than a hundred thousand believers. All of this happened because of the simple vision my mother received that day in Ashland, Virginia, of the name of the Nepali capital, Kathmandu.

On another occasion, I had just returned from several months of revival in the Philippines and a long overland trip back home when the Lord spoke to me to turn right around and go to Jerusalem. I hadn't even had time to unpack before I heard my brother saying something about a conference on Bible prophecy taking place in Jerusalem. I wasn't paying much attention to what he was saying because we had not yet become involved with Israel.

That night, however, as I was standing in the pulpit, the Lord said to me, "I want you on the plane flying to Israel tomorrow." My associate was sitting in the front row of the church, and I asked her to go make a call and find out what

flight I could get. While I was preaching, she was checking on the times. I wanted to be able to tell the people what time I was leaving so that I could include them in what God was doing.

That night, as the people of our church prayed over me at the close of the service, Mother again had a vision and, again, prophesied over me. The words that I remember most from the prophecy were: “Your feet shall stand on the Hill of Zion.” The vision was of the man whom I was to meet. Mother described him to me. She knew how old he was and what he looked like.

When I thought about the words of the prophecy, my thought was, “Of course I’ll stand on the hill of Zion. I’m on my way to Jerusalem.” I had not yet realized how specific the Lord was being.

When I got to Jerusalem, I checked into the conference and then called the prime minister’s office and asked if I could speak to Prime Minister Golda Meier. I was told that she was out of the country, so I said, “May I speak with her aide?”

After a few minutes, a man came on the line and introduced himself as Eli Mizrachi, aide to the prime minister, and asked what he could do to help me. I told him that I had come to attend the Conference on Bible Prophecy, and that I had a word from the Lord for him. He said, “Well, I’m sorry, but my appointments are made five weeks in advance — just like Mrs. Meier’s.”

I wasn’t sure what to say next, so before he could hang up, I decided to repeat what I had already said. “Well,” he said, “I’ll tell you what. I’ll see you tomorrow afternoon for five minutes.”

I didn’t have much of a sense of humor in those days (I developed one while living in Jerusalem), but I found myself saying, “You see me today, and tomorrow you’ll be calling me.”

The Jewish people are known worldwide for their *chutzpah*, their boldness, and when I said this, he began to laugh. He had never heard such *chutzpah.* “All right,” he said, “I will see you this afternoon for five minutes.”

I was waiting in the outer area of his office when he came out to greet me. I could not help but smile when I saw him. “What are you laughing about?” he asked.

I said, “I’m smiling because my mother described you perfectly. Two nights ago in Virginia our people laid hands on me to send me on this trip, and my mother had a vision of you. She told me exactly what you looked like. I can even tell you how old you are.”

This man had been all over the world. He had been in Buckingham Palace a

number of times, at the White House a number of times, and in many other important places. This was the first time, however, that anybody had spoken of their mother having a vision of him. God used that simple vision to open the door to his heart.

I told Eli about the excitement I had felt as a girl when we had all gathered around an old-fashioned radio to listen to the United Nations vote on whether or not to create the Jewish State. It was important to us, I told him, because we believed that the generation that saw the formation of Israel would be the generation that saw the coming of the Lord. His deep love for Israel was apparent, and what he heard struck a deep chord.

I had been in Ethiopia not long before and had met and prophesied to Emperor Haile Selassie, a man whom Eli also knew personally. I told him what God had said to the emperor about the connection between Israel and Ethiopia. In this way, we talked on and on, finding more areas of common interest.

Then suddenly, I was conscious of the time. More than a half hour had gone by. I said, “Oh, I’m sorry. I didn’t mean to take so much of your time.”

He said, “You’re not leaving now. You’re going to tell me how God speaks to you.”

Many hours later, Eli called for a government chauffeur to come, and he also got into the car to accompany me back to my hotel. On the way, I noticed that we had taken a different route. I had been to Jerusalem several times, but I didn’t yet know the western part of the city. I found myself saying to him, “This isn’t the way back to the King David Hotel, is it?”

He said, “No. There’s a view of the city I’m sure you have never seen, and I want to show it to you.” I thanked him because I was going to be attending the conference and had not set aside any time for touring. I was happy for the privilege of seeing something I had not seen before.

We arrived at a certain part of the city, the driver parked the car, and we got out and walked a little. Eli led me to a balcony where we could overlook a very ancient part of the city of Jerusalem. He began to point out King David’s City and speak of its history. Like many Israelis, he almost sounded like one of the prophets of old. He spoke of the land in such a way that if someone listening had not already possessed a love for her, he soon would have.

After Eli had finished describing everything we were seeing and pointing out its significance, I found myself saying, “But where are we?”

“This is Mount Zion,” he said.

When he said that, I felt a chill of unusual glory that went from the top of my

head to the soles of my feet. It was then that I remembered the word of the Lord: “Your feet shall stand on the Hill of Zion.” I had thought at the time I received that word that God was being general, but He was being very specific.

I had no idea at that moment just how totally that simple revelation would change my life in the years to come, and I also did not realize that Jerusalem would become my home and Mount Zion my place of worship.

When I got back to my room from attending the conference the next day, there was a note in my mailbox. It said, “Call the prime minister’s office.”

When I reached Eli, he said to me, “You were right. I want to see you again.”

For another seven hours or so, we talked about how God speaks to us.

Toward the end of the day, Eli said to me, “Why don’t you come and live in Jerusalem?”

That notion caught me off guard, and I responded with probably the most foolish statement I have made in my lifetime: “I’m too busy to live in Jerusalem.”

I had left Virginia on Monday night, and I got back home on Saturday. That night the living creatures from the book of Ezekiel flew into my bedroom. I don’t know if they were there a few seconds, two minutes, or all night, but when I woke up, I knew that my life was totally turned upside down. I knew that I would go to Jerusalem to live, and I knew that I would use any influence God had given me to bless the Jewish people.

A year later, a group of us, including twenty-five young people, left America to put down roots in the Holy City.

As much as I was blessed by these amazing visions and others like them, I still had not come to the conclusion that I could seek visions too. I thought it was a gift for a select few.

Then God saved a friend of mine and filled her with the Spirit. She hadn’t known the Bible, but the very first night she consented to kneel at the altar of the camp tabernacle, she had seen Jesus hanging on the cross. He looked down at her and, calling her name, said, “I love you.” At that moment, she had been saved. After that day, my friend began to see visions concerning the Bible — something I will relate more of in another chapter.

A few months after her visions began, God spoke to me to take her with me on an upcoming trip overseas. As she prayed about this missionary journey, God began to speak to her in visions about places we should go.

In one of those visions, she saw a house in which all the doors and windows and chimneys were different. She could tell that it was a great house, but it also

had very unusual architectural features.

In her vision, she saw the two of us going into the house, turning first to the left and then to the right and entering a conservatory, a music room. There she saw a woman seated in a wheelchair. We prayed for this woman, and God healed her.

My friend went to the library at Randolph Macon College and searched through books about great houses to see if she could determine where this house she had seen in her vision was located. She came upon a book called *Great Houses of Ireland*, and as she browsed through the book, she found the very house she had seen in the vision. It was called the Rosstrevor House, and it was located in Rosstrevor, Ireland.

She received several other visions, and I received several names (which I looked up in the atlas), and in this way we began to develop an itinerary for our trip. We would begin in Europe, cross over to the Middle East, drop down into Africa, and then fly back home from there. Our trip would cover more than twenty countries and take us six months to complete. We would minister many times and God would do great miracles for those we prayed for, but our trip would be more for our orientation than anything else.

We made three important stops in Ireland. The first was to visit a missionary group I had met in Peru the year before and particularly one man, whose name God had dropped into my spirit. God had sent me on a miraculous trip to a remote part of Peru, and there I had been able to bless a group of Irish Baptists and the people of a remote place for which they had a great burden.

Upon arriving in Belfast, we decided to knock on the door of the Irish Baptist Mission Board. They knew my name already. Their people in Peru had sent back a wonderful report of how God had miraculously sent a woman from America and how their ministry had been turned upside down because of her visit. We were warmly welcomed, and we sat down with the members of the board to share with them details of the trip to South America.

After we had been talking for a while, I remembered to ask about the name God had given me. I felt that it somehow related to them. “Is there anyone in your organization by the name of McCullough?” I asked.

“Oh, yes,” I was told, “he’s the only member of the board who’s not here today.”

God obviously wanted me to meet Brother McCullough and to share with him, too, the details of the revival in Peru. It was arranged, and we spent time with him before leaving town.

We then got a bus and went to the little town of Rosstrevor. Once there, we

located the Rosstrevor House. What an unusual house it was! Every window, every door and every chimney was different. We had never seen anything like it.

The house had been given to a Catholic order of nuns, and the sisters gladly agreed to show us around. We made a few turns and soon found ourselves inside a large room. “This is the conservatory,” our guide told us. It was just as my associate had seen in her vision.

Once inside the conservatory, we remembered the part of the vision about the lady in the wheelchair. Sensing that it was the former owner of the house, we asked about her. We were told that she had fallen and broken her hip and was in the hospital. “She has recovered sufficiently to sit up in a wheelchair,” we were told, “but not enough yet to come home.” We went to the hospital and prayed for this lady, and God healed her. What divine appointments!

Our third stop in Ireland was the fulfillment of another of my friend’s visions. She had seen a town that was long and narrow, consisting of only one street, with houses along both sides of the street. Behind these houses, on either side, were open fields. We had never heard of such a town, but we were believing to find it.

The Irish Baptists invited us to Cookstown to preach. When we got there, we discovered that the town consisted of one long street with houses on either side. There were no parallel streets and no intersecting streets. This strange place had just one long street, exactly as my associate had seen in her vision.

We preached a series of meetings in the Baptist churches in and around Cookstown and prayed for the sick. I specifically remember the healing of a cancer patient there. It all began with a simple vision.

In the years to come, we traveled throughout the world, led by visions and revelations. I was not unduly troubled that my associate had this great gift of vision and I did not. We had always been taught to use well the talents entrusted to us, and I just considered that this one was not for me. I still believe that we should use well the talents we have, but I have also come to the conclusion that we don’t have to be content to do without other gifts. If they exist, we can have them. We must always be reaching out for more. If we’re not careful, we can become proud of what we *don’t* have.

When people would ask me if I had visions too, I would proudly answer, “Oh, no. My colleague does, but I hear the voice of God, and that’s the way I travel.”

One day when my colleague overheard me saying this, she said to me in private, “You do have visions.”

“I don’t have visions,” I insisted.

She said, “You do. When you’re prophesying, I hear you say, ‘I see [so and so].’ What’s that, if it’s not vision?”

I had to think about that for a minute. I knew I didn’t lie, and if I was saying, “I see,” I must be seeing something. Still, I couldn’t accept the conclusion that I had visions. “Well,” I finally answered, “I see, but I don’t see. I see, but not like you see.” Isn’t it funny how we try to explain things away?

As I thought more on this subject, I realized that my associate was right. As I was prophesying, lost in that anointing, God was causing some scene to flash before my eyes, some little helping vision, and I didn’t even recognize it as such. I would just keep flowing in the prophecy without considering how I knew what I knew. Once I accepted the fact that I did see visions, they began to come with ever-increasing frequency and power.

“Is it safe to follow visions?” some may ask. Of course it is. Visions are given to us for understanding. I only wish that I had developed an ability to see much earlier in my life.

If I had known how easy vision was and that it was for all God’s children, not just a few chosen ones, I would have sought it much earlier and been blessed.

Seeing into the eternal realms has added a new dimension to my spiritual life. It has given me a boldness and confidence beyond anything that I had experienced previously. There is nothing quite like *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 11: Long Visions vs. Short Visions

And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind ..., a great cloud, and a fire ... .
Ezekiel 1:4

One of the reasons I had a hard time accepting the fact that I was indeed visionary was that all my visions were short. My friend was having visions that lasted thirty or forty minutes or more. I had read some books brought by Pastor Ed Miller from the great Argentine Revival. Annie, a young lady he knew in that revival, had such extensive visions that they filled several volumes. My own visions were certainly not as extensive as those of Ezekiel or John the Revelator. Because of this, I had come to the conclusion that a short vision was much less important than a lengthy one.

When I asked the Lord about this, He told me that longer visions are not necessarily better than shorter ones. One reason some people have such lengthy visions, He showed me, is that they have very little spiritual understanding. They are just learning, so the Lord must speak to them in greater detail. A more mature person might not require as much detail to achieve the same understanding.

That made sense to me. When we first began to read, the teacher would ask one of our classmates, "Johnny, how many *x*'s are on that page?" Johnny would search carefully over the page and try to count all the *x*'s he could find. As Johnny progressed in his reading ability, the teacher could ask him, "How many times is the word *red* on that page?" and he could find the right number. Johnny got better and better at his reading, and one day the teacher could ask him about a certain phrase — how many times was it found within a section. As his ability increased, less and less detail was necessary.

Speed-readers seem to have gone far beyond this point. They just turn a page, and they have already captured everything of importance on it. You would never ask a speed-reader how many *x*'s are on a particular page, or how many times a certain word or phrase appears. A speed-reader has gone far beyond that stage and is already reading with advanced understanding.

It may be that at first we need much more detail in our visions and that, after a while, not every detail of a vision will be as important to us. By that I mean that we may not have to dwell on every detail as much. We will be able to capture the details in the quicker overall understanding of the vision.

I checked this new understanding with Brother Ed Miller the next time I saw him. "When Annie saw those visions in Argentina," I asked him, "she didn't understand what she was seeing, did she?"

He answered, “Oh, no. She didn’t. She had to tell me the visions, and I had to explain to her what they meant. She had no knowledge of the Bible at all. She might see a river and not know that it was the river of the water of life. She might see a garden and not know that it was the garden of the Lord. I had to explain everything to her.”

This confirmed what the Lord had told me. When we have achieved a greater maturity, our visions can be shorter, and we can still receive the same understanding from them. It’s a question of maturity and depth of experience.

All the visions I have pass before me very quickly. If I wasn’t looking for them, I might miss them. When a car zooms by you on the highway, and someone asks you, “What color was that car?” sometimes you cannot say for sure. You are looking, but the car passes you at such a high rate of speed that you have trouble focusing on it.

If you will take a moment to think on what you saw, however, you will be surprised. Your eye saw the car, but because you were thinking about something else (how fast the car was going), you didn’t notice the color of it. When you concentrate on what you saw for a moment, you can remember. That’s the secret of vision. It takes a spiritual concentration, a spiritual focus, a denial of anything that would disturb your spirit or detract from the clarity of your seeing.

Often, when I’m preaching, visions flash before me. If I don’t pull myself back and focus on the thing God is showing me, it might escape me. We have to make a conscious decision to look, to focus, to dwell on what God is showing us at the moment. In this way, the ability to see in the Spirit can be developed, just as any other gift that God gives His children. If you desire understanding so that you can more fully fulfill God’s purpose in your life, you will diligently seek this gift of revelation.

Once I was sitting in a small restaurant in the airport in Dallas, Texas, waiting for my flight. A couple I had recently met there had accompanied me to the airport. As we were sharing a Coca-Cola together, I said to them, “I see a very simple vision. I see a ball of red twine, and it is all tangled up.” On some level, I was aware that these were monied people, and there was nothing to indicate to me that they were having any financial difficulty. They had the appearance of being very successful, and nothing they had said led me to believe any different.

The red color of the twine, however, indicated that their business was no longer in the black, and the tangle of the twine spoke very clearly. “The Lord is showing me,” I told them, “that your finances are all tangled up. They are tangled up in such a way that you can’t seem to find the end of the string. Therefore you have no idea how to go about untangling things.”

Suddenly, as I was saying this, I saw the finger of God reaching in, getting the end of the string and beginning to unravel the tangled mess. I described all this to them as I was seeing it. By the time I had finished saying those simple words, tears were streaming down both of their faces.

Soon, it was announced that it was time for my plane to leave, so I said good-bye to the couple and went on my way. In the few moments we had shared together, God had given me an answer for their travail. The couple went away that day very encouraged. Faith welled up in their hearts to believe for a miracle from the Lord. Faith was released for something greater.

This is what revelation is all about. It not only helps you, but it allows you to be a blessing to other people. It allows you to do for them something you could not otherwise have done, to help them in a way you otherwise could not have helped them. Without God's revelation knowledge, we are severely limited.

There is no such thing as a little vision or a big vision. Everything that God shows us is important. What seems insignificant to you might be lifesaving for someone else. We have come to call some books of the Bible "the minor prophets," but this refers to the *size* of the books they left, not the importance of their message. There are no "minor" prophets of God, no "minor" revelations. Everything God says is important. If a vision meets a need, how could we ever call it "small"?

One day God told us in our campmeeting that He was going to give us something that would seem "like a piece of candy." What could He mean by that? Most of us were well enough off that we could afford to buy ourselves candy if we wanted it. God was saying that He was adding sweetness to our lives. He was saying that much like a parent hands a child candy that is otherwise kept out of reach, He was about to reveal new and wonderful things to us. Much like a man offers sweets to his beloved, God is offering us a token of His love. God is watching over our every need, and no need is too insignificant for His attention. No message could be more relevant or more life-changing. We need to hear from Heaven.

That God would reach out at our moment of need, pick up a single piece of candy, and hand it to us is an awesome thought. It means that the miracle you need is as close as the fingertips of God. See His hand extended to you now, holding out to you just what you need. What a wonderful vision!

Part III: Revelation Glory, What Will It Do for You?

Chapter 12: Revelation Glory and Prayer

Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but THE SPIRIT ITSELF MAKETH INTERCESSION FOR US ... .

Romans 8:26

Many Christians struggle with their prayer lives, not knowing what they should focus on. They hear something on the news, for example, and immediately they are absorbed in that particular problem. If we pray about every problem in the world, we can exhaust ourselves and not be able to accomplish much for the Lord. Our prayers must be directed by revelation so that we can accomplish what is on the Father's heart. Revelation gives you the mind of Christ so that you don't have to struggle.

Many Christians were deeply concerned during the years that we saw the emergence of what came to be called "the new world order." It was considered to be an evil thing; much time was spent in teaching on this matter; and many believers used their prayer time almost exclusively to counter this "evil." Early in the emergence of this realignment of the nations, however, the Lord told me, "Don't be concerned about 'the new world order.' I am going to use it for the harvest." From that day on, I knew that the hunger that drove men to accept a new world order would eventually lead them to Christ, and I rested in that knowledge. If God told me not to worry about it, then He must know what the final outcome will be. This same principle can help us in every aspect of our prayer lives.

About 1992, when Margaret Thatcher's leadership came into question in Great Britain, I began to pray seriously about it. I had spent time in Great Britain, I was a great Margaret Thatcher fan, and I was concerned about the thought that she might be replaced as prime minister in the upcoming elections. Her party was to make a decision the next day. "Lord, keep Margaret Thatcher in power," I prayed that day publicly, as I opened our prayer meeting in Jerusalem.

We had a very powerful meeting that day, and several wonderful revelations came forth. One of them came through Sister Nancy Bergen. She saw England and prophesied concerning her. England had been a great shipbuilding nation, the Lord showed her, and had sent out ships all over the world. When the ships went out to the New World, however, they went not from England, but from Spain. The new, He said, would come forth from Spain.

When she said that, I knew that Spain represented Europe, and that because Margaret Thatcher had been trying to keep England out of the European Union, she would lose the leadership of her party the next day.

I stopped praying to block those who were trying to oust Margaret Thatcher from office, and I went further, by apologizing to those who were present in the prayer meeting and had heard my prayer for God to keep her in power. Whether we liked it or not, God had a plan for the last days, and those who were trying to block that plan must go. As much as I personally liked Margaret Thatcher, in the glory I knew that she must step aside and make room for others who would take European unity forward.

The next day Margaret Thatcher was defeated in her bid for the prime ministership of Great Britain, and I was at peace about the entire matter.

A few months later, it was announced that peace talks between Israel and her Arab neighbors would take place in Spain, and we were all surprised. Why would such talks be held in Spain? Then I realized that we should have known. God had spoken to us that the new would come out of Spain. We had not known exactly what the new thing God was talking about would be. Now I knew that the peace talks would be successful. The new would come out of Spain.

That knowledge brought great peace to my heart. I am a firm supporter of Israel, and if God had not given me that word, I would have been praying against the peace process every step of the way. Some of my friends have spent years of their lives and far too much of their energy praying against the talks. If the Lord said the talks would be successful, why should I be praying against them?

That word of revelation saved me a lot of headaches. Rather than fight against something that would ultimately succeed anyway, I was able to sit back and let God be God. I was able to trust Him that what came forth would be for the good of His people and for the good of the land of Israel.

Many things will happen in the days ahead that will be troubling to us, and the only way for us to know God's will and be able to guide others into it is to have a sure word from the Lord. Through *Revelation Glory,* God is able to drop bits of information into our spirits that will enable us to preserve our souls and spirits in the difficult days ahead.

This matter of struggling in prayer over issues relating to the city of Jerusalem and the Jewish people is one that God has helped me with over and over again. Throughout wars and political upheavals, the Lord has given me peace in my heart and a knowing that His will would ultimately prevail.

As events overtake us in these last days, if we are not careful, we could remain constantly stirred up within, and far too many Christians already live in that state. God has ordained peace to reign within our spirits. If we will just praise and worship God every day until the glory comes, the Lord will drop understanding into our spirits. He will put divine knowledge into our souls. He

will cause us to know what to do next. It will work today, tomorrow and the day after.

For years we prayed for China to open again to the Gospel. Then God told us it would indeed open, and we began to look for it to happen and to see how we could take advantage of those open doors.

God gave us revelation knowledge daily in our prayer meetings in Jerusalem, and the things He said to us were often startling and totally unexpected. Most of those attending the meetings were ordinary people who had a very limited knowledge of world matters, but for quite a while we had an Australian diplomat travel to Jerusalem from Tel Aviv every weekend to attend. As a diplomat, he had not only the Australian intelligence at his disposal, but he also had access to the intelligence services of America, Great Britain and other countries. After this diplomat had been attending for a while, he told us that our prayer meeting was six months ahead of all the diplomatic pouches on matters related to China, and that he had been coming to the prayer meeting to find out what God was doing there.

One day we were praying together about Syria, and a word came forth that Syria would enter the Lebanese War. The Syrians had not been involved until then. The next day, after our friend got back to Tel Aviv, he was trying to find some way of telling his boss, the ambassador, what he had learned. He didn't feel that he could say, "I have been in a Holy Ghost prayer meeting, and God said ... ," so he searched the local newspaper for some slight mention of the matter. He found an offhand remark that Prime Minister Begin had made about the Syrian matter, and with that he went to the ambassador and said, "I think we should send this information back to Canberra to the diplomatic desk there."

"But it's just an offhand comment," the ambassador answered. "How can we give weight to it?"

The diplomat had heard what God had said and believed it and was trying to find a way to be a little more emphatic so that the information would be taken seriously and forwarded to headquarters. After they had gone back and forth for a while on the issue, the ambassador said, "I don't see how we can act on such flimsy information. I'll tell you what: I'm having dinner with the American and British ambassadors this evening. I'll put out some feelers and see what I can learn. If they give me any indication that what you are saying is true, tomorrow we will forward the information to Canberra."

