

## Passion, Power & Purpose Conference 2010

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Your inheritance is unclaimed. Promises are the currency of God's relationship with us. We have not because we ask not. Everyday I wake up, I'm living in the unfolding of prophecy.

God works out from us according to whatever depth we allow him to put in us.

God is devoted to changing the way you think. There is no lasting change without renewed minds. There's no more important thing than how you think about God.

First self-revelation of God – Moses on the mountain. Everyone has to have a revelation of God that runs your life from that point on.

God loves to kill negativity and replace it with something else. When he proclaims and makes a promise, God is staking a claim in your life. Promises are in direct opposition to the enemy. To proclaim means to call out loudly. It challenges us to walk differently with God.

**God is not obsessed by sin ... he's consumed by life.** He's already dealt with sin once and for all at the cross. He's not dealing with your sin, he's dealing with your righteousness. When He touches a part of your life it's not about shame, or sin – He is highlighting the next miracle in your life!

It is time for us to stop being schizophrenic about the gospel. The good news is not ordinary. It's astonishing, amazing! A radiant God – where we live with a sense of awe, wonder and majesty.

You can't reach your destiny until you renew your mind ... your focus.

You cannot have a problem without a provision attached to it. ***God allows in your life what He could easily prevent with His power.***

Our expectations are so low that we don't see the problem for what it is. What if every problem was designed to create excitement and wonder in your life?

We are not living from earth to heaven, but from heaven to earth.

Confession means to admit the truth about yourself – to write a fresh identity statement about yourself. **If you agree with the lie, you give power to the liar.** Confession breaks the connection. It must, at some point, become a **declaration**. Stepping into an action – this is my road, my journey and I am moving this way. This turns your **identity** into your **destiny**. Prophecy shows you the outcome. Declaration develops the momentum. We must be habitual in living in our identity. *I am what God says I am. I have what God says I have. I can do what God says I can do.*

We shouldn't just be infatuated with what God is doing. We should be dedicated. It's a marriage commitment.

*Intrinsic to your relationship with God is the permission you have to dream.*

When you live under negativity, you stop dreaming. Exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think... what's beyond thinking? Dreaming!

Logical, rational people never attempt the impossible. The gospel is such brilliant news, it borders on fantasy. You will miss it if you think it. Because it's faith. Jesus was never limited by the logical.

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#### Prophetic Words: What Comes Next? How do you Follow Up?

Prophecy is relational. Everything God does is to establish who He is in you. It's about who you are to God and who He wants to be to you.

The law of life in Christ is to love God first. If we are going to walk with God successfully, we have to follow up with what He has directly spoken in our lives. The less preaching teaching we have, the more we can do with what He has already spoken. How many messages have you heard in your life? How many have changed your life? *We are all pretty good at not paying attention.* We, like James says, are hearers and not doers. Obedience to the call is vital. It's given to you to discover your destiny. We must pursue it.

He puts a claim on your life. You must **consider** it. Write down key words because each word describes you – who you are, how you should conduct yourself and what your partnership with the Holy Spirit is. **Your permission upgrades your identity.** It improves your performance as a Christian. This isn't wrong, it's the reason behind the performance. *Performance is going to the limit of your current potential in order to exceed it.* We are **not** defined by our **limitations**.

**Exploration, possession, and authority** – all steps we must take in our journey.

If you want to get really high... the door is set really low – it's like a crawl space – and when you go through it, it squeezes you and all the sharp edges get smoothed out.

**No one drifts to the top of a mountain.** Making it to the summit takes preparation and energy. ***Intentionality is a way of life.***

Our role is to prepare the way of the Lord. To make it easy to connect. Explore God's dream over you. Follow the specifics of your identity.

Burden – what you feel strongly about develops passion.

Vision – what you see yourself doing about it. How God sees you. You want to know it. The enemy will challenge you.

Strategy – know the plans God has for you. Favor, anointing, presence, power. Training and development. Part of it is about serving someone in that line.

Resources – what provision belong to me because of this word? The gospel is free ... teaching isn't.

You are present/future in your relationship with God. The past is dead.

