



2026 Prophetic VISION

From Compassion to Commission  **JESUS
DEMONSTRATES
LEADERSHIP!**



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Jesus made a very strong statement in Acts 1:8. He said, "YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER! You will receive Power after the Holy Spirit is come on you!" If we examine the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation there is an emphasis on Power – God has unlimited power – and we can receive His Power in our lives! All my life I have sought to receive this Power from God, never satisfied and always wanting more.

Looking at Scripture, God's Power is evidenced in men where what they did was humanly impossible, real miracles which could only be accomplished by God's Power moving through them. So many times in the Old Testament God's Power enabled men to do the impossible: Daniel in the lion's den – David killing Goliath – Elijah calling down fire on the sacrifice – Moses crossing the Red Sea – Joshua's destroying the walls of Jericho. These were only a small representation of the many miracles in the Old Testament.

In fact, only a few years ago I had a big argument with God on my prayer mountain. I said, "Why were the miracles in the Old Testament bigger than in the New Testament?!!" The Holy Spirit gave me a clear answer, showing that there is a way in which we can see bigger miracles – and the answer is in something that Jesus actually said!

I have always been challenged by the necessity of POWER in the Church and particularly in my life! Power motivates and drives everything God does and everything that we do. We NEED the Fire and Power of God!

In Matt 9 when they bring a crippled man lying paralysed on a bed to Jesus, He doesn't heal him straightaway, but instead says, "Your sin is forgiven." But that can't be seen! And who is Jesus anyway? The religious leaders questioned, who can forgive sin but God alone? But Jesus continues, "So that you may KNOW that the Son of Man has POWER on EARTH, I say, crippled man, get up

and walk!" The religious leaders didn't recognise Christ's Power to be able to forgive sin, but it was seen in the miraculous healing – when the dying man got up and walked!!!

Preaching from 1 Corinthians recently led me to conclude that there are actually THREE sources of power – open to us through the Holy Spirit.

ONE: THE HOLY SPIRIT HIMSELF. We know that Jesus said in Acts 1:8, "You will receive Power after the Holy Spirit is come on you." The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is a clear, separate experience from simple conversion. Paul in Acts 19:2 asks a group of converts, "Have you received the Holy Spirit since you believed?" They hadn't even heard of the Holy Spirit! Having received and demonstrated that Power for 75 years, I would even question those who claim to have received the Power, where is it?!! Show me. This Power needs a lot of faith to put it into action!

In 1 Cor 12:8ff Paul explains about the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and the different gifts He gives us. He indicates there are **9 gifts** from the Holy Spirit: **3 intellectual ones** – the word of knowledge, the word of wisdom and the discerning of spirits; **3 vocal gifts** – speaking with tongues, the interpretation of tongues and the gift of prophecy; and **3 practical gifts** – gifts of faith, working of miracles, and gifts of healing. Then in 12:28ff he says, "In the church God has appointed apostles, prophets, teachers, workers of miracles, helpers, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking with different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? No. Are all prophets? No. Are all teachers? No. Are all workers of miracles? No. Have all got gifts of healing? No. Do all speak in tongues, do all interpret? **But COVET EARNESTLY the best gifts!**"

I strongly believe that if you've received the Holy Spirit, you should call upon Him to give you some of the gifts! Come on! We NEED the gifts of the Spirit. I need the

gifts of the Spirit. They are the demonstration you have received the Baptism! In my early days there were two, almost identical, Pentecost denominations in Britain. One was founded by Stephen Jeffreys (Assemblies of God), and the other by George Jeffreys (Elim). Brothers! But these denominations could never agree because of one thing only. One said, 'The first manifestation of having received the Holy Spirit is speaking in tongues.' And the other said, "It can be any of the nine gifts..." So, the battle between these two early Pentecostal denominations was over the manifestation of the Holy Spirit; I believe it can be any of the gifts... But if you HAVE received the Holy Spirit, there should be a manifestation of POWER!

Whatever the gift – speaking in tongues, prophesying, discerning of spirits – whatever it is, Paul said, "Seek the best gift." I took this literally. When I received the Holy Spirit I said, "Holy Spirit, I don't want the vocal gifts" – yes, like Paul, I can speak in tongues 'more than anybody' – I don't claim to interpret tongues or to be a prophet, and I didn't ask for the intellectual gifts, discerning of spirits, knowledge or wisdom. But I said, "Holy Spirit, what gets me excited is I want the practical gifts: the gifts of faith, of healing and working of miracles!" And to me the most important was the gift of faith – and that's what I asked for! Because without faith you can't please God! So to fulfill my calling and to please God I needed faith! THIS IS MY LIFE – TO LIVE BY FAITH!