The next morning the ambassador came in and said to our friend, "Send that information we were discussing yesterday." Within a short time, Syria had joined the war, just as God had shown she would.

God is concerned about everything, and He has burdens we have not yet imagined. It is not for us to choose what we will pray about. God wants to get us involved in prayer about things we have never even thought of before.

Don't misunderstand me. There are certain things we know to pray for — our families, our friends, our leaders and our churches, for example. There are other concerns, however, that are not immediately obvious, and God will drop them into our spirits so that we can get involved in praying and believing for their satisfactory resolution. In this way, God will place on your heart things you have never considered. We can even take hold of nations and bring them into the presence of the Lord.

Some might say, "My little area (perhaps my community or my church) is all I can handle." If God calls you to carry a much greater burden, He will give you others to carry their share of the load.

Many Christians now refuse to listen to the news of the day. They find it too negative. They say, "I don't read a newspaper, and I don't listen to a newscast. I just read my Bible and concentrate on it." Although there is nothing wrong with reading the Bible, God is looking for those who will be aware of what is happening around them and will pray. In order to do that, you must be aware of the names of major politicians and other important men and women of the day. The more informed you are, the more intelligently you can pray.

If you listen to everyone else around you and pray for everything they want you to pray for, you won't get anything else done. Don't pray according to the desires of others. Get a word from Heaven. Get a revelation from the Spirit. You can know the mind of God, and this can make you involved in His purposes in the earth.

We are often just as biased in our prayers as we are in everyday life. Because of what people have said, we sometimes pray against some politician, for instance, when sometimes God is trying to elevate him.

It happened some years ago in Australia. One day I was praying in Jerusalem, and the Lord said to me, "I want you to go to Australia and anoint Bob Hawke to be the next prime minister of Australia." I had heard of the name. Bob Hawke was the head of the labor movement in Australia, but I knew nothing more about the man.

I flew to Sydney, and when a friend asked me why I had come, I said, "God sent me to anoint Bob Hawke to be the next prime minister of Australia."

"Well, he just resigned his position with the labor movement," she said.

I said, "That must mean he's going to be running for Parliament." That made sense, because in the Australian political system it is impossible to become

prime minister without being a member of Parliament. “I need to meet him,” I told her.

“I happen to know that his best friend is in the hospital here,” my friend told me. “Our daughter is his good friend. We’ll see what we can do.”

A couple of days later I got a phone call. I heard a man’s voice saying, “This is Bob Hawke. I don’t know about visions, but I hope you’re right.” When I asked if I would be able to see him, he said I would, and we made an appointment to meet in Canberra in a few days.

Meanwhile, local Christians told me terrible things about the man. None of them seemed to have a very high opinion of him. They considered him to be an atheist.

The day I arrived at Bob Hawke’s office for our meeting, I had to push all this from my mind and concentrate on what God had told me in Jerusalem. I had learned that he was a friend of Israel, and that gave us something in common.

After that, we discovered some mutual friends whom we spoke of. Then I told him how God had spoken to me. I then asked him if I could come around the desk, lay hands on his head and prophesy. He was agreeable, and I prophesied over him, anointing him to be the next prime minister of Australia.

He thanked me and I left. A pastor and his wife were waiting for me downstairs in their car. They took me directly to the airport so that I could catch my flight back to Israel. On the way to the airport, the Lord told me to fly back to Sydney, go to the hospital and see Bob Hawke’s best friend who was hospitalized there. I got to Sydney and took a taxi to the hospital.

The man was not expecting me, but when I walked in he said, “Bob Hawke just called me and told me about your visit.” I sat and talked to this man for some time, prayed for him, took a taxi back to the airport and flew back to Israel.

A couple of years went by. I was in Australia several times during that period, but I never tried to see Bob Hawke. He had won his seat in Parliament, and I was certain that, in God’s time, he would be elevated.

One day, as I was praying in Jerusalem, the Lord said, “I want you to fly to Australia.” I took the next flight out.

By then, I had a reputation of doing strange things, so my friends were not totally surprised to see me. This time, however, I wasn’t at all certain about why I had come. I only knew that God had sent me.

“What’s happening with Bob Hawke these days?” I asked.

“Not much,” I was told. “He is keeping a low profile. There are some important issues being debated, but he’s not speaking up much.”

Then God said to me, “I brought you here that My word concerning him could be fulfilled.” Right there, in my friend’s dining room, I decreed that the word of God concerning Bob Hawke and his becoming Prime Minister of Australia would be hastened.

Within the next day or two, Prime Minister Fraser called for surprise elections. It was no surprise to us. We already knew that it was coming.

There was some turmoil in the Labor Party. Some of the members wanted to see Bob Hawke run against Prime Minister Fraser, but the head of the party refused to resign. “It will happen over my dead body,” he was quoted as saying. The next day, however, he suddenly and unexpectedly resigned, and Bob Hawke became the head of the Labor Party and candidate for prime minister of the country.

I flew over to New Zealand to preach for a couple of weeks, while the election campaign was going on in Australia, and then I went back to Australia. The election was to be held on a Saturday. On the Thursday before the election, all campaigning was suspended and I was able to I meet with Bob Hawke and his wife. “Did you ever think you would get to be head of the Labor Party so easily?” I asked him.

“No, I certainly didn’t,” he said.

“Well, God is going to give you the election on Saturday just that easily,” I assured him. “You will win the election by the highest percentage in Australian electoral history.”

I could hardly wait for Saturday to come. When it did, I decided to go shopping. I knew that there was no need for me to spend the day praying. The work was done. Bob Hawke’s election was guaranteed. As I went from shop to shop, I found myself singing a little chorus from the Scriptures:

> *Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the* LORD *our God.*
>
> Psalm 20:7

That night a friend sent a telegram from Melbourne. It said, “Bob Hawke is projected to win the election with the highest percentage in Australian history.” I looked up that verse I had been singing all day to put it into a congratulatory telegram to the new prime minister. I included the next verse too:

> *They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright.*
>
> Psalm 20:8

I was happy for Bob Hawke and for Australia. I knew that he would be good for the country.

God had put a knowing in my spirit that the doubts of many Australian believers could not destroy. We miss God's best often because of our prejudices.

I later learned that Bob Hawke's father had been a minister and that when his mother was carrying him, God had given them a promise: *"The government shall be upon his shoulders."* When the Christians of Australia were praying against Bob Hawke's election, they did not yet know this story.

In later years, when pastors among them would ask me, "If God wanted to anoint Bob Hawke, why wouldn't He have done it through one of us?" I had to tell them that it was because of their prejudices against the man. Bob Hawke's reputation had kept them from receiving and believing God's word concerning raising him up, and God had to send me all the way from Jerusalem to do it.

One of my closest friends in Australia, pastor of a church of five thousand members in Brisbane, had said of me during those years: "This is a woman of God in all things ... except that Bob Hawke thing." He didn't like Bob Hawke's politics and couldn't imagine that God wanted to raise him up.

A similar thing has happened to me with some American politicians. One day I was watching the news in Jerusalem when a delegation of American congressmen was shown on the screen. My attention was drawn specifically to one of them, and the Lord said to me, "Pray for him." I had never met this man, and was not conscious of ever having heard his name. All that day, whenever that particular clip would be run, something would leap up in my spirit to pray for him.

My close friend Connie Wilson was working with a Hebrew language school in Netanya, north of Jerusalem, and was coming back to Jerusalem to stay with us on weekends. That evening she came. I said to her, "Look at this congressman. I have been praying for him all day long."

Several days later, when Connie went back to Netanya, the director of the school said to her, "We are going to have an American congressional delegation visiting here next week. Would you be so kind as to take the responsibility of greeting the congressman who is head of the delegation and his wife and welcoming them to the city?" Connie was glad to oblige.

On the assigned day, Connie took some flowers and went to meet the congressman and his wife. During their conversation that day, she told the wife about how God had impressed upon me to pray for her husband. "Oh, I would love to meet her," she said, and it was arranged.

When the wife of the congressman arrived at our house, we were in the midst of our service, and we were all dancing around the room before the Lord. She came right in and joined us in the dancing. Later, we met her husband, and we

have remained good friends with them to this day. He was the one who opened the door for me to pray before our American Congress. Yet it all began when I was willing to allow God to give me a burden for a man I saw on the news.

When God drops revelation knowledge into our spirits, a knowing comes to us that we can trust and act upon. This should be our guide in prayer, not what we have heard bad about someone.

Sometimes we are not aware of words that God has given to parents about their children or of promises made to praying people in former generations. We may not perceive that the hand of God is upon certain people, but God knows and can reveal it to us. He wants to put greatness in us so that we judge others not so much by the seeing of our eyes or the hearing of our ears, but according to the heart of God that we feel in *Revelation Glory.*

Let God put a knowing in your spirit to believe for people in high places. There are many in authority for whom God wants us to believe. He will give us insights concerning those individuals and will drop a knowing concerning them into our spirits — even when everyone else is against them. We must believe for God's blessing, regardless of what others think or say.

When we live in *Revelation Glory*, our prayers are never wasted or in vain. When we insist on praying in our own understanding, too often we pray prayers that God is not about to answer.

Chapter 13: Revelation Glory and Worship

> *But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH.*
>
> John 4:23-24

Twice in the space of these two verses Jesus said that true worshipers must worship *"in spirit."* Worship is not true worship until the Holy Spirit gets involved. We may want to worship, and we may try to worship, but true worship is a miracle that only the Spirit of God can give us.

The Spirit creates worship within us, and we cannot worship unless He does. We can go through the form of worship, but until the Spirit touches our hearts, our minds and our lips, we cannot worship *"in truth."* Until He works a miracle upon us and places within us a greater love for Himself, we cannot be true worshipers.

How ironic that the Sunday morning services of many churches are called "worship services," and yet we do everything else in them but worship. Worship is not just singing songs or praying prayers or saying words. It is an intimacy of heart and soul with our Creator.

It only takes a moment for this miracle to happen, and it often comes suddenly. Until it does, we may be saying the right words and singing the right songs, but when the Spirit of worship comes, we know it. That worshipful atmosphere changes everything.

When this happens, if we will then take the time to worship, we will come into new realms of revelation. In the strictest sense of the word, however, we cannot worship in the first place without *Revelation Glory*. True worship demands it.

When we have moved into the true realm of worship, few words are necessary. I have memories from my childhood of us sitting in services in our church for hours and just singing a single word — or two words or three. We had entered into the realm of *Revelation Glory,* and little needed to be said. We were face-to-face with Jesus, and heart was communing with heart in the deepest intimacy.

Worship without revelation is limited, for the worship process is not only enhanced by the revelation of the Spirit of God. Revelation is essential to it.

When we begin to praise the Lord, we always feel the inadequacy of our words. There is so much we would like to say in that moment, but how to say it

is beyond us. Then a wonderful, miraculous creative process begins. The Spirit suddenly places new words within us, and we find ourselves speaking words of love and adoration unto God, words which we know we are not capable of in the natural. We are saying things that we have never thought of, things that never once crossed our minds. We are speaking beyond ourselves, beyond our capacity, beyond our human reasoning. This is a miracle. There is no other way to describe it.

The divine creative process places within us what did not previously exist, and God fills our mouths with created praise. It was not there until He created it. What we had was insufficient, but God added to it. What we needed was not present in us, but God put it there.

As new creatures, or a new creation, in Christ, we live with the expectation of receiving new experiences in God. Why should our worship be any different? The Spirit of God is able to take what is of the Earth (and earthly), of the natural (and natural), and change it into something eternal and divine.

Get a little chorus that works for you. Kathryn Kuhlman always had someone else leading the music in her services, but when she came out, everyone would shift to the simple "Alleluia" that always brought glory into her meetings. Find a little chorus that works for you, and if worshipful glory is not present, then learn to bring it in through worship. Sing that chorus through a few times until the atmosphere begins to change, and then begin to look for the glory to appear.

Begin to expect God to place new and unusual words in your mouth, words of love and adoration, words of exaltation and celebration, words of revelation and Holy Ghost inspiration. Begin to believe for *Revelation Glory.*

I was blessed as a child to be in the midst of revival. It didn't have a name then. Now we call it the 1948 Revival. We didn't realize it at the time, but when Israel became a nation, a worldwide revival was released. The thing that stood out the most to me as a child was the revelatory realm that was opened in that revival. The songs we sang in those days were right out of the book of Revelation.

Song after song came out of that revelatory experience. You cannot sing a song like that unless you've seen it, unless you've tasted it, unless you've experienced it.

Many new songs have been written in this current revival, but so far, they have not reached the same level of revelatory glory. But it's coming.

Revelation Glory produces sounds of glory, and it comes to ordinary individuals like you and me as we are worshiping the Lord and are carried away in His Spirit.

Chapter 14: Revelation Glory and Doctrine

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, HE SHALL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 14:26

Among believers everywhere, there are dozens of differing opinions about major Bible doctrines. Each of us seems to be sure that the particular doctrinal position we hold is exactly what God had in mind from the beginning. The differences that divide us are not only a result of our different backgrounds and teaching, but also due to the fact that every generation has had a different understanding of certain truths. This may be due, in part, to the cultural climate of the day in which each lived. What each of us needs to do is ask the Lord about what troubles us and believe what He shows us. After all, as we have seen again and again, the Holy Spirit is the Teacher, and He has promised to teach us *"all things."*

Soon after a friend of mine had been saved and filled with the Spirit, she was offended one day by my father's simple approach to Heaven. That surprised me because I didn't think anyone could preach on Heaven like Daddy did. He made you want to go there — immediately. When he preached at funerals, those listening to him were all wishing they were the one in the box.

After listening to Daddy preach one afternoon at a meeting in one of our churches in the Virginia countryside, my friend said to me, "That's a poor people's concept of Heaven. When people have limited financial means, they naturally think of 'streets of gold,' 'gates of pearl,' 'foundations' made of precious jewels and a 'New Jerusalem.' " She was from a well-to-do family and therefore considered herself to be much more sophisticated in her beliefs.

Our parents had taught us early not to argue with anyone about the Bible, so I just said to her, "Why don't you ask the Lord about it?"

She took my advice, and that night she knelt at the altar of our Richmond church and prayed, asking God to speak to her about Heaven. About two hours later, she got up from her knees and began to share her visions.

She had majored in the history of art at college and had been taught to examine closely and critique works of art. She could look at a painting and tell me the most amazing things about it. She was very observant in this regard. No detail escaped her attention.

In her vision, she had seen Heaven like a painting on canvas. After her attention was drawn to one detail of the canvas, some question would come to

her mind. She would ask the question, and immediately the Lord would shift the focus of the vision, so that she could see some other part of Heaven in detail.

She saw things that night that my father hadn't even preached about in the sermon she heard. For instance, she saw people bringing their sheaves to lay at Jesus' feet and receive their reward. She saw one man come with a dump truck full. He opened the chute, and the sheaves were dumped at the Master's feet. Another man came with a wheelbarrow full. He tipped up his wheelbarrow and poured out its contents before the Lord. Another man came with an armload and laid it before the Lord. Then she saw herself, and she was standing before the Lord with empty arms. It was that night that she committed her life to the harvest field.

After that first experience, God began to teach my friend the Bible by vision. Every time we went to church to pray, she would kneel at the altar and begin seeing some aspect of God's truth. Sometimes she would be there for thirty minutes, sometimes forty-five minutes, and sometimes longer.

When we got back home, she would tell me some of the things she was seeing. Once, for instance, I recognized the vision she had received that night as teachings from the book of Ezekiel. Another time, her vision was from the book of Revelation. I would tell her where the things she had seen in her visions were found in the Bible, and she would turn to that particular portion and read it. Most of us are accustomed to reading something first in the Bible. Then, we may later allow God to show us bits and pieces of it in vision. She did just the opposite; God taught her the Bible through visions.

I have known other people who received this same experience. Whether it is through vision or through some other means of revelation, God's Spirit is *"the Spirit of Truth,"* and He has promised to teach us *"all things."* If we will allow Him to do it and give Him time to do it, He will teach us His ways.

Thank God that we don't have to believe exactly as others do in order to be one in the Spirit of the living God. As we open our hearts to Him, He can enlighten us with *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 15: Revelation Glory and Unity

And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one.

John 17:22

As I showed in my book *Unifying Glory*, one of the greatest challenges of our time is to love and embrace all the various members of the family of God. Many times we find this difficult to do, but when we get God's mind on the matter through *Revelation Glory,* it becomes easy.

When God shows you His thoughts concerning a certain person, it changes the way you think about him and the way you interact with him. Because God desires to bless all men everywhere, suddenly you want to bless all men — regardless of political affiliation, race or background.

God's desire for us is that we be able to look every brother in the eye with an open faith and bless him in the name of the Lord. When we cannot find the ability within us to do this, God will give us the ability — in the glory realm.

We must not allow our negative feelings toward some brother or sister to limit the scope of our usefulness to the Kingdom. We must be ready to be used in every capacity God has designed us for.

God is calling us to be a people of generous spirit and attitude, and we can only do this as we catch a glimpse of His thoughts and intents toward our fellowmen.

Some people are financially generous, but they have not yet learned to be generous of spirit toward others. Financial generosity can never replace a lack of generosity of spirit.

We often have no problem giving to God. After all, He is perfect. It's the people around us that bother us, and we find ourselves denying them the generosity to which God is calling us.

When you are making out your earthly will, you can decide who you feel merit your favor and bless them accordingly, but when it comes to God's family, we have no such right or privilege. God loves all His children, and we should too. He has called us to love all men everywhere, to love as He has loved, and we cannot do that in our own strength.

We are so petty sometimes that when a brother or sister tries to make amends for some offense of the past, we try to make him or her "toe the mark" to the last point. "Don't you want to say you're sorry for all those other things you did?" we suggest.

If others are sorry for something they have done to us in the past, we should

rejoice and be grateful. Don't push for more. God didn't push us to be perfect before He would forgive a simple wrong that we had recognized and for which we were asking His forgiveness.

Many women tell me that they have never once heard the words "I'm sorry" from their husbands. Some men find it difficult to say such words. However, these same men will often do something nice that says "I'm sorry" in a different way. They might bring home your favorite ice cream or buy you a music CD you have been wanting. Rejoice in it. See it as God sees it. Some people don't know how else to say "I'm sorry."

If you find it difficult to accept these acts of contrition, let the Spirit of God wash over you, and in the glory you will find it in your heart to forgive.

One of the most important teachings our parents gave my brother and me as we were growing up was not to let the sun go down on our wrath. Every time we come short of the glory of God in this regard, we have until the sun goes down to correct it.

If you are having difficulty apologizing, let God show you the need of your spouse's heart or the feeling of the other person you have wronged.

Some people just cannot bring themselves to apologize when they have wronged someone, and it does take bigness to apologize. This is part of the seeds of greatness that God places in us through *Revelation Glory.* He gives us the ability to apologize, to say:

"I'm sorry, I shouldn't have gotten upset."
"I shouldn't have said it in that tone of voice."
"I shouldn't have gotten involved, and I am sorry."
"I overstepped myself. Please forgive me."

Say it in the way that seems easiest to you, the way that God enables you. These are just some suggestions. I can share them because I have had plenty of experience in this regard. Whatever you need to say to become the person God intends you to be, do it. Let the seeds of greatness He has planted in your spirit bring forth fruit.

If you learn to feel what others are feeling and to respond to them in this way, it will remove a heavy weight from your shoulders. It will free you of many of the unnecessary stresses of life.

During one of the services at our 1999 Summer Campmeeting, Sister Cathy Grey from the Smithton Revival and Larry Mauriello from the Benny Hinn Ministries were sitting with me on the platform, and we agreed together in prayer for great victory. This is something that we must see more of in the days ahead. We must lose our competitive spirits and join hands to see the harvest

reaped.

If we are to reach the level of expansion and extension that God has promised, we simply must lay aside our pettiness and love one another. Father demands it. He is calling us to a largeness of heart, a generosity of spirit and a longsuffering toward others in the family. Let us move into it through *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 16: Revelation Glory and Seeds of Greatness

It shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

Matthew 20:23

It is at God's throne, in the glory realm, that seeds of greatness are sown into our spirits.

The mother of the disciples James and John wanted to know if her two children could have seats on either side of the Lord when He came into His Kingdom. He answered her that this privilege was not His to give. This designation had already been made by the Father: *"It shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father."* Jesus knew that after the Day of Pentecost, His disciples would no longer ask these kinds of questions. They would all be in the realm of the Spirit and would all be lifted up together.

Achieving greatness is not a matter of educational attainment or worldly promotion. It is a gift from God that comes to us in the Spirit realm.

During the 1950s and 60s, God raised up a great group of Christian businessmen under the leadership of Demos Shakarian, the son of Armenian immigrants to California, and used them to bring revival both here and abroad. The organization Demos founded was called the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship, and few organizations have had a greater impact for the Kingdom of God in our generation.

Demos was in America because of revelation, and he was able to raise up such a powerful organization because of seeds of greatness planted in his spirit.

A group of Christians in Armenia had been praying, and one of their small sons was carried away in the Spirit and had a vision. He tried to draw the vision he had seen so that his elders could understand it. What God was telling them was that they should leave Armenia and go to a distant land.

The child knew little about world geography, but the map he drew was clearly of the American West Coast. As a result of his vision, a large group of Armenian Pentecostals left home to settle in California. Shortly after they had embarked on their journey, a Turkish massacre took place in their homeland. Their lives were spared only because they had already escaped to America.

These Armenian believers prospered in America and raised healthy and happy families. From their ranks, God raised up Demos Shakarian to bring forth one of the finest Christian businessmen's organization the world has ever seen. Because a child got in the Spirit and had a simple vision, our nation and many others were blessed.

That particular group of Armenian Christians was not accustomed to having

visions like that. Perhaps they had never needed them before. Now they did, and God brought it forth sovereignly by His Spirit. It would have been very easy for those men to have dismissed the vision of a child as not worthy of their support or not worthy of taking such a huge risk. They did neither.

Many men have tried to duplicate what Demos Shakarian did and have been unsuccessful. It is God who puts seeds of greatness within us — by His Spirit.

It is expedient in these days that we learn to praise and worship and come into the glory realm. It is there, on the mountain height, as we stand in the presence of God, face-to-face with Him, surrounded by the cloud of His glory, that He drops greatness into our spirits.

It was on the mountain with the Lord that Moses received the touch that would enable him to lead an entire generation of people out of bondage and to the very gates of the Promised Land. He had no example to look to in history for guidance. Nothing even similar had happened to the Jewish people in the past. He was the first, and it took a great man to do what he did. He could not have done it, however, without the touch of greatness he received in the glory of God.

This is important to us today, because we are in a period when God is also doing new and unusual things. We must be ready to move with Him and to accomplish exploits for His Kingdom. We must know God as Moses knew Him and live in the cloud of His presence as Moses did.

God is ready to do for us today the same miracles He did for Moses as he led his people on their way to the Promised Land. Everything we have experienced until this moment is only a preparation for the things God is about to do. Our former years have been a training ground for our immediate tomorrows. We are about to move into a greater and more glorious day, and we can prepare for it only in the glory realm.

A few years ago, I was standing in a meeting, and I saw a vision of satellite television. I began to prophesy concerning God using satellite television to reveal His glory to the nations. A few weeks later, I was invited to speak on satellite television from Dallas, Texas. In one session on satellite television, I reached more people than I had in forty years of traveling continually all over the world. What a wonderful day this is! God has satellite television ministries and even greater things than that in store for those who will reach out and grab hold of it in the Spirit.

