

INSPIRED WORD

March 11, 2015

EXHORTATION / PRAYER

Let's praise the Lord in this place tonight! Be open to the Holy Spirit! Scripture tells us to earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, especially the gift of Prophecy. **(Ref: 1 Corinthians 14)** People of God, if we are to evangelize and call upon the Holy Spirit, we need to ask for those gifts to be made manifest in us, in our hearts, each and every one of us. So take a moment now and say to the Lord, "Lord, I am ready, I am ready! I want to be anointed by You tonight. I am ready to speak Prophecy tonight; I am ready to share an Image that You might give me. I am ready to speak the Words of Knowledge that You give me tonight. Why? So that Your love may be made manifest, that Your Presence may be made manifest, and that Your people may all be touched with Your love. So, Lord, I open up my heart to You, use me! Give me Inspired Scripture, an Image, a Word, Prophecy, a message in Tongues. Use me, Lord!" As the Lord gives you these gifts, as we continue to adore Him and praise Him, if you feel an anointing of any of these gifts, all you have to do is come up front and say what you have been given. It is very, very simple – even if it is only one or two words, just give what you have been given. Lord, we want to be an evangelistic community, operating in Your Charismatic Gifts. Therefore, pour them forth upon us and grant us the love in our hearts that we may yield to those Gifts in this place. Lord, touch those of us who are here tonight with Your love and with Your power, and even those people who You will bring here. Lord, pour forth Your Holy Spirit upon us!

SENSE / PROPHECY / EXHORTATION / PRAYER

Earlier tonight when Deacon Chuck asked us to start praying for one another, I just had this overwhelming sense that there is a person, or several people, here tonight who have been asking, "Lord, do You still pour Yourself out on the people who ask for it, or is it something that You did long ago or maybe for a few people here and there? Will you do it for me?" And the answer is: 'Yes'! Yes, He still comes in His glory. We have been singing so much tonight about the glory of God. It is in that glory that He comes and says, "I want you; I want you to be My child! I want to walk next to you, and I want you to be My hands and My feet, but I need you to trust Me as I pour Myself out upon you! I need you to trust Me, that when I come in My glory, you will have no fear! I want you to walk boldly into the things that I am calling you to do, and to say, 'Yes!'" So many times I thought of Moses, when he was on the mountain, and he asked God to show him His glory. Moses wanted to see the glory of God. Sometimes when we get to this place, we forget how much we need the Presence of the Lord, until we start to experience this. Maybe this is something that you are doing for the first time, stepping out and saying, "Lord, I don't know what this desire is within me. I don't know what I need from You this evening. But I know that I need something and that is why I am here." So, Lord, I ask You to come, wrap Your arms around each of us tonight; wrap Your arms around those here tonight who are in need of Your touch and love, so that we all may see that there is healing in Your glory, and that there is freedom in Your Presence!

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 62: 1 – 8: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation. He alone is my Rock and my Salvation, my Fortress; I shall never be shaken. How long will you assail a person, will you batter your victim, all of you; as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence? Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence. They take pleasure in falsehood; they bless with their mouths, but inwardly they curse. For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from Him. He alone is my Rock and my Salvation, my Fortress; I shall not be shaken. On God rests my deliverance and my honor; my mighty Rock, my refuge is in God. Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before Him; God is a Refuge for us.

PRAYER

Lord, our Refuge and our solid Rock, in You we place our trust now willfully!

PRAYER

Psalm 63: 1 – 8: O God, You are my God, earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You, my body longs for You, in a dry and weary land where there is no water. I have seen You in the sanctuary and beheld Your power and Your glory. Because You love is better than life, my lips will glorify You. I will praise You as long as I live, and in Your Name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise You. On my bed I remember You; I think if You through the watches of the night. Because You are my Help, I sing in the shadow of Your wings. My soul clings to You; Your right hand upholds me.

IMAGE / SENSE

I had an Image that was given to me a little while ago. I had a strong sense that I was supposed to share it, but I didn't know when. But now after this last song, I knew that this was the time. The Image I had was of a very large chalice like we see up here on the altar for Communion. The chalice was filled with a liquid, but I wasn't sure what the liquid was until we sang this last song. The liquid was water and the chalice was being swirled around pretty fast. At first I couldn't understand why the chalice was being swirled so fast as everything in it would spill out of it. The Lord put it on my heart that there is someone here, or maybe more than one person here, who is dry right now, and who is experiencing that parched dryness and thirst. I got the sense that the reason the chalice was being swirled so fast was because when the water spills over the edge, it splashes further out and it then touches everybody; nobody gets missed.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 138: 1 – 5: I will praise You, O Lord, with all my heart; before the gods I will sing Your praise. I will bow down toward Your holy Temple and will praise Your Name for Your love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your Name and Your Word. When I called, You answered me; You made me bold and stouthearted. May all the kings of the earth praise You, O Lord, when they hear the words of Your mouth. May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great.