TWO: PRAYER. We know that there's Power in our praying. The prayer of faith will save the sick, James 5:14, and the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man 'avails much' – it is the Power that will move mountains! James 5:16. Elijah was no different to us! James 5:17. He prayed there would be no rain in Israel, and there was no rain for three and a half years until he prayed that it would rain again. And it did! From my earliest boyhood I've experienced the Power of

SOURCES OF POWER

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prayer. I learnt from my father! I'm the product of his powerful prayers. All my life I've experienced the Power of answered prayer. There's corporate prayer, yes, but there's private prayer when YOU get to grips with God! Still today, through the Holy Spirit – prayer, communication with God – is the source of my power. But we need FAITH added to our praying, which means going out and doing it! Don't just talk. Pray then act! This is what James meant.

How was I healed of cancer twice? By faith in the Power of prayer. How did I get out of that communist prison? By faith in the Power of prayer. How was I healed of osteoarthritis? By faith in the Power of prayer. How do I preach the Gospel? By faith in the Power of prayer. Come on! That's why I see so many miracles in my ministry. I live by faith in the Power of prayer.

THREE: THE POWER OF THE BLOOD. Reading through Corinthians recently, where Paul is writing about the Communion, he says, 1 Cor 10:16, "Is not the cup of Blessing which we bless – the Communion – a participation in the Blood of Christ?" At the Last Supper Jesus told His disciples, "Do this in remembrance of Me." But as I read Paul's words I saw something more than remembrance, I saw the Power to overcome sin, Power to break the curse and defeat Satan!

Yes, there is significant POWER in the Blood of Christ! In the early years when I was still a pastor, we used to sing great songs about the Blood – many will know the song, 'There's Power, Power, wonder-working Power in the precious Blood of the Lamb'. The significance of the Power of the Blood of Jesus was foreshadowed in the miracle that brought the children of Israel out of slavery in Egypt – which is prophetic of our being brought out of a life of sin into the life of Christ! They had to sacrifice a lamb and put the blood on the doorpost of their houses. Why? Because that night the angel of death was coming to slaughter

the firstborn child of every family living in Egypt. But when the angel of death saw the blood on the doorposts of the Israelites, he passed over and they alone were spared. The Israelites had to remember this every year at Passover and they still do!

We need to come under that same covering of the Blood of Christ as our eternal protection. When we take communion, we are reminding ourselves of the Power of the Blood. Scripture is clear: without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin. Heb 9:22. We cannot have a 'bloodless' Gospel. I'm sorry, you can't! When we take communion, we must remember that it's the Blood of Christ that cleanses us, saves us! The Blood that He shed paid the price of our sin! This is the basic essential of the Gospel! You cannot have salvation without forgiveness, and no forgiveness without the Blood!

I learnt the Power of the Blood from my father. When I was still very young, going to bed at night, I would turn off the light and kneel at my bedside to pray before jumping into bed. One time when I turned the light off to pray it was as if the devil came into the room. I was so frightened, I stopped praying, jumped straight into bed and pulled the bedcovers over me! Next morning I didn't tell anyone, I thought it was a one-off. But the next night when I switched the light off, the same thing happened – the whole room was filled with a fearful sense of Satan's presence! I was so frightened, I simply leaped into bed. So next morning I told my father, and he taught me a strong lesson, he said, "Tonight don't turn the light off – and plead the Blood of Christ!" And I did! The amazing thing was, the moment I began to plead the Blood the devil ran away from me, and I had a powerful night of prayer!

Aged 14, I had a similar experience. We were having a family holiday in Eastbourne on the south coast, and in the evenings I liked to go off alone to pray. I liked to climb Beachy Head, a very steep

chalk cliff which is infamous for the high number of suicides there. But as I went to pray, when I got part-way up, I could not get past a bush, it felt as if a physical barrier stopped me. So, I went back down. The second night I went up and the same thing happened – a strong 'physical' barrier I couldn't cross – it had to be Satan. So I told my Dad, "Satan's trying to stop me praying, what do I do?" He said, "If you go up again and the same thing happens, get on your knees and plead the Power of the Blood." The third night, I still remember, I knelt down and began to plead the Blood, "Satan I command you to go by the Power of the Blood of Jesus!" Immediately the devil left! And I ran up to the top of the hill, praising God for the victory!