In 1996, during a meeting at CBN in Virginia Beach, Virginia, I was invited to prophesy over Brother Oral Roberts. I thought I would probably be a little nervous when they called me to prophesy over him. He had been one of the greatest men of God in America during the 1950s and 60s and on into the 70s. I

had never met him personally, but I had attended his meetings when I was a child. I had heard his son say the night before something to the effect that his father had retired and moved to California.

When I laid my hand on his head, however, I received the words, "Your greatest days are ahead." If it hadn't been the Lord, I surely would have been nervous about saying it. When I finished giving the prophecy, he said to me, "I am putting together a network of a hundred and twenty television stations," and I began to see what God was saying. The next time I saw him minister by television, he had a renewed vigor.

It is difficult for us to understand the greatness of what God is doing in this day and hour. To think that during one program you or I can reach more people than Kathryn Kuhlman ever reached in her lifetime! It's a staggering thought. In one televised broadcast, we can reach out to more people than Aimee Semple McPherson, Oral Roberts, Jack Coe, A.A. Allen and many others reached. What an amazing day!

I made this statement once in a service in Jerusalem, and a young Jewish man approached me afterward and asked, "Have you ever considered the Internet?"

I said, "Well, I've heard about it."

He said, "I want to put you on the Internet, because there you will reach more than the numbers you are talking about on satellite television." And he proceeded to do it. Today people from all over the world are being blessed. Even people in "closed" countries can read my books on the Internet.

What a day! What great opportunities! We must allow the greatness of what God is doing to fill our hearts and cause us to believe for the nations.

When we fall out under the power of God, we are not just lying down on the floor. We are falling into greatness. It may seem to others that we are just lying on the floor, but we are enveloped in God's greatness, and He is sowing seeds of greatness into our spirits while we are there in His glory.

The seeds of greatness God will plant in you in the glory are beyond anything you have experienced until now, beyond anything you have learned, beyond anything you have known. As long as you are willing to remain in His glory, He will pour it on you.

When I met Eli Mizrachi, I am convinced that he would not have given me the time of day if it had not been for the fact that I carried with me the weight of God's glory. He was curious about my interest in many nations of the world. "How is it," he asked, "that the daughter of a humble pastor from Richmond, Virginia, has such an interest in the nations?" I explained to him that during revival God had dropped greatness into my spirit.

When we sit under the anointed ministry of men and women of God and when their hands are laid on us, we may feel something happening, but we are surely not fully aware of the seeds of greatness that are being planted within us at that very moment. Our consciousness cannot take it in, but God is placing something wonderful within us. If it is allowed to grow and flourish, it will surely bring forth great fruit in its season.

Most of us have not even begun to fulfill our destinies. Most of us have not even scratched the surface of the reason for which God has brought us into His Kingdom. Most of us are not yet fully aware of why we are in this world. God is ready to do greater things through every one of us.

During the great Revival of 1948, ministers came to our city and laid hands on my mother and father prophetically. At the time, my parents were pastoring a church of about thirty-five people, but the Lord said they would "preach to multitudes."

It's always good when the prophet doesn't know the people to whom he is prophesying. That way, he hears from Heaven and doesn't bother to analyze what he is saying.

Before ten years had passed, my parents were preaching to thirty thousand people a night in India. God did it through the seeds of greatness that had been planted in their spirits those many years before.

It has been my privilege to minister in all the nations of the world and to go to some nations again and again. Most of our co-workers have also gone to nation after nation, and have done so time after time. My mother preached in more than eighty nations. She went to China fourteen or fifteen times, and to other nations many times.

I have prophesied over pastors, only to have them confess to me, "When you prophesied those great things over me, I thought they were fairy tales. I didn't believe a word of what you were saying, but every word has come to pass." When they moved into a place of believing, the seeds of greatness sown into their lives flourished and brought forth a harvest.

Ron Wyatt was an anesthesiologist in a hospital, but he felt led to go into archeology. He went to Jerusalem seeking permission to do some archeological excavations, but because of his inexperience, he was denied. He and his son were swimming one day down at the Mediterranean coast, when Ron's foot hit something in the water. It turned out to be the great funeral pyre from Phoenicia that the great archeologist Kathleen Kenyon had been looking for for many years.

Ron went right up to Jerusalem, found the director of the Archaeology

Department and took him down to see what he had found. On the basis of this find, he was immediately granted permission to excavate, and he went on to make many finds.

I met him and learned his story when the two of us were speakers at a meeting in Melbourne, Australia. A group of us were all staying together in the same house, and one night after I had gone to bed, I heard Ron Wyatt talking. As it turned out, he hadn't been talking at all. I heard it in the Spirit.

When I saw him the next morning, I said to him, "I had a strange experience last night. I heard you talking at the site of an excavation. Was there a 'second room'?"

He flushed and said, "When you come to Tennessee to see us, I'll tell you about it."

I never made it to Tennessee, and Ron has since gone on to be with the Lord, but God had dropped that secret into my heart by the Holy Spirit.

Ron Wyatt claimed to have discovered the Ark of the Covenant on one of his digs. This created a lot of controversy, and people have often asked me if I believed him. All I can say is that each time I heard him tell the story, he began to weep. His weeping was not one of sorrow, but a glory cry, and that caused me to believe what he was saying.

God takes ordinary people, perhaps successful in their particular field of endeavor, and puts them into another field, completely different from the first, and causes them to do exceedingly great things in that field because of His glory. Some of you who are reading these words have received great promises from God. Rest in the Spirit, and let the glory propel you forth. Each day, cultivate your intimate relationship with God through praise and worship and entering into His glory. Let the seeds of greatness He drops into your spirit grow until they produce.

Don't struggle to make it happen. Let God do it in the glory realm. It won't happen because of your "busyness." The door will not open because you have forced it open. Stay in the glory, and at just the right moment, God will move you forward.

As we were coming out of China after our first trip there, we went to Korea for a few days to visit Dr. Paul Yonggi Cho and his church. He told us to be sure to meet his mother-in-law. We were taken to the famous Prayer Mountain where many great miracles of healing have been received and where prayer has been going up around the clock for many years.

Our driver couldn't speak much English, but he motioned that he wanted us to follow him up the hill. There we met Sister Jashil Choi, Dr. Cho's mother-in-law.

We hadn't realized that she was his assistant pastor, and deservedly so. She had prayed all night for ten years as the church grew from five members to more than a hundred thousand.

Before we parted that day, the Lord gave us three things to say prophetically to her: (1) that she was to forget her age, (2) that she should accept every invitation to the nations and (3) that she should not worry about the language. (She spoke only Korean and Japanese. Her English was limited to a few words, like "glory," "hallelujah," "I love you" and "Jesus.")

We didn't know it at the time, but Sister Choi had just recently retired. She was sixty, and that was considered old in Asia for her position. She had gone out and bought a very expensive bed for her retirement. Although there was nothing wrong with buying such a bed, it was an indication of her state of mind. An era had ended, and she was now planning to take life easy.

After announcing her retirement, she had discovered a large growth in her abdomen. When she received that prophetic word, she rose up and obeyed it, and God healed her of the growth. We later learned that she had gone out and established sixteen churches in sixteen nations in the first year after coming out of retirement. She lived another fifteen fruitful years before God took her home.

Some of those who are folding up their tents need to raise them up again. It is time to forget age and every other natural limitation. Our most fruitful years are just ahead, and God will cause us to prosper beyond our expectations.

A dear lady in her seventies came to our camp about the time China was opening. She decided to take her Social Security pension and go live in Hong Kong. For many years afterward, she went in and out of China taking Bibles. The last time I saw her, at seventy-four or five, she was still tramping Bibles all through China. It was because of people like her that the former Communist nations opened.

There are thousands of opportunities just like this one awaiting us in many parts of the world. Things that we have never considered can be dropped into our spirits as we gain Heaven's perspective and allow seeds of greatness to be sown into our spirits.

My friend Mahesh Chavda seems, to many, to be far too humble a man for God to have used him for such great things. But he has now held some of the largest and most successful healing campaigns some countries have ever known. Up to half a million people have gathered to hear him in several countries, and every type of miracle is performed in his meetings — even to the raising of the dead.

What exciting times these are! Cast off your yoke of mediocrity and lay hold

of the seeds of greatness for your life. Allow *Revelation Glory* to flood your soul, and you will be amazed at the enormity of the thing that God desires to do through you.

Chapter 17: Revelation Glory and Revival

> *For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and HIS GLORY SHALL BE SEEN UPON THEE.*
>
> Isaiah 60:2

Is this a time of the greatest revival the world has ever known? Or is it the time of the greatest apostasy ever? It depends on whom you ask. It depends on how you look at things. If you look at every problem around you, you might have reason to be discouraged. If you look at every evil desire of men, you might have reason to despair. All I can tell you is that every time I get in the Spirit and begin to see things as God sees them, one of the first things I see is revival. I see the promise of God:

> *THE EARTH SHALL BE FULL OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*
>
> Isaiah 11:9

In the Spirit, I see revival in many aspects. In one service, I saw flames of revival leaping and surrounding the United Nations building in New York City. I thought to myself, "What quicker way could there be to get revival to every nation than to have revival at the United Nations?" God wants to do it. Can we believe Him for it?

God wants to use you as an instrument of revival, as an instrument of harvest, and He will do it as you catch the vision, as you move into *Revelation Glory*. The coming days will be marked with fireworks, not those that the world makes and explodes, but spiritual explosions that God Himself is bringing forth.

When God said to me one summer during our summer campmeeting, "Nice is nice," I knew that He wanted us to go to Nice, France, and we began to make plans to do so. During the next few weeks, God spoke to about thirty young people to go with us, and we sent several scouts ahead to find and rent some houses in which we could live and pray.

They were able to rent three houses just outside of Nice, in a little place called Carros, and for a year our group lived there, believing for revival in France and in all Europe. Word began to spread that we were praying there in the village every day from about 8:00 in the morning until 1:00 in the afternoon. Catholic priests would drive all night on Friday night with their parishioners from Paris to come down and pray with us for the weekend. During that time, we prayed for many priests to be filled with the Spirit.

While we were in France that year, I did the only forty-day fast I have ever

done on nothing but water. I was believing for great revival in France and the other countries of Europe. A little later, our people traveled throughout the country and throughout the Continent speaking to Jews about going home to Israel and spreading revival.

Many people had been insisting that France was too hard for revival, but little by little, we saw the walls come down. I knew it would happen because God had given me many visions of France. I chose to believe what He said about the country and revival — and not what men said.

What God has promised is sure. It may tarry, but it will come to pass. Eventually, great revival broke out in France.

The same could be said of Jerusalem. It was considered to be a hard place when the Lord spoke to us to take twenty-five young people and go there. Since He had spoken, we were sure that He would do the rest.

We sent two sisters ahead of us to find suitable accommodations. We needed housing and we needed a place to worship. Since the Lord had been speaking about Mount Zion, we felt that we needed to find a place on Mount Zion itself. We had the promise of God:

> *And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence.*
>
> Isaiah 4:5

If we were to have so many young people living with us there, we needed to live in a place where the glory would cover us and be our defense.

One of the places the two sisters were sent to inquire was to the fathers at the church known as St. Peter-en-Gallicantu. “I’m sorry,” the fathers told them, “we have no living spaces available. But surely you will need a place to worship.”

My associate said, “Father, I’m sorry, but it wouldn’t be possible for us to worship here.”

He said, “Why not?”

She said, “Well, because we’re Pentecostal.”

He said, “That doesn’t matter.”

“But we’re the loud kind of Pentecostal,” she protested.

He said, “That doesn’t matter.”

She tried to think of everything that would be an obstacle, but each time he said, “It doesn’t matter.”

Finally, she said, “If we had our own church building here, we would like to have Communion at least once a month.”

“Consider this to be your church,” he told her. “I take full responsibility.”

So it was that well before the Charismatic Movement had taken hold in Jerusalem and before the various groups were cooperating, we had a place of our own to worship provided by the Catholic fathers of the city.

Many of the churches in Jerusalem are not for the use of local congregations. They are there for pilgrims who visit, and the rest of the time they are empty. St. Peter-en-Gallicantu is just such a church. It is built over the site of the house of Caiaphas, the high priest, and it was in that place that Peter denied the Lord. Many pilgrims visit the church and pray, but during the nights it was silent. No more. For the next ten years, we had the privilege of affirming the Lord in that sacred spot four nights a week.

When we first arrived in Israel with the group and I saw the place God had given us to worship, I realized that it was to the balcony of that very church that Eli had taken me, just a year before, to overlook the Old City. It was there that I had realized for the first time that my feet were standing on Mount Zion. It was the perfect place for us, and I knew in that moment that God had something great in mind for Jerusalem.

I said to Eli the next time I saw him, “You’re the one who brought us to this church.”

“Oh,” he said, “you would have found it anyway.” Perhaps. God knew what He wanted for Jerusalem, and today many churches in the Holy City enjoy the moving of the Holy Spirit in their services.

Great revival is also coming to Russia. One night, as I was preaching in Virginia, I noticed a missionary couple in the congregation. I had not yet had an opportunity to meet them, but as I glanced in their direction, I saw the New Jerusalem over their heads. It was suspended over Moscow. This was the beginning of something new for me, for such a glory came forth from the New Jerusalem I saw over their heads that it affected my eyes and came through them into my spirit. I was instantly drunk on the Spirit. For about a week after that, every time I got in the anointing in a service where the glory was, this same glory would affect my eyes, and I could not keep them open. Then I would become drunk and carried away in the Spirit.

When I saw this vision over their heads, I began to prophesy of revival coming to Moscow. I saw that such revival was coming to the city that those of us who would go there to be a blessing would instead receive a blessing.

After the service, I learned that the couple was presently ministering in a place several hours outside of Moscow, but they were planning to move into the city within a few months. The week before they had come to America, the wife had

been running an errand, and her husband was waiting for her in the car. While he waited, two angels got in the car with him and began to tell him of revival that would be coming to Russia.

The angels left before the man's wife came back from her shopping. As she got into the car, she felt that great heavenly presence and was unable to speak. Her husband also found himself unable to speak for a time, so it was some time later before he could tell her what had happened. What exciting days these are! God is sending revival throughout the Earth.

In these closing days of time, God's word for the Church everywhere is glorious. America will continue to see great revival, and other nations will too.

In January of 2000, while I was attending the annual Presidential Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., someone came up to interview me on video for a new prayer center that was opening there in the nation's Capitol. The interviewer asked, "If the American people don't repent, what will happen to this country?"

I had to answer that I never think in those terms. I have already seen the revival in the realm of the Spirit, and I know that this nation *will* experience the fire of God moving from coast to coast and border to border. It will be a mighty move of the Spirit of God. We must stop asking, "What will happen if people don't respond?" and must get ready for what will happen when they do.

We will see glory in the White House, in the Congress and in the Supreme Court. We will see it in our governors' mansions and our mayors' offices across America. God said that the whole earth would be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. I know it by *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 18: Revelation Glory and Ministry

For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge BY THE SAME SPIRIT; to another faith BY THE SAME SPIRIT; to another the gifts of healing BY THE SAME SPIRIT; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: But all these worketh that one and THE SELFSAME SPIRIT, dividing to every man severally as he will.

1 Corinthians 12:8-11

Every area of ministry is enhanced by *Revelation Glory*. When we stay in God's presence until He reveals to us the thoughts and intents of the hearts of men, it enables us to minister to them effectively. And when we wait in the glory until we know the very thoughts and intents of God's heart, we know what He wants us to minister.

When we get up to preach and the anointing of *Revelation Glory* comes, we begin to say things we have never thought of before. We begin to speak words we have never considered before. We begin to do things we have never contemplated before. It all comes to us in that great anointing of the flow of *Revelation Glory.*

Prophecy, one of the most important ministries for the end time, is impossible without *Revelation Glory*. God is giving us a prophetic voice, and I encourage believers everywhere to begin to prophesy. Some, who are accustomed to praying out what God is showing them, should prophesy it instead. The depth of *Revelation Glory* is best expressed through prophecy. Prophesy into the life of the person God is speaking to you about.

I seldom pray for people anymore. I prophesy to them. If there is some knowledge in my heart placed there by God's Spirit, I release it through the prophetic flow. I do this because there is an authority in the words of prophecy that no other words can possibly hold. Try it. Begin to prophesy.

"But how do I begin?" many ask.

First, it is important to speak in a voice loud enough for everyone to hear you. How can they reap the benefit of what God is saying if they cannot even hear it? This sounds like something everyone should know, but many don't seem to realize how important it is.

Second, begin your prophecy by saying, "Thus saith the Lord," or as many Charismatic believers now say, "So says the Lord," or "The Lord says." What you say is very different from what God says. Let everyone know up front that

what you are about to say is not from your own thoughts, but is something God is showing you.

When you say, “Thus saith the Lord,” that simple action releases a prophetic flow, and you will be amazed at what follows. Just about the time you say “Thus saith the Lord,” the Lord will say to you, “I have been waiting all day for someone through whom I could speak.” You will sense that He is excited about your willingness to voice the desires of His heart, and you will be blessed as you speak on His behalf.

This method of beginning a prophecy is where many make a serious mistake. If you insist on saying, “I have an impression ... ,” “I feel ... ,” “Something tells me ... ,” “I’m not quite sure, but I think ... ,” there will be no miraculous prophetic flow. When you preface your prophecy with such statements, you are minimizing what you have received from God. When you say, “Thus saith the Lord,” what you say bears a new weight of authority — as it should.

These words, “Thus saith the Lord,” are not magic words, and you might use another phrase just as effectively. The important thing is to let people know that what you are saying is from God, that He is speaking through you.

Prophecy releases a creative flow, and unusual things begin to happen. As you prophesy the one thing God has already shown you, He will show you more. In this way, your prophecy will be unfolding, line upon line, as you receive the revelation from God.

There is an impartation that comes with prophecy, and the lives of those with whom you share *Revelation Glory* will be forever changed.

Several years ago, I wanted to introduce myself to one of the speakers at the Feast of Tabernacles celebration in Jerusalem. As he was being introduced, it was revealed that he had been having large and successful stadium meetings in many parts of the world. As was my custom, I determined to welcome him to the city and tell him how happy we were that he had come.

It was impossible to get near him that night because so many were gathered around him, but the next night I saw my opportunity and approached him at the front of the auditorium. I was just starting to introduce myself, when he said, “Oh, you don’t need to tell me who you are. Everything that has happened to me happened because of the prophecy you gave over me many years ago.” I wasn’t conscious of ever having met the man, but he had passed in front of me, like so many other thousands of young people, and I had prophesied over him.

He told me, “What the brothers said last night when they introduced me is only a small part of what God has done,” and he began to tell me miracle after miracle that had taken place in his life. It all happened because I was able to get

into *Revelation Glory* and was willing to speak out of my spirit what God was showing me.

The brother did not look familiar to me, and I may not have ever looked at him. I commonly close my eyes as I prophesy, so that I can look into the heavenlies and into the face of Jesus. What He shows me as I look into His face is what I speak out.

When you insist on looking at the person, you may get some impression from his or her facial expression or body language. Close your eyes, and let God declare the great thing He has reserved for that child of His. He wants to speak greatness into His children's lives, and He wants to speak it through YOU.

Some people are hesitant to prophesy to someone else greater things than have happened to them personally. I look at it the opposite way. I love to prophesy into the lives of others all the great things I want God to do for me. Why limit God?

The prophetic word is powerful, and we must learn to yield to it.

God's Word declares:

For ye may all prophesy.

1 Corinthians 14:31

If God gives you an opportunity to prophesy, why lose it? You may never get just such an opportunity again. Some people want to wait until a person has grown spiritually before they prophesy fully into his life. But if God is showing you something, now is the time to speak it forth. Trust God to know what He is doing. You may not pass this way again, and this may be your only opportunity. Speak forth what God is showing you, and He will do the rest.

Prophecy serves a far greater purpose than speaking God's word to people. The prophets of old prophesied to mountains and to winds and to seas. Prophesy over situations. Speak into them what God is showing you in *Revelation Glory*. Prophesy to your finances. Prophesy to your enemies and bless them in the name of the Lord.

If you pick and choose the people you will prophesy to, you may miss the future spiritual giants in your midst, the Sauls whom God wants to turn into Pauls. You may miss the Peters because they have denied the Lord and your mind tells you they are not worthy of greatness in God. If you choose to minister from the natural mind, you will miss many of the great things God wants to do. Close your eyes, and see with God's eyes. Then prophesy from *Revelation Glory.*

Sometimes there are people in our midst who are very critical of us, and we

don’t feel comfortable in their presence or know how to relate to them. Once, a very intellectual priest was in my meeting, and I was aware that he had done a critique of one of my books. I felt very uncomfortable. I suddenly felt like I was in the midst of a horde of giants. I closed my eyes tightly and kept them closed, and God began to give me visions. One after another, he gave me visions for those present, and I began to declare what I was seeing.

After a while, God gave me a vision for this very learned man, and I told him what I was seeing. He came forward, and I was able to minister to him. In the end, my critic and I became close friends.

In one of our campmeetings, I saw a vision of a brother who had come from Central Africa. He was on the fingertip of God, and God was twirling him around. I sensed that he was wondering how God could fulfill the great words he was receiving in those days, but when I saw him on the tip of God’s finger and I declared it openly in the service, He knew that God would somehow cause him to be seen, to have great visibility. God would raise him up. I knew that I would be hearing amazing things from him in the future. This has happened over and over again.

One night, when I was living in Jerusalem, I received a telephone call. The voice on the other end of the line was one I hadn’t heard in some twenty years. He said, “This is Betta Mengistu. I’m sure you don’t remember me.”

I did remember him and said, “Betta, you were with the Presbyterians in Ethiopia years ago.”

He said, “Yes, that’s right. I’m in Jerusalem. Can my wife and I come to see you?”

When they came to our house, he said, “We have come to say ‘thank you.’ When we were young students, you prophesied over both of us that God would use us all over the world. At the time, we couldn’t even afford bus money to get across Addis, and we didn’t have proper clothes to wear to the meetings. We couldn’t believe that any of the things you said were possible. We were not married then, but we got married soon afterward.”

He went on, “I want to tell you some of the things God has done for us,” and he did. The Lord had taken him all over the world as a representative for *The Living Bible.* He traveled every few months to each of the African nations where the governmental leaders made themselves available to him. That night in Jerusalem he would be having dinner with a group of people that included the Israeli prime minister.

He had come to be known in many countries as “the Apostle of the Ethiopians,” and he was holding large conferences in places like Sweden, Italy

and the Sudan. Each year he chose a new part of the world for his conferences.

When I prophesied into the life of Betta and his fiancée, he couldn't see what I was telling him, but God saw it and showed it to me. We must not prophesy what we see with the natural eye. Let the eye of the Spirit behold the great mysteries of God. Betta conducts a regular prayer meeting in Nairobi, Kenya, and several thousand people attend.

I could tell one story after another of this type. Prophecy creates an anointed flow that changes lives, and we must not be afraid to be a voice for the Lord. His word is not ours to confirm. It is ours to speak.