**Worry doesn't solve a thing. It prevents you from solving a thing.**

For a dream to become a reality it must cease to be a dream and become a relationship. **Consider. Be courageous. Act.** Don't begin with what's possible. *A dream must begin with something way beyond your capacity to realize.*

**If you are going to say yes to God, you must say no to something else.**

You will have to say no to certain things / people in pursuit of that yes.

There's a gap between desperation and achievement.

Sowing and reaping – you sow where you want to go.

Difficult people are your shortcut to something brilliant. It's practice! Practice the favor that is implicit in your prophecy. You practice it best when everything is against you. God has abundance... the enemy is on a budget.

There comes a moment when you must step into your identity. You have to take inventory of your life.

Strengths – what/where am I doing well?

Weaknesses – what needs to change in me?

Opportunities – what is opening up to me?

Threats – where is the enemy resisting?

I want to live in harmony with the Holy Spirit.

Getting your needs met is the “baby end” of spirituality. God has already said He would meet your needs. The issue is, what is my inheritance? When God stops giving you money, He gives you an idea on how to make money!

**A poverty spirit is about living with meager possibilities.**

When you establish your identity, you take your authority. The first person you must take authority is yourself. **Act now. Today.** Stop procrastinating. Procrastination is from the enemy.

What are you in agreement with regarding your identity? Don't define yourself by what you can't do. Call yourself up! I can do all things through Christ! Are your personal assumptions self-defeating? The Holy Spirit wants to upgrade your *permission* to *authorization*. **There's no breakthrough without follow through.** Take responsibility!

Permission creates momentum. Authority empowers people. You need to own your identity and the destiny that goes with it.

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#### Why are you here for such a time as this?

Most things that God says prophetically are completely ridiculous. That's prophecy!

Everyone has a story. Everyone's on a journey. What brought you here for such a time as this?

I don't believe you are a "good local church." God is upgrading you. Heaven comes to earth here – dynamic encounters, signs, wonders and healings. Upgrade doesn't just happen though. **When God promises you something, he looks at you for your response.** Each one of you needs to find your identity and inheritance. When you *give* to this dream – being a resource church. It's not your money we want. It's your spirit man!

**We need to give out of our inheritance, not out of what we can afford.** This is deliciously outrageous and wonderfully impossible. That sounds like God.

*He didn't choose you to be ordinary.* There are defining moments where you can change history in a given city, in a given region. You don't want an ordinary life, a life that's rational and reasonable. There are moments in life when you get to do something extraordinary ... or you can choose to retreat back into mediocrity.

*It's time to push all of your chips to the center of the table and bet it all on Jesus.*

**You never know who you are unless you put both feet outside the boat and let go.** I don't want you to walk in mediocrity.

Whenever I come under attack, my default position is “much loved child.” Because to God, that is exactly how He sees me. You need to know who you are.

**I am a whole person fighting off sickness, not a sick person trying to get well.**

**There is no power without focus.** You came here to be someone. You came here to do something. Make sure you do it. Make it count. You have to live as though you could be meeting Jesus tomorrow.

Faith is weird. It's risky. It's going up to the limit of what's possible and stepping across the line. What are you here for? What's the dream of God for you? What's your inheritance? Make sure you are living in what God has set aside for you to do.

We're about to make history in this region. For some unaccountable reason, He chose this lot. Us. ***You have to want destiny or you won't get it. No one drifts to the top of a mountain.*** You have to match God's intentionality. God is intentional. Before genesis 1:1 was ever written, Jesus was slain. Before the foundation of the world were. That's intentionality.

God wants us to be very specific about His intentionality. We need to step up to a higher place of intentionality because God is rolling up His sleeves. *He is looking for a people who will put their hand out for something extraordinary.* You are chosen. But you can “unchoose” yourself. If you deselect yourself, He will replace you because He means business.

**It's time to lift the church out of the ordinary into the supernatural.**

(After a round of applause) Clapping is ok, but it's what you do next that carries you into the kingdom. This is your moment – don't mess it up. It's time to connect with your destiny. What am I going to give my life for? This is your moment to make decisions about who you are going to be.

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The only way to represent the kingdom of heaven is with excellence.