Growing up I learnt the Power of the Blood to protect us from evil – and it is the Power that saves us! Let's get back to singing that old song, 'There's Power in the Blood'! There is! It was the shedding of Christ's Blood on the Cross that gives us new life, a sharing and participation in both His death and His resurrection! The communion reminds us! Every time I drink the wine, I declare the Power of His Blood shed for me.

It's so important we take communion. The cup of thanksgiving is a participation in the Blood of Christ. 1 Cor.10:16. It's not just a memory, I take communion because I need that Power in my life, in my ministry, more now than at any time. YES, the devil has always tried to stop me, but every time he does, there is Power in Christ's Blood to defeat him!

I'm challenging you: there are three sources of Power. There's the Power of the Holy Spirit – Power in prayer, and there's Power in the Blood of Christ – released to us through the resurrected Jesus! But without faith, none of this Power will be effective! I may be 94, but I still want MORE faith to use ALL the available Power, in Jesus' Name! Amen!



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UNSTABLE FOUNDATIONS – POOR BUILDING MATERIALS

1 Corinthians 3

Paul had a problem with the church in Corinth. They were still 'babes in Christ' – 1 Cor 3:1. Anyone who has been a parent knows the struggle it is to bring children to maturity – to potty-train them, to train them to eat nicely, to share, and everything else...

When you come to Christ, you leave behind worldly things to live in a 'Christ dimension' – a dimension absolutely new and different from the world we grew up in. That's why Jesus said you've got to be 'born again' – come on! You've got to die to the old, and, like a new-born. Start and learn the basics. That's why Paul says in v2, "I gave you milk and not meat, because you were not able, and you're still not able. You still behave like people in the world..."

Let's face it – many in the church live and speak like the world, like they did before they became a Christian... No difference. The biggest problem in Corinth was the strife, envy and division. But Christ is one! In Him is no division. But some in Corinth were saying, v4, "I follow Paul", and others, "I follow Apollos." That's not of God!

Paul founded the church in Corinth. His conversion from the life of a highly educated and fanatical Pharisee, opposed to Christ and persecuting Christians, was dramatic – the Lord Himself appeared to him on the road to Damascus. Apollos was different. An 'eloquent man, mighty in the Scriptures', he believed in Jesus, and spoke and taught diligently about the things of the Lord but only knew 'the baptism of John' – water baptism for the forgiveness of sin. It seems he didn't know the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. It was two of Paul's co-workers, Priscilla and Aquila, who instructed Apollos 'in the Way of God more perfectly' – Acts 18:24-28 – before recommending him to the Corinthian church in Achaia. But the different experiences of these men are not what matter. Paul says in v5, "Who is Paul? Who is Apollos? Simply ministers by whom you believed!" Men. V6, "I planted, Apollos watered – but it's GOD who gives the increase." It's not Paul, it's not Apollos! It's God.

Still today we too easily follow men more

than Christ! I don't follow men, even though I grew up in the days of some very great Pentecostal leaders in Britain – among them Evangelist George Jeffreys, Smith Wigglesworth. When I was born Jeffreys wanted to adopt me as his son. No, I don't want to follow any man. I want to follow Jesus. Come on! I want to do what Jesus said, I want to do what He told his disciples to do – preach the Gospel, heal the sick. My power doesn't come because somebody laid hands on me; my power comes because God touched me! The evidence is there, in my life.

So v7, it's neither Paul who planted, nor Apollos who watered, it's God Himself who gives the increase! The Power comes from Him! Paul says, v8, "He that plants and he that waters are one, and every man shall receive his own reward according to his work, what he has done." Now this is a very important point. There is a reward in the Kingdom, but the reward depends on what you do for Christ.

Paul explains, v9ff, "We are labourers together with God... you are God's building." It's God who makes us who we are, it's God who builds us. "According to the Grace of God given to me, I am the masterbuilder, I laid the foundation, and another builds on it." Very simple. The evangelist lays the foundation, which is Christ, but then you need another to build on that foundation. But if the foundation isn't right – *and this is what Jesus taught* – if you build your house on sand, it will collapse. You've got to build on rock!

Sixty years ago, when I launched out in faith to work full-time in Israel and the communist bloc, the first thing I did was, by faith, build myself a house on a steep hillside – and I still live in it. It's the best-built house in my road. Why? I called in an architect to lay the foundation. My house is built 'on the rock' – on a concrete foundation. And I built on that foundation. Houses near me have had a lot of trouble over the years, some have subsidence, some frequently flood, but my house was built on the right foundation! I thank God for the architect and the incredible foundation!