You will not automatically receive a strong prophetic anointing the first time you attempt to prophesy. As you do it regularly, however, your prophetic anointing will increase. As you prophesy, your confidence and boldness will grow, and you will be able to speak forth greater and greater things.

You may start prophesying, for instance, by saying, "God is going to bless you and use you to bless others." That's a great word. But as you become more confident, you might say, "God is going to bless you, and He's going to send you abroad, and you'll be a blessing to others." A little later, when you find your confidence getting stronger, you might say, "God is going to bless you. He's going to send you abroad. He's going to send you to [such and such place], and He wants you to bless the people there." In other words, increased confidence and increased anointing will enable you to prophesy with greater detail what you are seeing in *Revelation Glory*.

We all have to start somewhere, and when we start we may not be able to express the fullness of the message God wants to convey. What we say will be a blessing, however, and it will strengthen us as well as the person hearing it.

When the thing you are saying seems impossible, God will plant it as a seed in people's hearts that will take root and enlarge and develop into a great plant. Don't worry about the fulfillment. That's God's work.

Gradually, you will find yourself able to speak more specifically into peoples' lives, and with time, you will see your prophecies coming to pass. You will be amazed at what God does and how He does it.

I have been prophesying now for many years, but I am still amazed by what God says. He does it a little differently every time. He says it a little differently each time. The visions I have are a little different each time, and the way He brings forth the message is a little different each time. Prophecy is always amazing to me because I am conscious of the fact that it is so miraculous.

Just as revelation facilitates every other ministry, it can bring us into new depths of healing. In one service, I saw a vision of a person who had only a part

of his fourth finger, and I called it out, believing God for a creative miracle that would cause that finger to grow. As our faith grows, we will see this type of miracle much more.

When you move in the glory realm, nothing is impossible. If you can see it, God can do it. If you can believe Him for it, the actual doing of it is as easy for Him as giving us breath to breathe.

What a wonderful day! We have been seeing great creative miracles in the Third-World countries for many years. We felt it was because the people in those countries are poor and often feel desperation, and because their faith is very simple. Now we are beginning to see those same types of miracles right here in America. God is replacing organs that have been surgically removed, and doctors are amazed when they see new organs in their place.

Move into the realm of seeing, and nothing will be impossible to you in any area of ministry.

I find this to be a very effective way to minister. I can just say, "I see [so and so]," and I allow what I see minister to the people. To an individual, you can say, "Sister, I'm seeing in the Spirit …" or "Brother, I'm seeing in the Spirit …" That's the way I word it. You might say, "As I'm praying for you, I am seeing [thus and so] by the Spirit. This is what God is showing me." It's powerful.

Believe for *Revelation Glory,* and it will assist you in every aspect of your ministry.

Chapter 19: Revelation Glory and the Harvest

> *And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, COME OVER INTO MACEDONIA, AND HELP US. And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.*
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> Acts 16:9-10

Just as the disciples of the first century were sent into all the world to spread the Gospel in that foundational period, we are now called to go forth and reap the great harvest of the end time in all the Earth. We cannot accomplish this great task alone. The harvest requires a concerted effort on the part of many harvesters, and that effort must be directed by the Lord of the Harvest through *Revelation Glory.*

A few years ago someone said to me, "We need to form an organization and develop a computerized database of areas that are unreached so that people will know where they are most needed." If they could build a database of all the missionary activity they could learn about all over the world, they reasoned, this would eliminate overlap of efforts in some cases and lack of effort in others. If someone was already doing the work, we would know and not have to worry about that particular part of the world. And if no one was working there, that would alert us to the need.

This sounded like such a good idea to him that he went on and on about it. After a while, I said, "We already have a computer like that."

"We do?" he asked, surprised. "Where is it?"

"It's the Holy Ghost," I told him. "He has it all computerized."

God knows exactly where the need is. He knows who is ready to hear the Gospel. He knows who is waiting for salvation. All we need to do is get connected in the Spirit to His unlimited database of knowledge, and we can be lifted out of our finite understanding into His infinite understanding. We can be lifted out of our own often-flawed reasoning into His perfect reasoning. In the realm of God's glory, perfect knowledge and wisdom await us, and the harvest demands that we seek it.

Not everyone is a missionary. God is using lay people in His great harvest. There is nothing wrong, for instance, with taking a vacation and choosing a place you have been wanting to go. If God is calling you to some other place, however, it is better to let Him send you by revelation. Let Him shine a light on the very place He wants you to go.

You may see a place in the Spirit and not know where is, but you can get a map and begin to search for it. God will always show you something in the vision that will be an indication of how to locate the place He wants to send you. He will point out something that you can take hold of and run with.

One night when I was preaching in Hawaii, I prophesied over the pastor that he would be going to Japan. I saw three points on the islands of Japan. “You will be going to Tokyo,” I told him, “you will be going to Osaka, and there is another place in the north. I’m not sure if it’s Sendai or Fukuoka. When I get home, I will check the map and see what town it is.”

When we got to the place we were staying that night, we heard on the news that a typhoon had just hit Sendai. In that moment I knew that Sendai would be the third place the pastor would be going. I had no need of looking at the map further. God had just let me know that the pastor’s presence would be needed in that place and that the hearts of the people would be prepared for the Gospel through the storm.

If God wanted you to go to Japan and you knew nothing about the country, He might put a solid white flag with a bright red sun in your vision, and that would let you know that you were to go to Japan. If you didn’t know that flag, you could go to an encyclopedia and look up flags, and find it there.

The Lord might put a woman dressed in a kimono in your vision and let you see the same picture in a book or magazine about Japan. You might say, “That’s the woman I saw in my vision. Now I know I’ll be going to Japan.”

He might show women dressed as geisha girls. Their distinctive clothing is recognized around the world. If the person seeing the vision didn’t know what geishas looked like, he could describe what he was seeing, and someone else present would know: “They had long dresses, with very wide belts that came out in some special way in the back. I also noticed their shoes. They looked very strange. They had on what looked like white socks, but the toe section was divided. The actual shoe was like a sandal, but it had a strap that went up between the large toe and the next one, and that’s evidently why the toes were divided.” As they described this, surely someone present would have known that it was the footwear of the geishas in Japan.

God always puts into our visions something that will help us understand. If we don’t immediately understand it, it will at least be an identifying marker that will enable us to search out the answer. He will not leave you in the dark, but will give you some indication to let you know exactly what part of the harvest field you are to reap.

Some are content to dwell on visions of Heaven, but that is only a starting

place. We can never understand God's work on Earth if we know nothing about His throne. He wants to show us the heavens. All revelation, however, ends with the Earth, for the purpose of it is to show you the heart of the Father, and His desire is toward men.

After God shows you His throne, after He gives you a glimpse of Himself, He will turn your attention to this planet Earth and will speak to you about your neighbors, your friends, your loved ones. The revelation you receive will enable you to bless others in some way.

There has never been a time like the present in which people have been so hungry for the Gospel. The fields are ready for harvest, and we need guidance from the Lord of the Harvest for reaping them.

He is ready to give us very specific instructions, just as He did the disciples in the book of Acts. As we have seen, Peter was sent out by revelation, Paul was sent by revelation, and over and over again this theme of guidance by divine revelation was played out on the pages of the book of Acts. The men and women of the early Church knew the throne of God, and there they received specific instruction for sowing the Word of God in the Earth. This is what enabled them to make a powerful impact on their world in such a short time.

For some years now, God has been preparing us for the great harvest of the endtime. He has been speaking to us to step into new mantles, new anointings, new visitations and new glory. He has called us to new experiences, and we are learning to know things from God's perspective.

As we have seen, the Spirit is the teacher. He will reveal everything we need to know, and He will do it with clarity. He will show us things to come. We will see His revival, and we will see our place in His revival. We will see what He is about to do for us, and we will be able to move forward in the proper timing into His plan and purposes for our lives.

Some older people have already folded their tents and said, "Let the younger take my place," but God has no need of moving us aside in order for the young to have a place. There are many empty spaces, many opportunities and many areas where others can fit in, without your having to move aside. If God could raise up Sister Jashil Choi and use her so mightily, He can do the same for every one of us. She often said that her latter years were her best.

To some of those who are already folding their tents, God is saying that it is not a time to fold, but a time to raise up a greater tent. The time of the great harvest has come. Like Sister Choi, God is telling our elderly believers to forget their age, to forget every limitation in the natural and to know that their most fruitful years are still ahead. God is about to use you beyond your expectations.

Take your sickle and hurry back into the fields.

God is placing into our spirits a harvest consciousness. Jesus said:

> *Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST.*
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> John 4:35

We desperately need God to give us hearts that embrace the harvest, hands that reach out to bring in the harvest, and spirits that declare the harvest in a very special way. There may be grain ready to pick on either side of us, but if we are not aware of it, how can we reap? It might be in front of you and behind you, to the left of you and to the right of you, but if you cannot see it, what can you do to further the harvest?

The harvest is ready. Many years ago a lady approached me in a church in Australia. I could sense that she was very nervous. "My husband is in church tonight," she nearly whispered. The way she said it made me know that it was the very first time he had gone to church with her. She clearly also had the feeling that even though he was there, he wasn't really receptive to what the Spirit of God was about to say or do.

I watched as she went back to her seat and saw the man she sat down beside. It only took one glance to convince me that he was a "pushover" for the Gospel. He was "easy pickings" for God, the easiest in the whole church that night.

I was right. Before the evening was over, the man she had considered so hard was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Jesus said the grain was *"white already to harvest,"* but too often we can't see it that way. We need revelation to change the way we look at the harvest. We must see it as ripe. We must see it as ready to be picked. Souls are ready to be gathered, ready to be taken. No more struggle is needed. All we have to do is thrust in the sickle and reap.

Those who heard Jesus' words that day were like many of us. They believed in the harvest, but they were not aware that it was already *"white."* They were not aware that the harvest was ready. They imagined that much work was needed before these souls would come in. They had no idea that the people around them would be easy to reap for the Lord.

What people around us say and do often leads us to believe that they are far from ready to receive Christ. Their words and actions seem to say that they are not at all interested. The truth is that their hearts are beating fast, and their mouths are dry. They may be acting like petulant children, but underneath the show, their hearts are yearning for release.

I have learned to listen to people's hearts, not their words. In the realm of the Spirit, we can gain such insight through *Revelation Glory,* and then it becomes easy to bring in the harvest.

We are blessed to live in this present day. If the great revivalists of former generations had lived today, they would have written a different chapter to their great books. They would have written a fuller story of their lives and experiences. You and I are the privileged ones because God has brought us to this day, and He is raising us up as those who can see afar.

We are not just seeing the field that is right in front of us, but God is lifting us up and giving us an ability to see much farther. In ourselves, we are limited and can only see so far. In the glory, however, we can be lifted up into heavenly realms, and from that perspective, there is not a single nation we cannot see, not a spot on the Earth that we cannot know, not an individual or group of people that God cannot show us.

For three days each of the past few years, I have ministered at the great Fire Conference with Bishop Walsh in Wynwood, Pennsylvania. In July of 1999, *Charisma* magazine did a wonderful article on the church there and the dynamic ministry of the bishop. In a recent visit, the church was packed with priests and laypeople alike who had flown in from as far away as Japan just to be in those services.

In one service, one of the priests read the portion of scripture from Isaiah 54 that says, *"Lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes."* We had all heard it many times, but this time it was not something that we all knew. It was different. When we move from praise, to worship, to glory, suddenly the words we speak are under the unction of the Holy Spirit, and they do not convey what we already know, but something entirely new.

As he began to read those words, I saw a vision of a tent that stretched from the East Coast of America to the West Coast. I saw that the tent stretched from the northern border of America to the southern border. It was a tent of the glory of God and of revival glory, and not one place in America was left out of this great move of the Spirit of the living God.

What an acceleration there is in these days! Everywhere we go, God is just doing it in such a way that most of the time there is "standing room only." It doesn't matter how large the building is, the largest building in town is the one that God is filling in these days.

Crowds will soon come into our churches, and we need to make preparations for them. Many may be thinking that they are not using the seating they already have, so why should they prepare more? Because when the deluge comes, there

will be no time to get ready. Those who have not already prepared will be caught unawares.

God loves Washington, D.C., and when everyone else has been down on the city, He has given me a wonderful vision and shown me what He was about to do there. I'm a patriot, and I pray for our president and for our Congress. In one vision, I saw myself reaching out to embrace the Capitol, including the congressmen and senators in it. God's blessing is not just for pastors and evangelists. He wants to demonstrate His love to all men everywhere. This is the time of harvest, and this harvest will come from every corner of the nation and the world.

A friend has a ministry in Arizona. She went back home from attending one of our campmeetings, and suddenly God was sending more and more people to her meetings. She had to put in more seats. Then, she had to move into a larger place. She has been forced to move five times in the past two years to accommodate the crowds that are coming to her meetings.

When Pastor Bob Shattles began preaching his thirty-week revival in Brunswick, Georgia, the pastor was forced to move the meetings out of the church and into the gymnasium. Nearly every Friday night, that, too, was filled.

The Lord is the Chief Harvester, and you and I are only cooperating with Him in the work of reaping the harvest. It is a little like the couple cutting the wedding cake. You are never sure who it is that really puts the pressure on the knife and actually cuts the cake. They do it together. Their hands overlap. Surely one of them is exerting more pressure and is more responsible for the cutting than the other, but we never know which of them it is. It is done in unison.

Forget the struggles of the harvests of the past, and begin to see the ease of harvesting in the glory. This is a day of the revelation of the glory of the Lord. Let that glory begin to fill your soul. Let it flow. It will come in waves such as you have never known, and that flow will bring forth a new ease and a new fruitfulness.

Once, when I was coming out of China, I took Thai Airlines from Hong Kong to Bangkok and on to Tel Aviv. The plane going to Bangkok was crowded, and the stewardesses were very gracious to me, offering to put me in first class. That hasn't happened very often, and I was happy for it.

When I got to my seat in first class and looked around, I decided that people fly first class because they don't want to talk to anyone. The man across the aisle from me was obviously not approachable, and the man next to me (a Chinese businessman) wasn't either. I sat down quietly and decided that I would just enjoy a nice meal and the experience of flying first class.

After the meal, the Chinese businessman reached down and picked up a large book. I glanced at it and saw that it was a book on antique Chinese furniture. I know a little about Chinese antiques from having lived in Hong Kong, so I said, "Oh, are you interested in Chinese furniture?"

He said, "Only as an investment," and went back to his book.

I said, "Do you live in Bangkok or in Hong Kong?"

"Well," he answered, "I live in both and commute back and forth," and he went on reading.

I was trying to think of some way to get a conversation going.

"Have you ever been to the Hope of Bangkok Church in Bangkok?" I asked.

"No," he said, "I'm a Catholic."

I said, "Oh, they wouldn't mind," and I began to tell him about miracles of healing that had taken place in that church. He didn't seem to be very interested, but I acted as if he were the most interested person in the world.

I mentioned that I lived in Jerusalem, that I was serving the Lord there and that I had just come out of China.

After a little while, the man pulled out his wallet, took out some money and offered it to me. I realized that God was setting him up for a miracle.

A few moments later, he said, "I have a pain that goes through my chest all the way to my back. I've had it for two years, and I can't get rid of it. I've been to all the best specialists, but they couldn't help me. Would you pray for me?"

He really didn't mean for me to pray right then and there. He meant for me to pray somewhere and sometime, but I wasn't about to let such an opportunity slip by. There was a large arm between our two seats, but I reached over it, put my hand on his arm and began to pray quietly.

As I prayed, the man began to moan, "Oh, oh, oh." He could feel the power of God from his fingertips all the way up his arm, and was instantly healed by the power of God. Because I saw that the glory of God was on him and the anointing was on his lips, I said, "Just yield to the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is resting on your lips. Speak in that new language." In just a moment, he began speaking in other tongues, right there in the first class section of the plane.

The Lord had not elevated me to first class just for my comfort and convenience. He had a purpose, and, thank God, He revealed it to me. As we lift up our eyes and look on the field, we begin to be conscious of the purposes of God. We begin to see that nothing happens by chance. We begin to see that because our job description is "harvester," He puts us in a place where the harvest is the most ready. He doesn't sit us beside a person who is not ready to

hear what we have to say. He places us strategically beside those who are ready, and all we have to do is reach out and pick the crop. This is the hour of harvest glory, and it can only be reaped as we enter into *Revelation Glory*.

God has been blessing us with revival and getting us ready for Heaven, but now that we are ready, He wants us to make sure that others have the same privilege of knowing Him. He wants to give others the thrill of being instruments of harvest.

The Lord is using every tool known to man for the harvest. He is using television, radio and now the Internet.

When God told me to write *Glory*, He told me that He would use the book (now in its tenth printing) to bring in the last-day revival. We have done everything we could to get it into the hands of men and women all over the world. In 1999, the Lord spoke to me to put it and several others of my books on the Internet and make them available to people free of charge. We put them there in two formats, one that could be read on-line and another that could be downloaded from anywhere in the world. Before long, we were getting e-mail from people all over the world. One lady from Poland wrote, "I read your book on the website. Can we translate it into Polish?" I was excited about that, and it was indeed accomplished.

Another lady wrote, "My husband uses the computer in the daytime, but when I discovered that your books were available on the web, I stayed up every night for a week reading them. I read every one of your books."

I was blessed by that. I had made up my mind that if we never sold another copy, I wanted to stand before God with a clear conscience and hands that were clean and know that we had done everything we could to take those things He had imparted to us and make them available to the world.

I understand that there are nearly two million people using the Internet now, and I am believing God that somehow all of those people are going to find out about www.calvarycampground.org and tune in and see what God is doing in this day. These are days of harvest through *Revelation Glory*.

For those of us who are sent to the field to harvest, can we trust God enough to go down a new road with Him? Oh, yes. Can we trust Him enough to go into some uncharted waters (as far as the natural is concerned)? We can. Can we trust that the steps we take will lead us into a new dimension of spirituality? We can. I don't need to see something in written history to know that it is from God. I don't need an important person to confirm it to know that it is from Him.

On hundreds of occasions, I have traveled to distant harvest fields because of a vision or a word from God, without knowing a person in the country I was

going to. I always found the exact person God wanted me to find.

We can trust the Holy Spirit and *Revelation Glory* to enable us to reap the great harvest of the end time.

Chapter 20: Revelation Glory and the Release of Nations

> *And THE NATIONS OF THEM WHICH ARE SAVED shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.*
>
> Revelation 21:24

This is one of my favorite verses because it lets me know that there will be *"saved"* nations. That releases me to prophesy this into being and to believe God for it to happen.

The fact that entire nations will be saved is difficult for us to believe in the natural. If we were to go to any nation in the world and ask the Christians there, "Do you believe your nation could be among the saved nations?" most would lack that assurance. There is wickedness in every nation, and that makes it difficult for us to believe that entire nations, especially one that we know as well as our own, can be saved. Yet God says that there will be such nations and that they will *"walk in the light"* of the New Jerusalem.

I'm so glad that this word *nations* is plural; more than one nation will be saved.

We know that Israel will be one of the saved nations because Paul prophesied it in the Spirit. He said:

> *And so ALL ISRAEL SHALL BE SAVED: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob.*
>
> Romans 11:26

Many try to explain away these words, but they cannot be explained away. God is not talking about spiritual nations here. He is speaking of natural nations, and He said that some of them would be *"saved."* If He said it, I believe it.

We cannot conceive of how God will bring this promise to pass, but neither could anyone believe that the Berlin Wall would fall or that the Iron Curtain would come down. Still, it happened, and this promise will also be fulfilled.

There was a prophetic word in our ministry concerning the Berlin Wall falling about seven years before it actually happened. About two weeks before the Wall fell, we had a German group visiting us in Jerusalem, and we began to tell them about the word that had been given to us seven years before.

Two weeks later, our phone rang in the middle of the night one night. One of our brothers was on the line from another part of the city saying, "I'm sorry to wake you up, Sister Ruth, but the Berlin Wall has just been breached. I'm watching it on the television. People are going across in their underwear." It was cold that night in Berlin, but the German people were so excited that some of

them didn't take time to stop and dress properly. They were determined to cross over any way they could.

I didn't sleep the rest of that night. We were many miles away from Berlin, but our people were up praising the Lord and cheering the German people on as they pulled the Wall down and crossed over. The excitement of that night was felt, not only in Berlin and Jerusalem, but around the world.

In a similar fashion, the fall of the Iron Curtain and the Bamboo Curtain thrilled men and women everywhere. Many of us had an investment in the countries behind those curtains. We had been believing for the fall of those barriers because God had shown us it would happen.

It is not difficult to recall a time when no one believed that China would ever open again to the Gospel. God told me it would, and I prayed in that revelation knowledge many times for the opening to come.

Before the country opened, I often wished that some plane I was on would be hijacked and taken there (with me on it). I knew that if I could somehow get my feet onto Chinese soil I could believe for the door to open. The *Revelation Glory* I felt in my soul made me sure of it.

I remember when the very first church opened in China, and now millions of Chinese know the Lord. This same thing is happening everywhere. Very soon we will see the last of the "closed" countries open. God has declared it to be so, and before long we will see widespread revivals that change entire nations and get them ready to walk in the presence of God.

Very recently, the meeting of the heads of state of both North and South Korea and the exchange of families between those two countries have worked to open another door that has been closed for too long. Loudspeakers that have been blaring accusatory propaganda across the border between the two countries for decades have now been turned off, and train service has been restored across borders. As this book goes to press, new efforts are under way to further unite the two countries. Most recently, North and South Korean athletes marched together in the opening ceremonies of the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

The Elián Gonzalez case served to bring to the attention of all Americans and the world the need to tone down the hatred that has dominated American-Cuban relations during recent generations. In this way, it served to further open the door into Cuba. At the recent gathering of world leaders at the United Nations in New York, President Clinton shook hands with Fidel Castro — an unprecedented show of friendship between the two nations.

With the changes in these two areas of the world, soon every door will be

open. We have seen many such miracles during our lifetime, and many times the Lord told us it would happen before it became visible. Begin to believe what He has revealed to you about your country or the country He has placed on your heart, and refuse to believe what you see with your natural eye.

If you find it difficult to believe for the salvation of your nation, keep reading and meditating on Revelation 21:24. Memorize it and get it into your spirit. There will be saved nations that worship in the light of the New Jerusalem. In the light of that revelation, we need to say, "If there will be saved nations, one of them might as well be mine." Your nation may seem to be a most difficult one, but all it takes to change a nation is for a wave of God's glory to roll over it. It can happen overnight.

If you are still having difficulty believing for the salvation of your nation, take a look in the mirror and remember how difficult you were to bring to salvation. If God could save you, He can save anyone.

When I first began to go to Australia, it had the reputation of being a hard place. A church of one hundred was a good-sized church in that country. Even though Australia is a big country, there were only a few large churches there.

I prophesied many times that there would be large churches and large congregations in Australia, and most of the Australian believers thought that I was speaking out of my own spirit. How could it happen in such a difficult country? Now, however, there are hundreds of large churches in Australia, and a church of one hundred is a small church. Many churches have a thousand or more members, and some have five thousand and more.

This is just the beginning of revival. God is letting us in on the ground floor so that we can help bring in the fullness of what He desires to do. Don't write off any nation as being too difficult. Get into *Revelation Glory* and let God show you His will for the nations. Then you can speak release to them in the Spirit.