SCRIPTURE / SHARING / EXHORATION

Psalm 66: 16 – 20: “Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what He has done for me. I cried out to Him with my mouth; His praise was on my tongue. If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; but God has surely listened and heard my voice in prayer. Praise be to God, Who has not rejected my prayer or withheld His love from me!” I want to say something to encourage those who are feeling dry and parched. All of us are in dry spots in our lives at one time or another. I honestly believe that those are the times in which we can really grow! When I am in a dry spot, it is because I know how great God has been in my life, and the reason it hurts so much is because I am missing that so much. I know how great He is and how good He is and I am just so anxious to get back to that mountain top. If I was on that mountain top all of the time, I personally would start taking things for granted after awhile. So when I slip into that valley that is when I am really thirsty and hungry and that is when I can really sing that song, ‘Every move that I make is because of You, Lord; every breath that I take is because You make me breathe.’ So when we are in a dry spot, we ask Him why He doesn’t speak to us. God does speak to us! I can’t encourage you enough to go to our website: www.NewPentecost.net and read all of the Inspired Words that Dan and Rose Mary have put there on that site. Go to the paragraphs titled **PROPHECY** and read all of those times that God did speak to us, maybe there is one there that really speaks to your heart and fills your needs. I can’t encourage you enough to go to this website and read all of the times that God has spoken to us here!

CONFIRMATION / SCRIPTURE

I believe that I have a confirmation for that last song, and I think it is also a confirmation of the words that Ruth spoke earlier. Ruth gave these words in Prophecy: **“I want you to walk boldly into the things that I am calling you to do, and to say, ‘Yes!’”** What I thought was interesting is that God didn’t call us to walk boldly into the things to which He is calling us only when things are going well, or when things are not going so well, or when we are in the river of grace or in the field of dryness. God told us to walk boldly into the things to which He is calling us. Then He led me to this Scripture in **Habakkuk 3: 17 – 19:** Even though the fig trees have no fruit and no grapes grow on the vines, even though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no grain, even though the sheep all die and the cattle stalls are empty, I will still be joyful and glad, because the Lord God is my Savior. The Sovereign Lord gives me strength. He makes me sure-footed as a deer and keeps me safe on the mountains.” So when we walk boldly into the things to which God is calling us, we don’t even have to feel like it, we just have to be **willing to do it!** If all of these things happened to that person in this Scripture, he would have to be in the pit of despair. But here he says, “I will still be joyful and glad, because the Lord God is my Savior.”

IMAGE

Just before that last song was played, I had an Image of a table covered with gold coins and treasures. A person or persons there at the table were overly concerned about the treasures and goods of their lives. Then the song came up and we sang the song that Jesus is our Treasure. He is the Treasure Whom we seek!

PRAYER

Jesus, I love You! **Jesus, I love You!!**

SUMMARY / SCRIPTURE / EXHORTATION

As we get ready to close tonight, there is a place in Scripture that says something about speaking a word to the weary. **(Reference: Isaiah 50: 4: The Lord has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.)** I know that some of you were weary when you came here tonight. Did any of you hear a word or a song that spoke to your heart which would cause you to be a little less weary and more trustful of God? That is what it is all about! I want to say thank you to everyone who shared tonight, but I really want to say thank you to our music team. They led us to a place that is closer to the heart of God this week and even last week as well. So many things were said tonight, and so many things were heard, but there is one thing that I want to leave with you. You may remember the Scripture that had been read this past Sunday about the Samaritan woman and the dialogue that Jesus had with her at the well. After He had asked her to give Him a drink, she asked Him why He was asking her for a drink of water. Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water that I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." **(Reference: John 4: 1 – 14)** When Jesus was talking about His water, He was speaking of the Holy Spirit which had not yet been given. But this is the verse which really strikes me; after all of this dialogue, there is one verse that says, "Then the woman left her water jar and went into the town and said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Messiah?" They went out of the town and went to Jesus. **(Ref: John 4: 28 -30)** She came to get water and she left her water jar there because she had the life giving water. This is the water which God has poured out upon us tonight – life giving water! Jesus wants us to leave our water jars because we have been filled with His Holy Spirit, and to go out to others and let that living water be poured out from us to all of them.