

## For the Many and Not the Few

**Eph 1:17** - *I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better.* NIV

We must learn to cry out, “*more Lord, right here, right now!*”

- **Empowering the prophetic mantle allows for more ministry to get done.**

**Num 11:14-17** - *I cannot carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me. 15 If this is how you are going to treat me, put me to death right now--if I have found favor in your eyes--and do not let me face my own ruin." 16 The LORD said to Moses: "Bring me seventy of Israel's elders who are known to you as leaders and officials among the people. Have them come to the Tent of Meeting, that they may stand there with you. 17 I will come down and speak with you there, and I will take of the Spirit that is on you and put the Spirit on them. They will help you carry the burden of the people so that you will not have to carry it alone., 25 Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took of the Spirit that was on him and put the Spirit on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied, **but they did not do so again.*** NIV

- **Opposition is expected when prophetic empowerment is encouraged.**

**Numbers 11:26-30** - *Two men, Eldad and Medad, were still in the camp when the Spirit rested upon them. They were listed among the leaders but had not gone out to the Tabernacle, so they prophesied there in the camp. 27 A young man ran and reported to Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp!" 28 Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses' personal assistant since his youth, protested, "**Moses, my master, make them stop!**" 29 But Moses replied, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his Spirit upon them all!" 30 Then Moses returned to the camp with the leaders of Israel.* NLT

- **Prophetic release and activity are signs of the last days “Spirit behavior.”**

**Joel 2:28-29** - *'And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. 29 Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.* NIV

### THE PRIEST AND THE PROPHET

**OT Prophecy** = To flow forth; to bubble forth like a fountain; to spring forth.

- **The priest presented the people to God.**
- **The prophet represented God to the people.**

**NT Prophecy** = To speak for another; speaking for the mind and counsel of God. It is the supernatural ability to hear the voice of God. It is the voice of Christ speaking in His church.

**1 Peter 2:9** - *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.* NIV

**1 Cor 14:1-5** - Follow the way of love and **eagerly desire** spiritual gifts, **especially the gift of prophecy**. 2 For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God. Indeed, no one understands him; he utters mysteries with his spirit. 3 But everyone who prophesies speaks to men for their **strengthening, encouragement and comfort**. 4 He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. 5 I would like every one of you to speak in tongues, but I would **rather have you prophesy**. He who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may be edified. NIV

## THE PROMISE AFFIRMED

- The Church is made to be a community of ministers

**Rev 2:6** - But you have this in your favor: You hate the practices of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. NIV

**Acts 2:17-18** - And it shall come to pass in the last days, God declares, that **I will pour out of My Spirit upon all mankind**, and your **sons** and your **daughters** shall **prophesy** [telling forth the divine counsels] and your **young men** shall see **visions** (divinely granted appearances), and your **old men** shall **dream** [divinely suggested] dreams. <sup>18</sup> Yes, and on My **menservants** also and on My **maidservants** in those days I will pour out of My Spirit, and **they shall prophesy** [telling forth the divine counsels and predicting future events pertaining especially to God's kingdom]. AMP

## WHY PROPHECY?

Salvation.

**Acts 2:21**- And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.' NIV

Fulfilled Promises.

**Acts 2:39** - The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off-for all whom the Lord our God will call." NIV

**Rev 19:10** - At this I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Do not do it! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For **the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy**." NIV

The prophetic graces are not for the elite few. They are for all of us!