Many Christians were alarmed by the formation of the European Union, but the Union was essential so that walls could come down in many countries. In some of those countries, the only way the walls would come down was through economic motivation. They would not have come down any other way. God knows how to deal with men, and we must let Him do it in the way He can. He knows how to crack the hardest nut.

My mother used to say to my brother, "You were the hardest nut to crack." He had run from God for many years. As the youngest in the family, I was blessed to be still at home when the revival of the late 1940s came. My brother was already out in the world by that time. He wanted nothing to do with the Gospel.

He came into the faith because of a very long fast my Mother did and a second

long fast that my Dad did. Mother stayed on liquids for a hundred and eight days. Then, when she questioned the Lord about why her son had not yet been saved, the Lord said to her, “He is your husband’s son too.”

Mother could not bring herself to tell Daddy that he needed to fast, so she said to the Lord, “You will have to tell him.” Soon Daddy, too, went on a fast, and he fasted a hundred and ten days. On the ninetieth day of his fast, my brother was saved.

Because he came in through all that fasting, my brother very quickly came into a greatly anointed life. He was mightily used of God and did great exploits for the Kingdom. Many of those who knew him during his days of rebellion could hardly imagine it would happen.

Sometimes there are situations that look impossible, but we need to look back at what God has already done. If God could save my brother, “the hardest nut to crack,” He can do what we need to have done. If God could change Saul the persecutor into Paul the life-giver, we must believe God to do the impossible for us too. I am believing God for nations, and there is never a day that goes by that I don’t ask Him for them.

In my song “I Ask for the Nations,” I express my heart’s desire:

I ask for the nations.

I call them by name.

I present them to the Father in Jesus’ name.

There is never a time that I worship when God doesn’t take me from nation to nation, continent to continent, and I release my faith for the nations. God wants to give you a sensitivity for the nations of the world. Not only individuals will stand before God and be judged; nations will stand before God and be judged. He will divide them into the *sheep* nations and the *goat* nations.

We have our preconceived ideas about which nations might be the chosen of God, but we might be surprised. Revival is sweeping into Moslem nations right now, and God is revealing Himself to men of high position, as well as to the common man. I have come to believe that Moslems are some of the easiest people to win to the Lord. In some cases, governmental regulations hinder the people, but in other cases, these regulations are being swept aside. Many Moslems are coming to the Lord because Jesus is appearing to them personally.

Many are coming in because of television. Satellites are in place that reach out to the entire Arab world. People who would never have been able to attend a Christian church service are watching anointed servants of God like Benny Hinn on television, and their lives are being changed. When governments try to keep

God out in one way, He comes in through other means.

In the Arab world, there are secret believers beyond number, and the multitude of them is growing as this glory is bringing in the harvest. We must continue to sow in faith, believing for an increase. We must not think any unbelief or speak any unbelief. Speak by revelation, not by sight.

Ezekiel saw a great river, and he saw that wherever the waters of this great river would flow there would be life. No border restrictions or governmental regulation can prevent the great river of God from flowing throughout the lands. It is happening, and it is happening quickly. No authority figure can hold back the winds of God's Spirit and keep them from blowing. No regulation can control God's whirlwind or the cloud of His glory. Speak forth what you are seeing in the Spirit, and God will bring it to pass.

In Jerusalem and Israel, both Arabs and Jews are having dreams and visions, and they are coming to know the Lord. One person had a visitation in the night and was told to go next door to a neighbor. That neighbor told this person about Jesus and led him to the feet of the Master. A person on a kibbutz had a vision of Jesus and was told to go to a certain other person, who was also on the kibbutz. That person had a book that was able to tell him more about the Jesus of his vision.

What we are about to see will be truly "unbelievable" to many. God is putting an excitement into our spirits and taking out all the "ho-hum," as entire nations come to know Him. They are coming by the multitudes every day.

I remember a time when it was said that some twenty thousand a day were coming to know Jesus in Africa. That number is now more like a hundred thousand a day. For years, Africa was known as "the dark continent." It seemed impossible to evangelize. Now look what the Lord is doing. This will be repeated in nation after nation on other continents as well.

When I first went to Nepal (in the trip I described in Chapter 10), I met a man who had been jailed for nine years for baptizing a few new believers. The new believers had also been given prison sentences for bring baptized. As I said earlier, there were, at that time, only about a hundred believers in the entire Kingdom of Nepal, and now there are more than a hundred thousand born-again Christians there. God knows how to change nations.

It has been estimated that there are five hundred and twenty million Spirit-filled believers worldwide. That's not counting the millions of other believers. What a great company! God is doing just what He promised.

When the enemy makes you feel discouraged, think on what God is doing in the Earth. What He has done in other places, He will do in your town. What He

has done in other families, He will do in yours. What He has done in other situations, He will do in your own.

Once, when I was traveling across Australia, ministering along the way, I stopped in Perth, Adelaide, Elizabeth, Canberra, Melbourne and Brisbane. When I got to Perth from Hong Kong, a group of friends were there to take me to their home to have a prayer meeting and prophesy over everybody. We had a wonderful couple of hours together, and then they took me back to the airport to catch my next flight.

On the plane, I thought I had fallen asleep and was dreaming about prophesying in my sleep. In fact, for the next few days, every time I would get on a plane, I would find myself doing what I thought was falling asleep and prophesying in my sleep. I thought, "Oh, my, I'm prophesying so much on the ground that when I get up in the air, I just keep prophesying — awake or asleep."

Then it dawned on me that I could only remember the beginning of the prophecy and the end of it on each occasion. I never remembered the middle of the prophecy. Slowly, I became conscious of the fact that I was being carried away in the Spirit each time I got on a flight to some other Australian city. What was happening to me was not like falling asleep, and what I was experiencing after I was in this altered state was not like dreaming. I was conscious of the beginning of the prophecy, as my spirit was leaving my body, and of the ending, as my spirit was coming back into my body.

I was so moved by this experience that I wrote a postcard to our folks in Jerusalem. I told them that I was having a wonderful week and that I must have been carried away in the Spirit at least a hundred times that week. (I came across the postcard years later and reread its message.)

I began to wonder why this was happening to me, and when I questioned the Lord, He told me that it was because of the attitude many Australian believers had toward their country. They were convinced that aboriginal spirits hanging in the air above Australia were keeping the nation from experiencing revival. "I want you to tell them that some of the greatest experiences you have had in Me have come every time you got up into the air over Australia," the Lord told me. "I want you to preach and tell them that the heavens above Australia are open and that there are no aboriginal spirits hanging over the country holding back the revival."

The release of China is one of the most astonishing miracles of our time. When Sister Jane Lowder first came to our summer campmeeting many years ago, she had not been saved and filled with the Spirit very long. One night in the services, she had a vision in which she saw a short Chinese man with a round

face. She later described it as looking “like a happy face.” Over his head she saw a banner that simply said AGAIN.

She told me about this vision, but she didn’t know what it might mean. Then, twelve days later, she had the same vision again. This time she saw the short Chinese man open a door, and the Bible went in the door. She told me about this vision too.

The very next day Deng Xiaoping made a political comeback and became the leader of China. He had been out of office nineteen years, and none of those who were considered to be authorities on that part of the world expected that he would be returned to office.

After Deng Xiaoping returned to power in China, he opened the country to the world, and in doing so, he opened the country to the Bible. He also allowed the churches of China to reopen, and he returned to them their properties and had them restored.

Remarkably, God had given Sister Jane, who hardly knew where China was at the time, a vision that revealed all of this twelve days before the rest of the world knew anything about Deng’s return to power.

When the resurgence of Premier Deng was first declared in the West, there was only one sentence in our most important newspapers. People could hardly believe it was really happening. The one sentence was very telling and was what Jane had seen in her vision. It said that a banner, forty yards long, had gone up in Tiananmen Square saying that Deng Xiaoping had made a political comeback. This was the banner Jane had seen over the head of the short, round-faced, smily Chinese man. It had said AGAIN, because God knew the man would rise again to power.

The following day another short article appeared in the newspapers. It said that not much was known of Premier Deng because China had been closed for such a long time. It did say, however, that he was unusually short for a Chinese person and that he had a round face that looked to many “like a happy face.”

God is changing whole nations by sending waves of His glory crashing onto hostile shores. Believe Him for the release of your nation and for many others as well. See it in *Revelation Glory,* proclaim it in the Spirit, and God will bring it to pass.

Chapter 21: Revelation Glory and Finances

But my God shall supply all your need ACCORDING TO HIS RICHES IN GLORY by Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19

God is not limited in finances. He owns it all. When we get into His *Revelation Glory,* we find out just how easy it is to have all our needs supplied.

When I first went to Hong Kong as a young girl, it was a great miracle. My parents' church was still quite small, and money was hard to come by. No one from our church had ever traveled overseas, and it was not an easy decision on my parents' part to allow me to go, especially so young.

Mother considered that a good sign from God that what I was proposing was His will would be for Him to supply my first financial needs. She told me that if I could believe God for my passport fee and the required vaccinations, I could go. Well, the vaccinations cost $2.00 each, and the passport fee was $10.00. That seems like a very small amount of money now, but it was a lot for a young girl in those days. I knew, however, that God had spoken to my heart, so I began to believe Him to provide those needs.

When someone gave me enough money to get my passport, I got very excited, and when God supplied for me to get the required vaccinations, I was the happiest girl in the world. Every stage of the process of my going from that moment on proved to be miraculous, and every stage was accomplished, because I was moved by the vision God had given me. I might have been from a small church in Virginia, but if God had birthed that vision into my spirit in the glory, I knew that He would make a way.

What God was showing me from the very beginning was different from anything I had heard anyone else saying. Going to one nation was such a daunting financial undertaking in those days that I had never heard any others say that they were "called to the nations." Yet that is what God was showing me, and I clung to that call tenaciously.

God doesn't have small ideas. We're the ones with the small ideas. God doesn't have limitations. We're the ones with the limitations. God doesn't recognize any impossibilities. We're the ones with the impossibilities. When He speaks into our hearts, if we will respond, we will find ourselves doing great exploits with ease.

Most of us are a product of what we have heard and what we have seen in our lives, but it need not be so. God can speak into our spirits things we have neither heard nor seen. When He calls us, it is not to mediocrity; it is to greatness. And

He plans to pay all the bills we incur doing His will.

In the early 1970s, when the Lord sent me to the Philippines to help bring in the great revival (it has been estimated that more than twenty million Filipinos have been filled with the Spirit as a result of that revival), He gave us a plan to reach the entire country. One year later, *Time* magazine reported that one thousand priests and nuns and ten thousand laypeople had already received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

We had been working with Harold and Diane McDougal and their team in a series of public crusades, which were accompanied by live television coverage. On the final night of these crusades, God gave me a revelation of how the nation could be reached, and I stood up and prophesied it.

I was to fly out to Hong Kong and India the next day and then travel overland with other associates across the whole of Asia and the Middle East before returning to America. The McDougals and their people would be left to carry out the plan the Lord had given us. When Harold reviewed the enormity of it, he was concerned.

"This plan," he told me, "would require more money than we took in all last year. For starters, we would need $3,000 for literature and $1,000 for transportation for the teams." That was a lot of money for a small mission in the early 1970s. We were talking about mobilizing nearly a hundred people, sent out in small teams to every province in the country to witness to students and teachers and to military, political and religious leaders everywhere. It was a great undertaking.

"Well, I know God will provide it," I assured him. "If He gave us the plan, He will help you carry it out."

We were in the open-air patio behind the mission house, and within moments, Brother Jack Chappell came rushing out the door toward us. He was bouncing with joy. He had just finished a long-distance phone call with his secretary in America. He was in the process of liquidating a business he had inherited from his father so that he would not be distracted from his commitment to full-time ministry. "My secretary told me that I received a large refund on my income tax," he said. He was elated.

Then he turned to Harold. "Brother McDougal," he said, "I want to give you $4,000 toward the vision God gave us in the crusade. Put $3,000 toward the literature and $1,000 toward the transportation." He had not overheard our conversation, but God had placed it in his spirit to meet the first financial needs of the great Spiritual Fiesta outreach that was to change the Philippines forever. What a mighty God we serve!

When God gives us a plan, faith rises up in our hearts to declare a release of funds to perform that plan. Some wonder if God is obligated to pay our personal bills, but if we have made them at His direction, we need never be concerned.

We could never make such a declaration in the flesh. It is only as we see Him doing it in the Spirit that our faith rises to receive it in reality.

Speak out the revelation God has given you, and you will put something powerful into motion. We don't have to be concerned about the enormity of the last-day harvest. God has more than enough to enable us to bring it into the barns.

On Christmas night several years ago, a prophetic word was given as we were gathered in our camp celebrating. God spoke of "abundance, abundance, abundance."

Suddenly I saw a vision. One of my hands was on the West Coast of America, the other was on the East Coast of America, and with my arms I began to gather in the abundance of the land. Then I turned and began to fling the gathered riches of America out to the nations for the end-time revival. With one hand, I sent riches out to Europe, and with the other, I sent them forth to the Pacific Rim nations. I did not think for a moment that all the riches for the end-time revival would come through my hands, but I knew that there would be an abundance for all the reapers.

To some, that might have seemed like a foolish thing to do, but when a strange compulsion comes over you in the Spirit, do it. You are the Ezekiel of this day. You are the Isaiah of your locale. You are the John of your family. You are called to this day to receive *Revelation Glory* and act upon it.

Let every small thought vanish from your mind. Let every pettiness be pushed aside. Begin to see as God sees and to know as He knows, and the finances will always be there to do what you need to do.

Toward the end of 1998, God told me that He wanted us to be debt-free by the end of the year, so I began to believe for it. Not long afterward, a man came to see me one day. He had been a friend of the family for many years, and we sat and talked for a couple of hours before he got around to telling me why he had come. Then he took an envelope out of his pocket, handed it to me and said, "I want to give this to the ministry." Inside the envelope was a promissory note our camp ministry had owed him for several years. It was for $60,000, and he was cancelling the entire note. That week the Lord gave us $98,000 toward paying off our debts, and by year's end, we were totally debt-free.

We would not have known to believe for those miracles if we had not gotten into *Revelation Glory* and seen that the Lord wanted us out of debt by year's

end.

If you need a financial miracle, get the mind of God and then begin to declare it. When God says He will give you a financial turnaround, believe for it and begin to decree it. God wants money that is tied up to be freed. He wants lost wealth to be found for His children. He wants what is owed to you to be paid. He wants to give you a financial release, and when He shows it to you in dreams and visions, begin to declare it, and you will see it come to pass.

God has blessings of stock for His people. He has unexpected inheritances waiting for you. The Church needs money to operate, and God wants it to have what it needs. He wants to amaze you by the greatness of what He does in this regard. Decree it in the name of the Lord.

If we get sick, we lay hands on each other and pray for healing. What's wrong with laying hands on our pocketbooks and billfolds and checkbooks and believing God for a miracle? We do it regularly in our meetings, and God honors it.

If God wants to bless you financially, it is not just for your own good. It is for your family and your fellow believers. Pastors, your church can't be blessed until your people are blessed. Begin to believe God to get them out of debt. Encourage them to pay off their credit card bills. Teach them to pay their tithes, give an offering and then pay down their debts. This will free up large sums of money for the Kingdom harvest to come.

As you move more into *Revelation Glory,* finances will come to you more and more easily.

Chapter 22: Revelation Glory and Authority

> *And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and SEVEN EYES, WHICH ARE THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD SENT FORTH INTO ALL THE EARTH.*
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> Revelation 5:6

When a cry went forth (in the early part of this chapter) for someone to open the book, an immediate answer came. The answer was that *"the Lion of the Tribe of Judah [had] prevailed to open the book"* (verse 5). When John turned to look, however, he did not see the Lion, but rather the Lamb. That must have been a little disconcerting to him. But the fact is that any time the Lord was seen in the book of Revelation, He was seen as the Lamb. He is the Lamb of God, *"slain"* from the foundations of the world, and our authority comes from Him.

We always prefer to see the Lion, for to us the Lion represents authority. In this case, however, John saw that it was the Lamb who had authority. It was the Lamb who had the *"seven horns."* It was the Lamb who had the *"seven eyes,"* which represent the Spirit of revelation, the Spirit that was to be *"sent forth into all the earth."* It is this Spirit of revelation, coming forth from the Lamb on the throne, that gives us our authority.

It was not the Lion who had the horns. It was not the Lion who had the seven eyes. It was not the Lion who represented the revelatory realm. If we want to live in the fullness of the authority that God is bringing into the Church today, we must partake more of the Lamb nature than of the Lion nature. If we want the power that comes with authority, we must adopt the Lamb nature. We must allow the Lord to work the Lamb nature into us.

There is a great authority that comes with revelation, and without revelation we can never achieve it. Some don't want it, for with authority comes great responsibility.

Those who desire authority seek it in many different ways. Some think that authority is mostly a question of title or position. Others look to success as the label of authority. I am convinced that seeing in the heavenlies can do more for our authority than anything else. Vision gives us the authority to act. After Paul had seen the Macedonian saying, *"Come over into Macedonia and help us,"* he did not need to seek any other authority to act. His authority was his revelation from God.

When you are speaking to people, if you can see the very thoughts of their hearts and address those thoughts, your preaching will have much greater

authority. If you can see the ailments of the sick and proclaim them, your prayers for them will have much more authority. If you can see something in the Spirit and prophesy it, your words will have much greater authority.

My prayers have greater authority these days because I am praying out what God is showing me in the Spirit. When I declare financial releases because of something I am seeing in the Spirit, my declaration has great authority. Those speaking from the aspect of a fleshly need might not have the same authority.

When I declared abundance for the worldwide harvest, I was responding to what the Spirit was showing me, and I knew that what I was speaking would come to pass.

As our revelation increases, our authority also increases, and your authority will always be in proportion to your revelation. Some are satisfied to have revelations concerning the Word of God, but as we can see, we also need revelations concerning what God is doing at the moment and concerning the things He wants us to be doing at the moment.

My life has been a very exciting one because it has been a life of revelation. Very early in life, God gave me favor with men through *Revelation Glory,* and that has enabled me to minister to people all over the world. This has happened only through the quickening of the Spirit in revelation knowledge and wisdom.

When God speaks something to you, it is because He wants you to do something about it. What He has said to you then becomes your authority for acting. Your action may be either a spiritual one or a physical one, but whatever the case, your authority to act is the revelation the Lord has given you.

Pastors need to stay one step ahead of their people through revelation, and when they do, they will never lack authority. It is only when pastors see their members outstripping them spiritually that their authority comes into question.

Some would argue that faith is the most important element in authority. Faith *is* important to authority because people are drawn to men and women of faith. But when revelation comes to you, faith is released to accomplish it, and that faith stirs others to stand by your side and help you. It is your revelation that releases your faith and empowers you.

When you see something in the Spirit, you have faith to speak it into being. The minute you begin to declare and act upon the vision God has given to you, He responds to your need. This becomes your authority.

When God shows us a vision, the purpose is not just to write it down in a nice little “vision book.” That’s a good habit to get into, for it will help you remember what God has shown you. But the vision is not a toy given to you by God to put in your toy box. It is a command to act, and it is the authority to do whatever that

command reveals.

For nearly a year, as our president was under threat of impeachment and removal from office, I stood firm in prayer, believing for his acquittal. Most Christians were doing just the opposite. They were happy to see him punished for his sin. I was only acting on what God was showing me. I knew that we needed stability in our government, and I was also praying for our president as an individual. I believed that God wanted to raise him up to be another Billy Graham.

One night in the campmeeting service, I had a vision of the Capitol building in Washington. I saw myself with my hands on top of the Capitol dome, as if my hands were resting on the head of a bald man. Then I saw myself put one hand at the end of the Capitol building on the side where the Senate is located and the other hand on the side where the House of Representatives is located, and I picked up the Capitol building as if it were a cake. When I did that, a funny phrase came to mind: “It’s a piece of cake.”

From the moment I saw that vision, I knew that the president would be acquitted, and that revelation gave me greater authority in prayer and in my declarations in the days that followed.

Even if there were seven thousand others who were praying, I know that my prayer was heard. It was a prayer inspired by *Revelation Glory*. We can’t pray effectively any other way. And if we don’t feel that our prayers are important, then they’re not important. If we don’t feel that we can make a difference, then we can’t. We must feel the heart of the Father and move into the authority that revelation gives us.

I was invited to pray before the United States Congress because of the *Revelation Glory* that God is pouring into my life for America. I was invited to minister in the Pentagon because of the *Revelation Glory* that is working in my life. I have stood before kings and presidents and prophesied, and it has only happened because over the years I have developed a habit of standing in the glory and waiting before God to see what He will reveal to me by His Spirit.

In every church, pastors have a problem with disgruntled individuals who are angry because they feel that no one is giving them enough authority. The Sunday school teacher doesn’t give them enough authority, or the leader of the women’s group doesn’t give them enough authority. No one gives them enough authority, and they resent it. But we must not depend on other people for our authority. It matters little whether men recognize us or not. Our authority comes in *Revelation Glory.*

You don’t have to force you way into a situation. God will do it for you. Some

of the meekest people I know today have the greatest authority. I am thinking of men like Mahesh Chavda and Bob Shattles and others of their calibre. These men are a delight to be around. They have the "Lamb nature," and when you sit next to them, you feel the presence of Jesus. As a result, they are bringing healing to multitudes of people and raising the dead. They do it with great authority.

When I met Sister Silvania Machado from Brazil, we were unable to have a conversation except through an interpreter. She doesn't speak English, and I don't speak Portuguese. She had just come into our evening service, and she didn't have any gold dust on her face yet. But there was such a sense of the sweet presence of the Lord, the Lamb nature, about her that I began to weep. Her authority does not come from having a blustery nature. It is from the sweetness of the revelation that is upon her life. It comes from the Lamb who sits on the throne. After all, the throne is the seat of authority.

During our 2000 Winter Campmeeting, several spiritual giants were in our midst. One very prominent Christian lady came from Florida and brought a group with her.

For many years now, I have been receiving my sermon just before I get up to speak, and sometimes it doesn't come to me until I am actually standing before the people. That night, the Lord gave me this portion on the Lion and the Lamb. I didn't remember preaching it before that time.

After the meeting, we went out to lunch with our distinguished guests. During the conversation around our meal, the lady from Florida said to me, "I collect lions and lambs." It was only then that I noticed the large lion's face necklace she was wearing. Her earrings were also lions, as were other pieces of her jewelry.

In my sermon, I had said that we tend to like the Lion more than the Lamb, and she said that God had been speaking to her. She wept through the sermon because she had been one of those who were guilty of preferring the Lion nature over the Lamb nature. God is letting us know that the One who sits on the throne is the Lamb, and He is causing us to desire the "Lamb nature" more than that of the Lion. It is in *Revelation Glory* that we receive our authority from Him who sits on the throne, not through our own natural bluster.

Part IV: Revelation Glory, How Can You Get It?

Chapter 23: Free Yourself from Every Natural Weight

Let us lay aside every weight ... looking unto Jesus ... . For consider him ... lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

Hebrews 12:1-3

One of the secrets of entering into *Revelation Glory* is freeing yourself from every natural weight so that you are totally carefree and unencumbered. While it is true that our word *glory* is translated from the Hebrew word *kavod,* and refers to something that is "heavy," this heaviness is not like any natural heaviness. The weight of glory that comes upon us is about as heavy as cotton candy. The heaviness of the Spirit is light. There is no other way to describe it.

When we try to come into God's presence and there is a heaviness upon us from the activities of the day, we must cast off that heaviness and become carefree in order to experience the glory in its fullness. It's a lot like using a palate cleanser. Before eating some delicacies, you have to use something that cleanses the palate and takes every other taste out of your mouth. If you don't, you can't appreciate the delicacy you are about to eat.

We so easily get caught up in the cares of the day that we can miss the great things God wants to do for us. It is absolutely necessary to cast these cares off, to become totally and completely carefree, if we are to stand before the throne of God and experience Him in all His glory.

You will never experience the greater glory unless and until you have cleansed yourself of all heaviness brought about by *"the cares of life."* Stop worrying about the problems of yesterday, the problems of today and the problems of tomorrow. There have been many problems in the past; there are, no doubt, many problems in your life today; and there will surely be many problems you will have to face tomorrow. You, however, must learn to focus on Jesus. *"Consider Him!"*

All surface issues must be removed if the greatness God has for us is to come through. He has placed seeds of greatness within you, but if those seeds are constantly smothered with litter, they will not prosper. We must tap into God's favor, yield to it, and let that greatness come forth. It's in there. We just have to let it out.

Too often, all the things that are piled on top of us are preventing the greatness from springing forth within us. These things must be removed. We want God's light weight of glory, not the world's smothering weight.

We will feel the "heaviness" of the Spirit upon us more and more in the days to come, but it will not produce in us a heaviness of spirit. It will produce a

lightness.

There are things we can do to become carefree. Every time you go into a service, be aware of your need to cast off every burden. Plead the blood of Jesus over your mind. Tell the Lord: “I believe You to anoint me afresh. Create praise within me. Lift the cares of the day. Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Your sight this day. Allow me to have an eye single for Your glory.”

Although you might have to do this consciously the first few times, you will soon be doing it automatically. Personally, I have prayed many similar prayers, but have found that I did not have to pray them the next time around. The freedom I sought in worship then came automatically.

When I was first stepping out in worship through dancing before the Lord, for instance, I had to pray about it and consciously press in to it. Now, I have done it so many times that something automatically hits my feet, and I begin to dance without thinking about it at all.

You may not feel that you can cast off your problems so easily. Most of us think that our particular situation is unique and somehow more difficult than what other people are facing. This is not true. The devil is an equal opportunity “annoyer.” He makes sure that every individual gets his or her fair share of troubles.

Get to the place that you don’t notice the devil so much. Don’t talk about him. Talk about the excellence of the Lord.

Another of the things that sometimes prevents us from being carefree is remembering the mistakes of the past. It is not wrong to fail, but it is wrong to stay down once you have fallen. It’s not wrong to stumble, but it’s wrong to continue to do so. God wants us to drive in some spiritual stakes and then go forward. Leave the past. There’s nothing you can do to change it, so go forward into the divine purposes of God for your future.

For those who desire to enter into visions, begin by throwing all your cares to the wind. Throw them away, and start concentrating on the Lord. You might ask, “Well, what about all the answers I need to prayer?” By the time you’ve been touched by the Lord, either you will no longer have those same concerns, or God will have dropped the answers into your spirit with great ease.

Shake off every care. Freeing yourself of every weight is one of the most important things you can do to enter into *Revelation Glory.*

Chapter 24: Cultivate the Presence of the Lord

And the LORD appeared unto him [Abraham] in the plains of Mamre.

Genesis 18:1

So Esther drew near, and touched the top of the sceptre.

Esther 5:2

In thy presence is fulness of joy.

Psalm 16:11

The upright shall dwell in thy presence.

Psalm 140:13

Since the glory *is* the presence of the Lord, one of the most important secrets of entering into *Revelation Glory* is to learn to cultivate His presence. Most people think that either God is present or He's not, and nothing can change that fact. This is not true. There are things we can do to welcome His presence, and there are things we can do to cause His presence to remain with us longer.

One morning, the Lord spoke to us very clearly in our 1999 Summer Campmeeting. He showed us that He wanted to place a great rest in His people, even in the sense of our search for Him and our desire for greater spirituality. It was clearly not the time to be calling for a forty-day fast. It was not the time to be stressing travail and intercession. It was time to bask in the presence of the King.

Too many Christians who are already in the Lord's presence are still pleading for an entrée. When Queen Esther suddenly found herself in the presence of Ahasuerus, she was satisfied. His presence was her highest desire. She proposed to him a banquet, a reason to stay close to him, a reason to enjoy his presence even longer. If you will set before the Lord a banquet of your praise, you will be surprised how easily all your petitions will be answered. You will be surprised how easily you can enter into *Revelation Glory*.

If you desire the Lord's presence more, just set a banqueting table for Him. Praise Him more, worship Him more, adore Him more. This woos His presence, and it is in His presence that all your needs will be supplied.

There is a right way and a wrong way to come into the presence of the Lord. We often come with our shopping lists in hand. We pray about: "My needs, my mother's needs, my brother's needs, my sister's needs, my friend's needs, my job, my promotion, my ..." Stop flooding the Lord with requests and invite Him to a banquet. This is not a one-sided relationship. Stop demanding everything of Him, and start doing your part to maintain the relationship.

Stop demanding that the Lord give you more banquets, and start giving

banquets for *Him.* He has set many banquets before you while you were coming into your legal position in Him, and now it's your turn to entertain Him.

Abraham entertained the Lord in His tent, and from then on that tent was called by the Jewish people "the Tent of Hospitality." You need a tent just like Abraham's, a place where you can entertain the Lord and enjoy His presence. Learn to cultivate His presence, and *Revelation Glory* will come to you.

We know how to keep guests we wish would stay longer, and we know how to get rid of guests we wish would leave. If we want someone to stay, we say, "Please, would you have some more tea? Can I offer you another piece of pie?"

My father never could get his pie and his coffee to finish at the same time. He always needed a little more pie to go with his coffee or a little more coffee to go with his pie. Usually, it was because he was in the middle of telling some great faith story, and he didn't want to lose the opportunity to finish it.

One of the things I enjoyed most as a child was being alone with Daddy in the car. As we rode to the store or to some other place, he would take just as much interest in telling me those faith stories as he did others. I couldn't help but notice that he was just as anxious for me to hear about the great things he was telling as he was some famous preacher who sat with him at the dinner table. He never felt that those stories were "too great" for me. He poured them into my spirit, just as he did to everyone else.

By asking for a little more coffee to go with his pie or a little more pie to go with his coffee, Daddy was keeping the people there and keeping them quiet so that they could listen to his important message. This was the same secret Esther used as she entertained the king. That is how we enter into *Revelation Glory,* by learning to maintain the presence of the Lord with us long enough that it can happen.

Some people never say more than the necessary things to the Lord. They may greet Him in the morning and say goodnight to Him before sleeping. They may talk to Him before meals, but otherwise, they make no effort to entertain the presence of the Lord. They have never bothered to learn the secrets of keeping Him with them longer. Either they didn't know it was possible, or they didn't care.

We must sit in the Lord's presence, pouring out our love to the King of kings. When we do so, we can be assured that He will extend to us the golden scepter, as King Ahasuerus did to Esther. This meant that she could draw even nearer and that she could request anything she wanted. We have that same privilege with our King. He will let you get just as close as you desire.

We no longer need to travail before God, making the same petition to Him

over and over again. Not only is there no longer time for it, but it's not necessary. When we come into a loving relationship with our Lord, we have confidence that what we need is already "in the works," in the process of fulfillment. God's will is to meet our needs, and He has promised to do it. Bask in His presence.

These intimate moments with the Lord are times of revelation. If we are willing to spend time in His presence, there is nothing that He will withhold from us. Nothing will remain hidden from us. Cultivate the presence of the Lord, and you can have anything you need. Worship Jesus.

In the natural, we would never call a man beautiful. Jesus, however, is beautiful, and every time we say the phrase, "Lord, You're beautiful," there's a beauty that drops back upon our own souls. One measure of it goes to Him, but nine tenths of it comes back upon us.

As we continue to pour out upon the Lord in revelation knowledge the things that we sense, the things we are experiencing, the beauty we are pouring out to Him pours back on us. The perfume we're pouring out on Him falls back on us. The incense that we are giving unto Him in praise and worship blows back on us. No wonder we're receiving such unusual manifestations of God's glory these days! As we pour out glorious worship to Him, He is allowing a portion of it to fall back on us.

Go deeper into the revelation of Jesus Christ — *"God who was, God who is and God who is to come"* — and other aspects of *Revelation Glory* will come as you draw closer to the Savior.

Chapter 25: Look to See

After this I looked, and, behold ... .

Revelation 4:1

When John the Revelator experienced his great vision, it was because he *"looked,"* expecting to see. You can't see if you don't look. In the very first chapter of Revelation, in fact, John tells that he *"turned to see"*:

> *And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks.*
>
> Revelation 1:12

It was only when John *"turned to see"* that he was able to see the seven golden candlesticks. He had to make the effort.

Several other sections of John's Revelation begin with the words *"And I looked"* (6:8, 14:1, 14 and 15:5). This same phrase is used nearly a dozen times in the book of Ezekiel. He also had to look. Ezekiel goes even further by showing that not everything was immediately apparent. Some things he saw only after he was out in the depths of God's river. For instance, he had not noticed that the banks of the river were lined with trees. He only saw it when the Lord called it to his attention:

> *And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen this? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river. Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other.*
>
> Ezekiel 47:6-7

These were the same trees John saw that were *"for the healing of the nations,"* but Ezekiel hadn't even known they were there. *"Hast thou seen this?"* No, you can't see if you don't look.

The trees were there all the time. Ezekiel just hadn't seen them yet. Likewise, there is so much that we have not yet seen. A provision for the healing of the nations was there all the time, but the prophet had not noticed it. When he got into the depths of the river, his eyes were opened, and he saw what had been there all along.

There are things that you and I are incapable of believing until we get out into the depths of God's river. If we are to believe for the greater thing, we must come into a greater glory. Intellectually we know that something exists, but when we get in the glory, we suddenly find how easy it is and how real it is.

If God says that all the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea, we will not know it first by physical sight.

Glory comes by revelation, and if we know it by revelation, it will then be manifested.

The healing of the nations has begun, and we will see an acceleration of the process in the days ahead. No nation is too difficult for God. The European nations are not too difficult for Him. The Middle Eastern nations are not too difficult for Him. The Asian nations are not too difficult for Him. The African nations are not too difficult for Him. God knows how to deal with the people of this world, and no nation will remain untouched by revival in these last days.

If you have never before seen into the realm of the Spirit, believe to see. As you praise and worship, look to see. Look to see the face of the Lord. Look to see His glory. Look to see His throne. Look to see the angels round about the throne. Look to see that which He desires to reveal unto you, and don't let a day go by without looking to see. If you will do this, you will come to the place that never a day goes by without your seeing into the realm of the Spirit.

I know people who have been Christians for twenty or thirty years and have yet never seen a vision that they were aware of. Once they began to see, they could see all the time.

As I have shown, we did not see for many years because we were not taught to see. Once we knew we could, we began to believe for it, and the experience became more and more common. In the days ahead, we will receive a double portion of seeing because we know we can see, and we expect to see.

Once we move into a new dimension in God, we are never satisfied with the status quo; we want more. That delights the heart of God. He has experiences for us of which we have to take hold.

Sometimes, when I am retelling a vision I have had, I often begin to see it again. Then, suddenly, I am not telling it from memory, but by relating what I am seeing at the moment.

As you praise and worship, expect to see the Lord. See Him in all His power and glory. Then, go further. Expect to see other things as well.

Looking to see is an act of faith. Believe to see, and then look to see. Look to see what the Lord has to show you. Look to see what the Lord has to say to you. Look to see the voice that speaks with you. Turn and look into His face.

See the Lord. See Him in all His glory. See His beauty. Look into His eyes. See the glory of His countenance. See the glory that shines forth from His face. God desires us to see, and if we desire to see, we will.

Some people see very easily. As soon as they are saved and filled with the Spirit, they begin having visions. Some find it harder to move into revelation.

Often this is because they have been discouraged from doing so. Some well-meaning leaders feel that revelation is not for immature believers. But can we mature without the teaching of the Holy Spirit?

Some people who do move into visions find that they are so looked-down-upon by fellow Christians that they soon begin to neglect this gift. Some even pray for it to be taken away from them.

Many others have not moved into *Revelation Glory* simply because they have never been taught the importance of it. We don't appreciate and seek anything we don't properly value. A great many Christians fail to embrace the ministry of revelation as they should.

This is your opportunity. Move into *Revelation Glory* today, and let God transport you to the heavenly realms.

Chapter 26: Expect Your Revelation in the Assembly

> *Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD IN THE MIDST OF THE CONGREGATION.*
>
> 2 Chronicles 20:14

We need revelation for our daily lives, and we can receive it anywhere and everywhere. I have found, however, that the greatest revelations come to us when we are together worshiping the Lord in the glory.

As a child, I was blessed to sit under the ministries of great men and women of God like William Branham, Jack Coe, A.A. Allen, Kathryn Kuhlman and others. I learned much from each of them, but more than what I learned was what I experienced. Once you have been in the atmosphere of God's glory, you will never be the same again. There are things that you see and experience in the glory that you cannot receive in any other way. This is the reason I encourage people to get into good meetings anywhere they can. It is worth making an extra effort to get to a place where God is doing something unusual.

While it is true that we now have videos that we can view in our own homes, there is always something missing when we experience it that way. The impact of spiritual meetings is far more powerful when you can be there in person and can feel the flow of *Revelation Glory.*

You can watch a Benny Hinn video or watch him on television, but there is no way you can appreciate the atmosphere in which that video or that television program was recorded. You may see many wonderful things on a recording, and you may be blessed, but there is something to be said for arriving early at the crusade with anticipation and sitting there in that heavenly atmosphere until the end of the service. There is no way to describe it. It is just a wonderful experience, one which brings the flow of revelation.

I am busier now than I ever have been before, but I try to get into Pastor Benny's meetings as often as I can. It is not just that I feel some special relationship to him through having prophesied over him many years ago in Jerusalem. I also want what those meetings bring to my soul for my own spiritual welfare and for the benefit of my ministry to others. God is raising up many men and women with similar anointings, and you owe it to yourself to get into their meetings as often as you can.

The revelation of most every great thing I have seen God do through His people over the years has come forth *"in the midst of the congregation."* It may have come during a time of worship, during a time of prayer or during the altar

service, but it happened sometime while we were gathered to worship God.

This is true now more than ever. What God is doing and what He will do from now until He returns will be experienced congregationally. God is still giving His people visions and revelations. Get to some anointed altar and believe for them today.

I would say to church leaders everywhere: Make your church — your chapel, your temple, your house of worship — a place where God's Spirit can be experienced and where men and women can receive revelation from God that will change them and define them for years to come. Let your altars be places of the revelatory realm.

To individuals, I would say, spend time in some anointed place — even if no one else is there. Go into an anointed tabernacle or church and sit in the glory of God. Linger as long as you possibly can. When a place is saturated with the anointing, you will be blessed just being there. Let the glory build in your soul. Go from glory to glory to glory, until the natural begins to fall away.

Sometimes you may have to push aside some of the natural things in favor of the spiritual. Don't leave yourself much time to peruse the malls or to do other things that might distract you from your purpose. Stay in the presence of the Lord so that it can saturate your soul.

When you lie down at night to rest, lie down in the Spirit. Let yourself be carried away with it. Allow God to give you some new and wonderful experiences while you rest.

Sometimes it is better to avoid too much human contact, apart from the fellowship of the service, while you are increasing in the glory. Too many times we can laugh off or talk off the anointing with our friends.

When believers attend conferences and seminars these days, they come home with notebooks filled with notations on the interesting things they have heard and learned. I am much more concerned that people begin to allow the Spirit of revelation to work within them and quicken them. I don't mind if they go home without a single note in their notebooks, as long as they have seen the Lord's face and received revelations of the eternal world. If that happens, our meetings have been a success. When men and women learn to flow in the Holy Ghost, that knowledge will keep them anywhere they happen to be in the world.

Later, if someone who has attended our meetings happens to lose his attaché case with his sermon outline book inside, he can still minister because he has learned to flow in the Spirit.

Our worship services should be Holy Ghost workshops. We have had enough seminars. We must come together collectively and wait for the revelation of the

Holy Ghost, wait for God to show us the things He is doing in the Earth.

He is teaching us how to flow together. He's teaching us how to yield to the Spirit together. If we let Him, He will lift us collectively into the realm of heavenly song. When we know that this is His desire, we should hold back some other things that might intrude upon it.

The most common mistake made with spiritual gifts is the wrong timing of them. We want to do one thing, when God wants to do something altogether different. Defer to the Holy Spirit and hold back one thing in favor of the ascendancy, the movement from glory to glory. Let everyone be lifted together into the high places, so that we can all see together and hear together.

In the natural, we can all select the same network on our television sets and all get the same program. Is the natural greater than the spiritual? No. There will be times in the future when we will be so united in the Spirit that even without someone prophesying about the river, we will all see the same vision of the same river. People all across our congregations will be caught up in the Spirit at the same moment and will see the exact same thing we are seeing.

I have been in services in which fifty or more people have seen the same thing at the same time. Their descriptions of what they were seeing were not all the same. They varied, depending on the particular focus of the individual. Yet it was clear that everyone was seeing some aspect of the same thing.

The wonderful thing about us all seeing the same thing is that no one is left out. When someone is prophesying, for example, don't just stand there and do nothing. Jump in and flow with the prophecy. You may even see it while it is being given, just as the person giving the prophecy sees it. Get to the place that you all flow together in the service.

There is another benefit. Some people stop prophesying prematurely. They may be new to it, and they get nervous and stop in the middle of the revelation. A mature person can carry on that revelation and see it through to its conclusion.

If I were to say, for instance, "His eyes are as a flame of fire," try to close your eyes and see the rest of the vision of Jesus. Let Him show you His beauty in a unique way. See the picture, and then begin to describe it in your own words.

How does such *Revelation Glory* come to us? It's not difficult at all. We enter into God's presence by praising Him. We continue praising Him until a spirit of worship comes, and then we begin to pour out our souls in worship. Then, in the midst of your worship, suddenly the glory of the Lord is revealed. It is in the glory revealed that revelation suddenly begins to come into your spirit. Things you never perceived, things you never understood, things you never comprehended suddenly you know by the Spirit.

Our worship can be quite simple. Most of the years we were living in Jerusalem, we worshiped with the help of only a piano and a few tambourines. We had no technical abilities, but when we sat down with God on His throne, none of that mattered. God did not require it.

If using all our modern technology was a requirement for sitting with God on His throne, He would have to apologize to three fourths of the world that has no access to it, and yet the people of those countries often know God in a greater way than we Westerners do.

When we are all worshiping and a prophetic word is given, it is possible to follow along with that prophetic word by vision. Suppose that someone stands and says, "Behold, there is the throne of God … . Coming out of the throne is … . Out from under the throne, the river of God is flowing." It is possible for us all to see this as it is being spoken. We can all flow together with the same vision. If we tune in to the Spirit while someone is prophesying, we can begin to see the very thing he is prophesying, and we can follow along by vision.

In these last days, more of us will prophesy by vision and preach by vision. The Holy Spirit will be giving us a visual aid to enable us to minister to the people. Some words of knowledge will come by vision, and some miracles of healing will come by vision.

The vision is not the most important part of it. It is what God is saying through the vision. The vision is only the vehicle to bring us what God is saying. It is only a means of bringing us understanding.

I have always felt that when we praise and worship, it forms a background music for God to work. We sing, and He works. We keep on singing, and He keeps on working. While we are laughing in the Spirit, God is working.

Most people think that when we are laughing or rejoicing, we don't have much on our minds. But rejoicing is a serious matter. It provides the background music for God to work. Let it happen in the assembly. Let *Revelation Glory* come.

Chapter 27: Share Your Revelation with Others

And the LORD answered me, and said, WRITE THE VISION, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

Habakkuk 2:2

WHAT THOU SEEST, WRITE IN A BOOK, and send it ... .

Revelation 1:11

One of the secrets of moving further into *Revelation Glory* is sharing what God has shown you already. If what God has shown you has blessed you, it will also bless others, and if you will share what you have already seen, He will show you more.

You may not be called upon to write a book, as John the Revelator and Habakkuk were, but there are simpler ways to share your revealed truths.

In *Revelation Glory*, there is not only knowledge that can be written out, but there are also pictures, visions, if you will, and also sounds and smells to be shared. Even the rhythms in the glory teach us something. This can all be shared, and it should be shared.

Sometimes we don't share our revelations because we feel they are too insignificant. There may be hundreds of people in a single service having a vision or other revelation of something such as a needle and thread, but most of them will keep silent because they consider that what they are seeing could not possibly be of interest to others.

Many times, someone in one of our services will say, "Oh, I saw an angel standing on the platform."

Another person will say, " I did too."

Before it's over, we learn that ten or twelve or fifteen people have seen angels on the platform. But it took one person stepping foward to declare what he or she saw for the breadth of revelation to become known.

This is just a foretaste of what God wants to do, and we must move into it and believe for it. Believe for the visions of the Lord to come to work in your life, and learn to share them with others.

Early in our experience of sharing visions while living in Jerusalem, we noticed that not everyone sees the same thing. Even if we all watch the same television program, we will notice different aspects of it. I may notice the dress the lady is wearing, but you may notice the man's suit. Someone else may not focus on either of them, but may notice what toy the child is playing with. One person may be drawn to a bouquet of flowers in the room, while another may focus on an animal there. Although we are each seeing the same picture, each of

us focuses on a different part of the picture. The same can be true in revelation.

From what we say about the vision, it may or may not be evident that we are all seeing the same thing. Each of us will choose something to emphasize, something that most catches our attention or that most speaks to us personally.

One day we were sharing a vision about the river of God. One person said, “But just at that moment, the river seemed to stop.”

Someone else spoke up and said, “No. No. The river didn’t stop. It went over the waterfall.”

Another said, “Yes. I also saw the waterfall. The water flowed over the waterfall and then it continued onward.”

Each person gave a little different aspect or portion of the vision, and each part enhanced our overall understanding of the whole. For one person, the vision had actually seemed to stop, but others saw the continuation of it.

When we look at a tree, what do we see? One person focuses on the root system. Another sees the fruit. Another notices how strong the trunk is. Another sees how far the branches go over the walls. Although we each notice something different, we’re all looking at the very same tree. When we look, we see, but we don’t all see the exact same thing.

Visions are not like slides. With slides, you put the picture up on the screen and you can leave it there as long as you want. You can examine it for a few seconds, or five minutes or much longer if you want. Visions are more like movies. The images pass by quickly, and you have to catch them while they are moving. It is possible to ask God to let you see them again, but generally they are of short duration, and you can’t stop them so that you can study what you are seeing.

This is the reason that there are certain images that stick with you more than others. In discussing it, you may find that others have seen something you totally missed, and upon review, you will see that they were right.

It is good to have a friend you can talk to about your vision. While you are sharing it, you yourself will gain a fuller understanding of what you have seen or felt or experienced.

Many pastors are guilty of not appreciating those who have visions. Sometimes they even refer to them as “flakes.” A person who is visionary can go off on a wrong tangent, but so can anyone else. It is possible to misread a road map and take a wrong turn. Every one of us has done it.

Even when you have a map, and your friends have told you how to go, you can miss one of the signs you were to look for and fail to turn at the right time.

Anyone who has traveled into new territory has taken a wrong turn at some point in life, but that's not the end of the world. It is easy to ask help from someone and get yourself turned around and on the right road. You may lose a little time, but ultimately you will get to your intended destination.

We are much too harsh and judgmental of those who want to follow the leading of the Spirit. We must give them an opportunity to make a few mistakes. Give them an opportunity to get lost and have to knock on a few doors. Give them an opportunity to have to call and find out the directions all over again.

In the meantime, they will learn how to follow the Holy Spirit. They will learn how to detect what the Spirit is saying, and they will learn to trust the Holy Spirit.

Many pastors err when they say, "You'd better be careful; you'd better be careful; you'd better be careful." By the third time they say it, everyone's a nervous wreck. They should be saying "You can trust the Holy Spirit; you can trust the Holy Spirit; you can trust the Holy Spirit." That would encourage their people to move into *Revelation Glory.*

Often, when we are sharing visions at the end of a service, I encourage people to express their visions more fully. I certainly don't want to put words in their mouths, and I don't want to influence their thinking. But I am willing to ask them simple questions in an effort to pull out of them any other helpful details they may have missed. This blesses me, and it blesses them.

I might ask, for instance: "What did you feel when you saw that?" "What other kind of sense came to you?" "Was there anyone else in the room with you?" If someone had asked me questions like that when I had that simple vision of the Chinese, maybe I would have remembered much more. Maybe there were details that I missed because I never thought about them. If someone had asked me at the time, "What were they wearing?" "What did they look like?" "What was the room like?" I may have been able to say much more about my vision. As it was, no one thought to ask more, so I didn't get any more out of it. If someone had drawn me out soon after I saw the vision, I might have garnered much more information from it. That's why we must draw each other out when we have these revelations.

It is quite common for a person to focus on particular aspects of his vision and neglect others. When we question him further, he often remembers much more. In the emotion of the moment, for instance, it is easy to forget hearing a sound or to forget where that sound came from. Asking questions may produce an unfolding of the vision and its fuller meaning.

There are other reasons that the declaration of the vision is important. Many

people say to me, “I had a vision, but I don’t understand it.”

I reply, “Tell me what you saw.”

As they begin to tell their vision, the understanding of it begins to unfold. The understanding is somehow released in the telling. Sometimes, by the time they have finished telling the vision that took only seconds to see, they have enough for a full sermon or a chapter of a book.

Many times people in our meetings have visions of golden slippers. Why is that? I have come to believe that these are slippers that are used in the courts of the Lord. We cannot go into the courts of the Lord with clunky shoes or combat boots. We will wear golden slippers.

If you cannot remember the details of your vision, don’t worry about it. Sometimes the details of a vision are not as important as the knowing you receive by looking. We can sometimes become too involved in all the details, when, in reality, God wants us to savor the moment. There are times that God wants us to be able to describe what we see and hear in the heavenly realm, but there are also times when we just must not spend time analyzing what we have seen.

Is your revelation important enough to share? When it comes down to it, everything that God shows us is part of the revelation of Jesus Christ. That revelatory flow is coming out of Him into us. We can rest in it, flow with it, yield to it and reproduce it. This is *Revelation Glory.*

Several of my close associates and I enjoy getting together every night and discussing what has happened in the service. We discuss what God was saying and what God was doing. We never just leave the service and forget about it. We want to look into the deeper things of which God was speaking.

We ask each other, “Did you have a vision while that was being said?” “Did you get a little further understanding?” It is the composite aspect of the revelation that comes forth in a service and belongs to the Body of Christ.

Our visions are usually quite simple, but they have a purpose. When I was ministering in France, for instance, a brother came to me during one of the breaks and told me about a vision he had had. In the vision, he saw a polar bear. The ice had melted enough that the polar bear was able to go into the water. He also saw birds and other animals.

As I prayed about this vision, I realized that polar bears live in very cold places. These are not just places which experience winter. They experience a long and hard winter. It doesn’t just snow in these places. Everything is frozen solid for long periods of time. In the areas where polar bears live, it is possible to walk on the ice covering the surface of the water and even to drive a car across it

or build a house on it.

Through this vision, the Lord was saying that in places where there had been a long spiritual winter, where conditions were continually frozen (the kinds of places polar bears love), spring had suddenly come. The thick, deep ice had melted enough that the polar bear could jump into the water. Birds flying about was another indication that spring had come. Spring is the time of the singing of the birds.

God gives us just enough in our visions for us to have understanding. He wanted this man to know that in the most difficult spiritual situations (there is no place more barren and harsh than the places polar bears live) spring has come. The ice has melted. The waters are flowing, and they are being warmed. It's a new day. The river is here. Thank God for *Revelation Glory*.

Chapter 28: Obey Your Revelation

I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.

Acts 26:19

If you will obey the revelation God has given you, He will give you more. If you appreciate what God has already done, He will continue to work for you. Learn to obey your revelations, and you will have many more revelations.

Sometimes what we see in a vision doesn't seem to make sense to us, and we are hesitant to tell it to others, much less take action based on it. We must learn to have confidence in the Holy Spirit. What He is showing us will surely be understood by those we share it with, and obedience will produce movement.

In one of our 1999 Summer Campmeeting services, for instance, Sister Jane Lowder was in charge of the worship service, and she asked me if I would wave a banner. It was just a cloth we had been using to cover those who had fallen in the Spirit, but she had seen me waving it in a vision. We had several different colors of cloth, but she asked me to use a golden cloth, because it was the color of the harvest. It was a small thing, and I was happy to comply. However, when I began waving that cloth over the people, God did many miracles for those who were present. If we are willing to do the simple things God shows us, then He will take care of the more difficult things.

Jesus also moved by revelation. He said that He did nothing but what the Father showed Him (see John 5:19). Did that mean that He saw the Father mixing up the mud with a little spittle so that the blind man could be healed? He must have. He must have seen it in the realm of the Spirit and was simply following those heavenly instructions.

The piece of cloth I waved that day probably cost less than a dollar. We buy it on sale. It wasn't even a very attractive piece of cloth. The stitching in it was not perfect. It was not the cloth that was important, however. It was what God wanted to do for the people that was important. All I had to do was initiate the movement, and God did the rest.

With every movement, there is something that initiates that movement. The Spirit of God is always the Initiator, but you and I must respond to the Spirit. Our actions will initiate further movement. Obedience to some simple instruction unleashes the power to perform the needed miracle.

We first initiate the movement with praise and worship, and that touches the heart of God. Then, when the Spirit of God begins to flow, we must respond, and He will do a work in our lives in a different capacity than we have ever experienced before. The cloth I waved that day was very common, but in the

waving of it, great glory was released.

You may be saying, “Lord, show me what You want me to do,” but if you will start responding, the beginning of the revelation will come. It may not be a fullness of revelation at first, but your movement will produce further movement.

Literally thousands of Christians say, “I am waiting for the full revelation.” Some of them are very comfortable in their rocking chairs. They are just waiting. They have been in those rocking chairs a very long time. It is time to get up and start moving. Act on that which you already know. Start moving out in that which you already perceive. Move out in that which you understand.

Suddenly, it will feel like you are on a two-seated bicycle and somebody else is doing the pedaling. You will look to see who is helping you move forward, and you will find that God is doing all the work for you.

Many Christians continue to say, “If we could only have lived in the time of the early disciples of Jesus.” I believe that if we will obey God, we can have the same miracles the disciples enjoyed. In fact, I believe that we have an advantage over those disciples. For one thing, they were at the beginning, and the Church was just taking form. We are at the ending, the culmination, and God’s Kingdom is approaching its pinnacle. The end will not be less than the beginning.

God has always saved the best wine for last. Although the wine of Pentecost was glorious, if the disciples were alive today to taste of the new wine we are receiving, they would surely say, “This wine is far better than that which we had on the Day of Pentecost.”

How is this possible? It is because we are living closer to the day when everything will be released. All the stops are being pulled out, and the end-time harvest will be greater than anything those who lived in the time of Christ knew. Obey your revelations, and you will know that it is true.

Stop looking at the negative side of everything, and start believing God for His goodness to prevail. The summer of 1999 was a disaster for many farmers. The drought affected a wide area of America. What proved to be detrimental to the business of many, however, actually had a very positive effect on the wine industry. Hot weather produces the finest grapes, and 1999 was expected to be a year long remembered for its fine wines, perhaps the best ever.

When we are feeling some heat in the Spirit, it may be because God is doing a very special work in our spirits. Heat in your spiritual life will produce a bumper crop and a banner year in the new wine of the Spirit. As we move on into the new century, expect to experience a greater release of the glory of God than ever before. Stop expecting disaster.

Many have had a very dismal attitude about the end times. As we move closer to the coming of the Lord, things are only expected to get worse and worse. That may indeed be true for the world, but for us, things will get better and better. We have nothing to fear. God is moving by His Spirit, and if we will move with Him, we will have victory.

Let the Lord change your thinking. Refuse to be negative. God is never negative. When you think of end times, think of greater glory, not tragedy. Think about moving from glory to glory.

Refuse to get bogged down with all the negative aspects of the end times. Get in the moving mood. Join yourself to the moving chariot, as Philip did.

When Philip joined himself to the chariot of the Ethiopian, he began to speak to him of eternal things. Philip's positive spirit brought them both into the glory, and before long the Ethiopian wanted to be baptized. His life had been changed by the positive anointing on Philip's life.

God is doing amazing creative miracles, and this should show us that it is not a time to "slack off." If the chariot is moving, get on board.

The best way to get onto a moving vehicle is to start moving yourself before you try to board. Pick up your pace until you are jogging beside the vehicle. Then, if necessary, break into a run. Get on the move. Then it will be easy for you to get on board.

Get your feet moving. Start jogging in place. Get your feet dancing before the Lord. You may not see any benefit at all to such movement if you are only looking at the movement of your feet. See in the Spirit that your movement has started other things moving. Your movement has forced obstacles out of the way. Your movement has started something happening.

When you stretch out your hand, something moves in the heavenlies, and there is a release of miracles and signs and wonders. Get in the moving mode and start moving forward, and you will be surprised what God does. That simple action initiates something wonderful.

Many find this concept of simple obedience "too simplistic." I guess they want things to be more complicated. But if God is causing your faith to be stirred up, it will flow in the future with great simplicity.

Some don't like the idea of becoming childlike again, but Jesus said we had to:

> *Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.*
>
> Matthew 18:3

Children are free of malice. They are free of prejudice. They are free of doubt. This causes them to be quick to obey.

When Abraham's servant Eliezar was sent to find a suitable bride for Isaac, he had a wonderful experience. He said:

> *Blessed be the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I BEING IN THE WAY, THE LORD LED ME to the house of my master's brethren.*
>
> Genesis 24:27

It was when he got moving and was "*in the way*" that the Lord gave him specific guidance. Many want to wait until they understand everything before they get started. Begin to obey, and the rest of the revelation will come.

When Jesus spoke to the woman with the issue of blood who had touched the hem of His garment, He said:

> *Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; GO in peace, and BE WHOLE of thy plague.*
>
> Mark 5:34

It is very probable that her healing was not complete and that it was in the going that she would be made "*whole.*"

Everything has to begin somewhere, and we must not despise the day of small beginnings. When you begin to see signs and wonders, however small they seem to be at the time, know that God has much more in store for you. Obey Him in the small things, and greater things will come. Gradually you will move on up into higher realms of glory.

God has things for us that we have not yet heard of. No one has ever told us about these signs. We have not yet considered them. They will be demonstrated in our lives, poured out upon us, as we learn to follow the Lord in obedience.

This is a season of the glory of God, and it is a fruitful season, a season of harvest, a season of gathering, a season of revelation, a season of understanding, a season of insight, a season of the Lord. All of this is initiated by simple acts of obedience.

At our 1999 Spring Men's Convention, the brother leading the song service one night began to sing a phrase, "Worthy, You are worthy." It was a "worthy" that had movement in it. Usually worthy doesn't have very much movement — maybe a bowing down, but not much else. He had such movement that he encouraged the other men, and they all got up and began to dance and march around the building.

When this had gone on for a while, one brother suggested that they go around

seven times. He gathered several men who had brought their shofarim, and they blew them as the men marched around and sang “Worthy.” By the time they had gone around a few more times, it was evident that there would be no preaching that night. For the next four hours those men danced and marched around the building as they sang, “Worthy, You are worthy.”

There is something about movement that begets further movement. As God is releasing His glory upon us, it spawns a movement within us, and that, in turn, causes a movement without. Something begins to turn inside, and that starts other wheels turning on the outside. Suddenly we shake off all lethargy and complacency, and we rise up to follow the further movements of the Holy Spirit. It all begins in a simple act of obedience.

We once sent one of the young brothers who was working with us in Jerusalem to South Africa. It was a very big thing for him to make it as far as Jerusalem, and to be able to get as far as South Africa was quite unbelievable. He was rather nervous when he was given the opportunity to address a gathering of thousands of Zulus. As he stood before them, his limitations began to dawn on him, and he prayed nervously, “Lord, what shall I do now?”

The Lord said, “Raise your right hand.” When he raised his right hand, all the people “fell out” under the power of God ... all, that is, except the bishop.

The bishop was scowling, and the young man prayed again, “Lord, what shall I do now?”

The Lord said, “Raise your left hand,” and when he raised his left hand, the bishop went down too. It wasn’t a great sermon that did the work. It was being sensitive to the Spirit and knowing how to respond to His leading.

The flow of God’s glory in our midst today demands total dependence on the Holy Spirit. How do we get that touch of Spirit and that flow of the Spirit and that consciousness of the Spirit? While we are praising and worshiping, we suddenly begin to be moved from the familiar into the new. God begins to reveal to us something we have never done before, something we have never said before, something we have never heard before, and He is urging us to do it. It might be something as silly as taking your shoe off and throwing it up in the air three times, but that might bring the needed release. There are many excellent biblical examples:

> *And he said to the king of Israel, Put thine hand upon the bow. And he put his hand upon it: and Elisha put his hands upon the king’s hands.*
> *And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened it.*
> *Then Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot.*
> *And he said, The arrow of the* LORD’S *deliverance, and the arrow of*

deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed them.
And he said, Take the arrows. And he took them.
And he said unto the king of Israel, Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice, and stayed.
And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed it: whereas now thou shalt smite Syria but thrice.

2 Kings 13:16-19

Elisha was at the height of his ministry, and he would soon go home to be with God. He prevailed upon the king to act out this prophetic symbolism. His message could not have been more simple: "Open the window." "Get your bow." "Put it in your hand." "Now shoot." With those simple words, Elisha had prophesied victory over the Syrians. It was a prophetic act, and the detail of it came through revelation. God wants to get us to that open window — the place of opportunity. He wants to get a weapon in our hands, and then He wants us to act prophetically. When we do, He will do the rest.

The king did not fully obey. He only smote the ground with the arrow three times and was rebuked by the prophet. Sometimes, in the midst of our smiting, we begin to feel foolish, and we let what people think or say disturb us and cause us to stop what we are doing. The enemy says to us, "Just what are you accomplishing anyway?"

If the king had done it five times, Elisha told him, he would have had complete deliverance. As it was, his victory was partial.

You need to sing that chorus one more time. You need to march around Jericho one more time. You need to do whatever it is the Lord is showing you. Don't stop short in the midst of your prophetic act.

Elisha, nearing the moment of his death, was not thinking about himself. He was thinking of total deliverance for Israel, and that's what God wants to do with each of us. When you worship God, He wants to show you something that is not just for you. It's for your nation. It's for the world. It is part of the fulfillment of the prayer, "Thy Kingdom come." Once you begin to see it, give an extra shout for complete victory. Dance an extra dance for complete victory. Laugh an extra laugh for complete victory.

Prophetic acts are more powerful than we can imagine. Your dance is more powerful than anyone can comprehend. Your uplifted hand is more powerful than you can perceive. Waving your hand before the Lord can be more powerful than anyone might think. Strike the ground boldly for the complete victory in the

Lord.

When others do not understand you when you perform some prophetic act, don't take it personally. If they make fun of you, don't pay any attention. They don't know any better. If they knew that you were undergirding the economy of your country and keeping the wolf from the door, they would want you to do it twice as much. If they knew that the blessing you are praying in is overflowing and becoming a blessing to their own homes and families as well, they would want you to keep shooting the arrows and smiting the ground with all your might.

Don't worry about the lack of understanding on the part of others. You have prophetic authority to do what God has revealed to you, and you will find that, as you do it, His glory will be released beyond anything you have ever known before.

You may be the most unlikely person to be used of God, but if you learn simple obedience, you will quickly bypass others. After the apostle Paul had a personal encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus, he declared that he was an apostle *"born out of due time [season]."*

> *And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one BORN OUT OF DUE TIME. For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.*
>
> 1 Corinthians 15:8-10

Although Paul considered himself to be *"the least of the apostles," "not meet [worthy] to be called an apostle"* and *"born out of due time,"* he was the one God used. Matthias, whom the disciples had chosen as the most logical person to replace Judas, was never mentioned again in the Bible. Paul excelled because of his willingness to obey God in simplicity. God has an answer for everything, and He will reveal it to us by His Spirit — when we are willing to do what He shows us. Obey your revelation, and God will give you more.

Chapter 29: Let Yourself Be Carried Away in Revelation Glory

> *The hand of the LORD was upon me, and CARRIED ME OUT IN THE SPIRIT of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones.*
>
> Ezekiel 37:1

There is an experience in God in which we are actually carried away in the Spirit and have amazing and wonderful experiences.

Once, when I was still living at my mother's house, I came in from the campmeeting and stretched out on the bed to sleep. Suddenly it seemed that I was sitting in a chair, and the chair was moving. I was taken to Holland.

When I woke up, I thought what a nice dream I had had about Holland. It almost seemed real. As I spoke of it to several people throughout the day, I came to realize that it had been much more than a dream. I had actually been carried away to Holland in the realm of the Spirit and was able to minister there.

Another time, when I was on a long fast, my associate and I were staying in a little hotel in Bombay, India. We were talking, and I felt that I was drifting off to sleep and drifting in and out of conversation. Then I went into what seemed like a deep sleep. When I woke up, thinking that I had dozed off for a few minutes, I said, "Oh, I'm sorry that I'm so sleepy. I must have drifted off for a minute."

She said, "Oh, no. It wasn't just a few minutes. I saw when your spirit was carried away, and I've been watching for it to return. It's been several hours now."

Once, when I got back to the campground in Virginia after traveling to Australia for ministry, some of the people attending the campmeeting began to tell me some very strange things. One lady owned her own barbershop. She said, "Sister Ruth, I was in my barbershop last week, when suddenly your spirit came into my shop. You began to prophesy to me, and my life has been turned upside down as a result of it."

I had never heard of such a thing, and I hardly knew what to say to her at the time. "Well," I ventured, "God is doing new things," but I was perplexed.

Over the next few weeks, people from many parts of America came to the campmeeting, and a number of them told me something quite similar. "I was in my bed at night," one said, "and suddenly you came and began to prophesy to me." "I was [this place or that place], and you came and began to prophesy to me." The stories were all similar.

I wasn't quite sure just what God was doing. It appeared that I was more

yielded to Him while I was sleeping than when I was awake and that God was causing me to do exploits for Him as I slept. While we sleep, there is no resistance to the flow of the Spirit of God, and He can carry us away more easily.

My brother was seven years older than me. We were raised to be very careful what we said about the Holy Spirit. If we didn't understand what the Spirit was doing, we were taught not to comment — even if something seemed bizarre. We learned that we didn't need to be an authority on everything, and we saw how easy it was for people to be critical when they didn't understand what God was doing.

I told my brother about the people who were coming up to me and saying these things. He didn't say anything, but he looked at me strangely and raised an eyebrow, as older brothers do. He was accustomed to his little sister doing strange things, but this was more than he could comprehend at the moment.

He usually never left town during campmeeting, but that year he had to fly to Atlanta, Georgia, for a day or two. The day before he was to return, a brother came to me and said, "Sister Ruth, a young girl who was washing pots and pans in the kitchen is having some amazing experiences, and I asked her to come and talk to you about them."

When Sue came, she told me two stories. One of them went like this: One night she was on the platform with other camp staff members. Everyone was singing in the Spirit, and the Holy Spirit said to her, "Yield to Me."

She said, "But Lord, I thought I was already yielding to You."

The Holy Spirit said, "Yield a little more."

She told me: "Suddenly, as I yielded a little more, something strange happened. I knew that I was standing on the camp platform, but suddenly I found myself in a large building. I didn't know what it was. I have never been to a monastery, but I have heard you talk about them, and I think that's what it was. Anyway, I found myself in front of a line of young men who were about seventeen or eighteen years old, and the Holy Spirit said to me, 'I want you to bless them.'

"I went to each one of the young men and said, 'I bless you in the name of the Lord. I bless you in the name of the Lord.'

"When I reached the end of the line and said it over the last of the young men, I immediately found myself back on the platform in Ashland. The rest of that evening all I could do was to go to people and say, 'I bless you in the name of the Lord; I bless you in the name of the Lord.' "

When she told me that story I knew immediately that she had been carried

away to Jerusalem. When we had first gone to Jerusalem, we traveled and reached out to Catholic churches in the area and introduced the baptism of the Holy Spirit to priests and nuns and other leaders in the church. Many of them were baptized in the Holy Spirit at that time. When we went back to Jerusalem later, after having been away for a year or so, we found that a wonderful Catholic Charismatic group was meeting at Ecce Homo, the Sisters of Zion, every week on Tuesday night. Because of that, we didn't feel that we needed to go back to the Catholics, so we started going to the Orthodox Christian churches instead.

There was one particular group to which we had been believing God for an entrée, and about a week after Sue told me this amazing story, I got a note from one of my associates in Jerusalem, Sister Janet Saunders. She wrote: "Sister Ruth, you know that Orthodox group we have been trying to get into, the young acolytes (they were young deacons in training for the priesthood)? Well, the Lord has opened the door!"

I knew the reason the door had opened was what Sue had done that night on the platform as she had yielded more to the Holy Spirit and had been carried away. She had laid hands on each of the young men and blessed them in the name of the Lord. As a result, God had given us a further open door there.

I firmly believe that every door that is opened in the natural realm is first opened by someone who has learned to "yield a little more" to the Spirit. We usually hear the story of the person who got the door opened in the natural, but only Heaven can know the full story. That victory was likely brought into being by a man or woman who allowed himself or herself to be carried away in the Spirit in *Revelation Glory.*

For several years now, some of us have been experiencing what many are calling being "stuck in place." We seem to be pinned to the floor for long periods of time or stopped in mid-stride and are unable to continue moving forward. When this happens, our bodies cannot move from that particular spot, but our spirits are able to take flight. We can do exploits in the realm of the Spirit in this way. People who observe us during such a time of being "stuck in place" might think we are just in limbo, but God knows the truth of the matter.

Sue's second experience was just as startling. She told me, "That next afternoon in the service, many people came to the altar, and those of us on the platform went down to pray for them. I was feeling sorry for myself and wishing that somebody would bless me. Then I felt someone beside me laying his hands on my head to pray, and I said, 'Lord, who is it?'

"The Lord answered, 'It's the man of God.'

“I didn’t understand that expression, so I asked the Lord again, ‘Who is this laying his hands on me and blessing me?’

“The Lord said, ‘It’s Brother Heflin, the man of God.’ ”

My brother came back from Atlanta the day after she told me this story, and as soon as I had time to speak with him, I told him what had been said. First, I told the story of Sue being carried away to Jerusalem. When I told him the second story, the one about the man of God praying for her, tears came to his eyes and began to roll down his cheeks. He said, “Ruth, I know the very moment it happened. I have had those experiences thousands of times, but I never knew it until you explained what it was. It happened to me just like you said you experienced it on the plane in Australia. I was sitting in a place of business, waiting for my appointment, and suddenly my head fell to the side. When I came to and looked at my watch, it would have been the altar time here at camp. Apparently, this same thing has happened to me again and again, and I didn’t know it until now.”

Many of us, no doubt, have had similar experiences and didn’t know what was happening to us. We will see this more in the future — if we are willing to yield more to the Spirit of God. What seems like a vision may be more than a vision. As we are carried away into *Revelation Glory*, God may be using us to accomplish His work.

Is it scriptural to be carried away like this? Absolutely. It happened to Ezekiel. He wasn’t only seeing a vision. He was literally carried away, and he saw the valley and the bones with his physical eyes.

For several years we had a prayer meeting in Bethlehem every weekend. One particular day, we had all been on the floor under the power of God, and we began to share visions and revelations. One of our young ladies said, “I just came back from a foreign country.”

We had never heard her say that before, but we could sense that what she was saying was very real to her.

She began to describe the place. “There was a lake and a tall mountain,” and she described the mountain. “There in front of the lake,” she continued, “was a little house, and there was a lady standing in front of the house waiting for me to come. I could understand what she was saying, even though she was speaking some other language. She took me inside to pray for her son, who was ill and dying.

“After I had prayed, God raised her son up, and she said to me, ‘You must come back again.’

“I said, ‘But I don’t even know where I am.’

“Then the lady said, ‘You are in Pokhara.’ ”

I may have been the only one in the room that day who knew where Pokhara was. I had spent time in Nepal and knew exactly where the mountain and the lake she was describing were located. I had been there in the flesh, but she had the privilege of going there in the Spirit.

You may never be able to travel to foreign lands, but God can lift you up and carry you away in the Spirit to distant places. In the Spirit, you can stand in places you may never stand in physically — because of closed doors or a lack of accessibility. In God, there are no closed doors. In Him, there are no questions of accessibility.

Let yourself be carried away in the Spirit into a realm of knowledge and wisdom and experiences that you have never known. Be carried before the very throne of God. Be carried away into a place of ministry. Be carried away to see angelic hosts and enjoy the eternal pleasures for a season.

We look up into the sky and see the beautiful Milky Way, but in the Spirit we can be carried away up those golden pathways into the very throne of God, where we will have experiences that will transform our lives forever. Move on into *Revelation Glory,* and you, too, will know the place of divine knowing through the Spirit.

One night in our meetings, God said to us that He would take us to places we could never go in the natural. The only place I could think of immediately that I could not go to was Mecca. I could not go to Mecca, first, because I was not a Moslem, and no non-Moslem is permitted in Mecca. Second, I could not go to Mecca because I was a woman, and women are not permitted in Mecca either.

Suddenly, in a moment’s time, I was carried away, and I saw that great black rock of Mecca from an angle I had never seen photographed before. I was looking down upon it, and I knew how easy it was to put my feet on the soil of Mecca and possess it in the name of the Lord in a dimension and a realm that perhaps nobody thought was possible.

Refuse to be ordinary! God has called us to be extraordinary, and He is calling us to be lifted up into realms of glory, not just to be touched by the blessing of God, but He wants us to be lifted up so that in those moments of lifting up, we will have a faith released into our spirit to do exploits in the name of the Lord.

I don’t know of anything that could be finer than to possess Mecca for the Kingdom. When the Lord speaks, He wants immediate response, and when we yield to the Holy Spirit, He will show us the area of the harvest He is concerned about at that moment. God is giving us a great harvest among the Moslems of Africa. He is putting His people on radio and television and causing their voices

to be heard.

If you insist on being always the same, you will miss the great things God is about to do. He is ready to enlarge your faith, enlarge your seeing and enlarge your ability to possess. His desire is to enlarge you in ways that you never thought possible and to let you stand in a spiritual dimension you have never considered before. Your hand will be used of God to reap a harvest. Let yourself be carried away in *Revelation Glory* and dare to do great exploits for God!

Chapter 30: Contend for the Ease the Spirit Brings

> *There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest.*
>
> Hebrews 4:9-11

One of the things we must do in relationship to *Revelation Glory* is to seriously contend for the ease the Spirit brings. This sounds paradoxical — to contend for something that, in the end, is easy. But that's just the way it works. God doesn't want us to have to struggle for every bit of information we receive from Him, any more than we must struggle. If we have to fast and pray for forty days to hear God's voice, we won't be able to accomplish much in the days ahead.

So many Christians are worn out because their lives are a constant struggle. They fight one battle after another. It is time for us to rest in the Spirit. Why are we still trying to force our way into Heaven through our works? Why are we still trying to "make" something happen? This is not a time for struggle. This is a time to lay hold of the promises of God and to cease from our own labors. As the writer of Hebrews declared, there is a realm into which we labor to enter, but after we enter that realm, we no longer labor. In that place of glory, we find rest and the ease the Spirit brings.

As I said, this seems rather paradoxical. We labor to enter a place where no more labor will be required of us. We strive to come into a place where no more strife will be required. We do this by pushing back the realm we know and coming into the realm that God knows, the realm of the Spirit and *Revelation Glory.*

"Why is it that I cannot feel a burden to pray for these important things?" some people ask me. It is because God has placed within your heart the knowledge that you are already victorious in those areas. There is no need to be burdened further in that area. Rest in the revelation knowledge that everything is taken care of.

There are always people around trying to stir us up to labor when we've already graduated from that class. We have moved on to a place of rest, and we no longer need to struggle. This is not a time for struggle. This is a time for entering into a possessing.

I believe in intercession, but I can't understand why some are trying to make intercession the greatest thing that could ever happen to a person; we have a high priest who makes intercession for us:

But this man ... ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Hebrews 7:24-25

I can rest assured that if I'm not interceding, He is. I can say the "amen" to that for which He is interceding and believing. There is a place in God in which I can stand and take hold of that which is already accomplished for me. I need not continue to struggle for it.

The greatest form of spiritual warfare is praise and worship. Instead of struggling prayers, make your prayers singing prayers, rejoicing prayers. That will frighten the devil away faster than anything else. Instead of struggling for every piece of information from Heaven, enter into the rest of the Spirit and flow in *Revelation Glory.*

The struggles we go through to get victory are sometimes as bad as the external circumstances themselves. If the circumstances don't destroy us, the struggles to free ourselves from them will. It's time for rest in the Lord.

Sleepless nights are a killer. Rest in the Lord. You may have to strive to enter into that place of rest, but once you are there, all struggle ceases. Enter into that place of ease where you know that the work is accomplished. Refuse to spend all your time striving for others. Get into the rest where you can believe for them instead. Take hold in firm assurance, knowing that He who has promised is *"faithful"* to His promises:

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; for he is faithful that promised.

Hebrews 10:23

I'm just a simple person, but I refuse to struggle with every decision in life. I'll sing my way into the perfect will of God. I'll sing my way through the valley of death and into the right course for my life. I choose to sing through life, knowing that victory is assured.

When we enter the glory realm, suddenly we don't have a care in the world. There is no struggling, no striving. We're totally carefree. God causes us to rest. As the psalmist declared:

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.

Psalm 23:2

"Green pastures ..." "Still waters …" This is the place of rest.

Some might say, "But if you had the bills I have, and you didn't have money to pay them, you would be worried too." Oh, He's the great Financier. Let Him give you miracle pockets, and you can rest in Him.

When God has said that we are at the finish line, why do we insist on going back to the start? He has declared victory. Get into the place of rest, the place of confidence, and no matter what happens tomorrow, refuse to move backward. Drive a spiritual stake based upon God's revelation to you and hold your ground.

There is victory in the camp, victory in the congregation, victory in your business, victory in your household, victory in our nation. Let God put a song of victory in your soul, and then sing it. Let God put rest within your spirit, and then declare it.

Your only striving should be to enter into God's rest. If you get out of the rest, make every effort to get back into it as quickly as possible. Do whatever is necessary. Let no time pass. Get back into the rest of the Spirit so that your soul can be at peace, so that *Revelation Glory* can work and flow in your life.

There was a time when Yemen was considered one of the most difficult countries for the Gospel. Now, because of what God is doing, Yemen has opened to the Gospel. Other countries that were considered totally closed have been opened by the revelation of the Spirit of God. Winning certain groups of people to the Lord was once considered to be extremely difficult. Now, it has become easy in the flow of *Revelation Glory*.

I could tell you story after story of Jewish people who have come to know the Lord in recent years easily through the work of the Spirit. The things of the Spirit are not difficult, and gathering in the harvest is not meant to be difficult. It comes with ease — when it comes by the revelation of the Holy Spirit.

This ease that comes through revelation affects everything that we do and can affect every area of our lives. A man from England once accompanied my brother on a trip to China. He owned a company that produced computer chips. While he was on the tour, there was such a great anointing in the group that he became inspired. When he got back home, he sat down in his office and revelation knowledge flowed into his spirit for a new machine to make computer chips. He began to draw it out.

Normally, he said, when he had ideas for such a machine, it would take him close to six months to design it. On this occasion, his new machine was fully designed in two weeks, and it was also fully operational in record time. If you will yield to it, revelation knowledge can transform your life too.

When I first went out to Hong Kong in the late 1950s, I was speaking one night in a little church on top of a mountain. My interpreter was not very good. He was just learning English, and I was just learning Chinese. It was a time when refugees were flooding out of China, most of them simple peasant people, and it was easy to see that they were bewildered by the bustling life of Hong

Kong. They were overwhelmed by the changes that had taken place in their lives and the adjustments that would be required of them if they were to survive in the Crown Colony.

I became quite distressed when the interpreter and I were having such a hard time understanding each other. In the midst of this turmoil, I said, “Oh, Lord, if I could only speak their language!”

When I said that, the Lord rebuked me. “Ruth,” He said, “if you could speak their language like a king, it would still be up to Me to open their understanding.” I never again complained about having to speak through an interpreter. It takes a revelation of the Holy Ghost for people to understand us — whether or not they understand the words we are using to express ourselves.

When the glory of God comes, as it did to Saul on the road to Damascus, for example, it takes only moments for the lost to recognize their need of a Savior. It happens quickly in the Spirit.

“Lord, forgive me,” I prayed, “for thinking that I had to speak their language well in order for them to know You. You reveal Yourself to them.” No sooner had I prayed that prayer than something began to happen. When I looked out at the people, they seemed to be the same people I had been trying to reach all evening, but something was different. Suddenly, I could see that light bulbs were going on all over the congregation. The light of the glorious Gospel was suddenly dawning in their hearts, and it was showing on their faces. It happened because of the revealing power of the Spirit of God.

If God can do that for a Chinese peasant, He can do it for sophisticated financiers on Wall Street. He can do it for those who hold high positions in any society. He can do it for the members of your family.

Winning our family members often seems, to us, to be the most difficult task, but changing them is not difficult for God. He can do it quickly and easily as we move into the rest that comes through *Revelation Glory.*

These are days of harvest, and if we can get out of ourselves and into the Spirit, we will reap a large corner of the field. It will be done, however, only in the Spirit, not in the flesh.

You only need to sing a little song. In this way, you will release the glory of the Lord into the atmosphere around you. Spend a little time in worship. Take time for adoration of the Lord. Then let your voice become a voice of triumph to be lifted up in the midst of the people. When you perform these simple acts of worship, suddenly you will know what to declare and decree. As you declare what God is showing you, the wind of the Spirit will begin to blow, and it will blow the grain you want to reap right into the barn.

The biggest problem we will have in the days ahead is where to put all the people who come to us for salvation. Churches may have some empty seats right now, but they won't be empty for long. God has shown them to me filled.

What God does in the days ahead will not be secret; it will be very public. We will all see many reports on our television newscasts of the manifestation of God's power and glory, and many reporters will be touched by this revival.

One evening during our 1999 Summer Campmeeting, we had a camera crew arrive from one of our local PBS stations. This will become more common, and we will all be surprised with what God does in the future in the ease of *Revelation Glory.*

It is time to remove words like "hard," "difficult," "impossible" and "immovable" out of your vocabulary. Replace them with words like "ease," "abundance" and "fullness." Replace your limiting vocabulary with the words God speaks. He said:

> *For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the* LORD, *as the waters cover the sea.*
>
> Habakkuk 2:14

It is a glory consciousness, a revelation consciousness, that will bring in this great harvest of the end time. Glorious days are just ahead in the harvest, but this can only happen as we join ourselves to God's purposes through revelation. A greater day is coming in which there will not be room enough at our altars for those who are coming. In many nations, men and women will now come to the Lord in multitudes.

It is time to lay aside the things that have distressed us and disturbed our spirits, and to move forward into the fullness of that which God is bringing forth upon the Earth. Let us reach out and embrace the Lord and His glory, and in doing so, we will reach out and embrace His harvest. If we allow ourselves to be joined to Him and His purposes, we will see how truly glorious this day will be.

It is time to rest in the Spirit and allow the answer to come. There is a deeper rest in the Holy Spirit that we must all move into in these days if we desire to have the fullness of *Revelation Glory*. This requires fellowship and communion with the Lord, but when we have that, every struggle falls away. Releases don't come when we are in the midst of struggles; they come when we are praising and worshiping God and have already forgotten about our problems.

My mother used to say, "When you get neutral on a question, God speaks." When you disassociate yourself from the problem, then you are able to hear from Him.

We are coming into the days of great supernatural revelation concerning the

harvest and these precious days on the earth. Many of you will not only wield the sickle in the harvest, but you will also be called upon to offer insight into the best means of harvesting. Because of this, you will need the wisdom to mobilize those who will be at the forefront of what God is doing in all of the Earth. Don't let this worry you. Relax. You will know what to do by the Spirit, by *Revelation Glory*.

Chapter 31: Move into Revelation Glory

Ye have not, because ye ask not.

James 4:2

Moving into *Revelation Glory* is nothing difficult. It is as easy as worshiping the Lord.

Once the Lord sent me to a large church in Brisbane, Australia. I wondered why He had sent me; it was already a great church.

The Lord then said to me, “I have brought you here to teach the pastor the difference between the faith realm and the glory realm.”

The pastor of the church later told me that when he would minister in the service, he sometimes saw a little glory cloud over someone’s head. Upon seeing this, he would declare (for example), “That lady over there in the red dress has a glory cloud over her.” No sooner would he say this than the cloud would burst, and the glory of God would spread over everyone present. He was thrilled with this, but he didn’t know how to make it happen more frequently. So it was my privilege to teach him what I knew about the glory of God.

I ministered every night in his church. On Sunday morning he said to me, “Many of the people who are coming today will be here because they have heard me on television. If it’s okay with you, I will get up and minister a little before you preach.”

“That would be wonderful,” I said.

He had always had a dynamic healing and word of knowledge ministry, and his church had been built on it. When he got up to minister that day, he was very dramatic. He jumped off of the platform, and with his Bible in his hand, seemed to go after the people. Great miracles resulted, but he somehow stopped short of ministering the glory.

I asked him later, “Why didn’t you minister in the glory realm?”

He said, “When I got up, it wasn’t there.”

I said, “If it’s not there, you have to create it.”

That night I preached, and when I finished preaching, I invited everyone to come forward. I started a little chorus and brought the atmosphere to a place of glory. Then I turned to the pastor and said, “Would you like to minister now?” I kept the people singing that same chorus for the next forty-five minutes, keeping the atmosphere of glory at that same level, while he ministered.

The pastor later told me that this had been the longest period he had ever ministered in the glory until that time. It happened because of the atmosphere that had been created.

Many more desire to enter into the glory realm and receive *Revelation Glory*, but they have not been able to learn the secret: It's in our worship. Our worship needs to be simple, it needs to be consistent and it needs to be prolonged.

Those who are involved in music ministries know and love many choruses. They may start off singing something that creates the atmosphere we want, but they rarely keep it going. After leading the congregation through a particular chorus two or three times, they switch to some other chorus. This keeps the people moving up and down and back and forth, and before long, they have "spiritual whiplash."

If a chorus has brought you into the glory realm, keep it going, and don't be afraid to sing it as many times as necessary. Every time you change the pace, it can be felt in the atmosphere. It is vitally important to maintain that glory realm.

One January, when I was ministering in the Ladies' Convention at Brownsville Assembly of God, Brenda Kilpatrick, the pastor's wife, spoke in the morning service. After she finished speaking, she asked me to lay hands on her that she would prophesy. I laid hands on her and then went back down to my seat. After several minutes she began to prophesy. This brought a great roar of praise from all the participants.

After Sister Kilpatrick had prophesied, she fell out under the power of God on the platform, and the congregation was left in anticipation of what God was going to do. There were several thousand ladies there that day, and all of them were on their feet, very excited, praising God and expecting something to happen.

It was already noon, and the meeting was scheduled to end. Lunch was to be served soon, and then I was scheduled to speak in the 2:00 PM service. But still that air of expectancy hung over the place like a cloud. I was a visitor, and I didn't think it was my place to change the order of the service, so we waited.

After a while, one of the group of local ladies in charge of the meeting came forward. She picked up one of the handheld microphones and slipped it into my left hand. I said to her, "I'm supposed to speak at two, but it's not necessary. I suggest that we continue now, and at two o'clock let the ladies have lunch. Then they can go home and get ready for the evening service."

She went to consult with several others, then came back and said, "Go ahead." I stepped up to the platform and began to sing a little worship song. I kept the same tune going for the next hour and a half.

I sang other phrases to the same chorus, but it was all spontaneously given to me by the Spirit. The head usher later said it was the greatest glory the church had experienced since the revival began. The video of that particular segment of

the conference was sent all over the world as an example of the type of revival God was sending in those days.

Moving into the glory realm is so simple that we often miss it. Sometimes, for instance, that little chorus "Alleluia," can be used so powerfully. There are many choruses that can be used. I'm just using that as an example. We can sing so many other phrases to one simple tune, and if we can keep singing without breaking the rhythm, we can keep flowing in the glory realm.

The activity that follows, as we minister to those who are hungry for God's blessings (both spiritual and physical), must flow from the manifestation of the glory. In the glory, there is healing. In the glory, there is the fullness of the Holy Spirit. In the glory, visions come. In the glory, we hear the voice of God. Anything and everything can happen in the glory.

God is teaching us how to bring His glory into the midst of His people, and He is teaching us how to keep it. The way we bring in the flow of God's glory is the same way we maintain that flow until the Spirit has accomplished in our midst that which He wills.

When we are bringing in the glory or working to maintain the presence of the glory in our midst, it is not the time to sing all of our favorites.

I understand this desire to sing favorite choruses. Sometimes at the end of one of our services, we are so happy and blessed that we sit together and sing favorites for hours. But when we are trying to move the service in a particular direction (because the Spirit has shown us what direction to go to bring in the glory), then we must stick to a simple chorus.

We praise until the spirit of worship comes. We worship until the glory comes. Then we avoid anything that would disrupt that atmosphere of glory, and we stay there, allowing God to reveal Himself to us.

It doesn't have to always be the same song. I don't even remember what song we used on that now-famous day in Pensacola, and I have never seen the video to be reminded. Use the chorus God is giving you at the moment to bring in the glory and the accompanying revelation.

It is possible to use a tune that has some very complicated words to it. What you need to do, however, is to take just a phrase out of that song and repeat that phrase. If you don't know what else to sing, with any tune you can sing the word "hallelujah."

Once, when we were in Russia, I asked one of our worship leaders from Virginia to lead the praise and worship. She didn't know any Russian at all, but by using some fast "hallelujah" choruses for praise, some slow "hallelujah" choruses for worship and some "other" hallelujah choruses to continue in the

glory, she was able to lead the people into the presence of God. It only takes four or five words or phrases in any language to bring people into the glory.

Learn to sit on the crest of God's waves and then bring the glory back and dump it on the people to whom you are ministering. After that, you can teach them to bring in the glory waves for themselves.

Sometimes you will need to tell your mind to remain still while you allow the Spirit to have the ascendancy. If we can take enough time in praise and worship, we can come into the things of the Spirit very quickly. It is not always necessary to have a great prayer meeting before something happens. Learn to move ever more quickly into a higher realm. At first, it might take forty-five minutes to come into the glory. Then, because you are doing it more and more, it might take you only thirty minutes. Then it may take only twenty-five minutes, then twenty minutes, then fifteen minutes, and then ten. If we can have a group of people who flow together and worship together often, we can come into the glory realm almost instantly.

That doesn't mean that we then bypass praise. Praise is the point of entry, and we must begin with praise to bring everyone in together. Praise is an act of the will, while worship is not. It is a gift from God's Spirit. You can say you are worshiping and you can even be singing songs of worship, but until the spirit of worship comes on you, you are not really worshiping. We must praise until the spirit of worship comes. Then, when the spirit of worship comes, we must worship until the glory comes. Just as long as we want the glory to be manifested, we must keep on worshiping. It is in the realm of worship and the resulting glory that miracles happen.

Pastor Benny Hinn has been blessed by God because he is a great worshiper, and in the realm of worship there are great miracles. All of us must become greater worshipers. While we are worshiping, miracles will take place — greater miracles than we have ever experienced, creative miracles.

Many people ask me how they can begin to have visions. My answer is always the same: Just keep on worshiping when you come into the spirit of worship. This is one reason I linger after every service. We sometimes stay with those who are praying until midnight or later. After everyone has finished ministering, we keep on singing. It is in the glory realm that we are released to see and hear and experience what we have never experienced before.

So how can you start? Open your mouth, and begin to sing. Sing to Jesus. Then begin to believe for revelation, and if you desire it and you ask for it, you will receive it. The Scriptures say clearly that *"[we] have not because [we] ask not,"* so let's start asking.

If we are bold to ask for the greater thing, it will be given unto us. If we are bold to ask for revelation knowledge, it will be given to us. God's desire is to reveal Himself to His Bride, to cause us to know Him intimately. We can know His majesty. We can know His glory and His power. It is the "knowing" of Him that will satisfy the deep longings of our hearts, for He will remove every sense of dissatisfaction and restlessness from our spirits, and we will know true contentment. He is ready and willing to reveal Himself to us from glory to glory.

There will be times in the near future when we will seem nearly overwhelmed by the greatness of the revelation knowledge that comes to us. It will seem just like that which was received by the prophets of old and the very apostles who walked with the Lord. We will sometimes feel like the apostle Paul, when he said he was *"born out of due season."*

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- *It is seeing as He sees and knowing as He knows.*
- *It is wisdom and understanding sovereignly imparted to us when we have pressed beyond praise and worship and into the glory realm.*
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