It's the same in Christ. The foundation of our Christian life is Christ Himself and the Word of God. But now Paul says, "Let

every man take heed how he builds on that foundation"! What a challenge to leaders and pastors – and today's influencers! V11, "There is no other foundation can be laid except Jesus Christ" – not some preacher, not Paul, not even David Hathaway! Come on! It has to be Christ who is the foundation on which our Christian lives are built!

You've then got to be careful how and what you build on that foundation, v12. Here we need to get back to the Bible – Biblical truth, Holy Spirit wisdom, and a life of service to the Will of God. Not man-pleasing or self-centred – literally living for Jesus. Our highest calling is to be faithful servants. Aged 15 Jesus called me to surrender everything to Him. From that moment on He took complete control so that, for nearly 80 years, my whole life has been planned, every detail, exact timing, by Someone who knew my abilities and gave me the faith by which I could live! And for you, it means to be a vessel He can use according to YOUR faith and ability

When I grew up, I was taught that there's a reward in the Kingdom for faithfulness! Down here we're building a home for ourselves in Heaven – for the whole of eternity! Some build not with valuable, sustainable service but with wood, hay, stubble: it will be tested by FIRE and won't last in Eternity! Jesus said, "What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses his soul?" I don't want riches or fame down here. You can be the richest, most powerful man on earth – Putin or Donald Trump, whoever. But in Eternity it's gone!

If our work is burned, v15, we will suffer loss, but we ourselves will be saved – if our foundation is Christ! What you do after salvation – is tested by FIRE. Everything you build for your own profit and gain will be burned up. V16, "Don't you know that you are the Temple, the House of God? ... If any man defiles the Temple of God, God will destroy him, for God is Holy, and you are His Temple"!!!

Even leaders in the Church can find their work destroyed, and they're only saved as out of the fire. Church, imagine your reaction if your house were burned down! But, v23, "You are Christ's and Christ is God's"! Be faithful.

THE GOSPEL IS SIMPLE -

1 Corinthians 2

I don't read anywhere in the New Testament that BEFORE Jesus or the Apostles could minister freely somewhere, they engaged in 'spiritual warfare', binding demons. Talking to our Heavenly Father, yes. Seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit, yes. The promise of the Father is that when we receive the Holy Spirit like Jesus and the Apostles did, we receive power to become Christ's witnesses, anywhere on earth, wherever He calls us – Acts 1:4-5,8! It's simple. Because, through Jesus, by the Spirit, we have DIRECT access to the Father – Eph 2:18!

Paul, writing to the believers in the pagan city of Corinth, said, 1 Cor 2:1ff, "When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you, except Jesus Christ and Him crucified." That's a powerful statement! I'm sorry to say, today our preachers preach all sorts of things that I would question...

But Paul is very simple. Though he was a highly educated Jew with Roman citizenship from the city of Tarsus in Asia Minor, though he was a Pharisee, trained to a very high degree in Jewish Scripture, theology, teachings and traditions, and equipped with much 'eloquence and superior wisdom' from his studies in Jerusalem – when he came to these Corinthians, he came very simply, resolved to know and preach nothing else but Christ and His Crucifixion.

This is a challenge to the Church today, because I fear we've gone far away from the basics. Being an evangelist, I need to stick to basics. In my 76 years of ministry, I've ministered to all sorts of people. In the earlier years under communism, I was dealing with people who knew NOTHING about the Bible. Can you imagine? In the Soviet Union there were no Bibles! Churches that did exist and that were preaching the Truth, were persecuted, forced 'underground' and illegal. The vast majority of the population had no knowledge at all of the Bible! That's why I spent those early years smuggling Bibles – 2 tonnes at a time – because even church members only had access to hand-copied pages! I have one such precious page beautifully mounted on a piece of varnished wood in my home! Given to me in exchange for a full Bible with its cheap plastic cover!

I remember how the Bible smuggling started. I was taking tourists by bus from

Britain to Jerusalem. To cross Bulgaria, we had to pick up a state-appointed guide. On one trip, let's call our guide Maria, her job was to convince everyone on the bus that life under communism was better than in the free West... But when Maria realised my bus wasn't bugged, she opened up, told the truth about life under communism – and she was the first to beg me to bring her a Bible. I still find it strange in this 21st century, with the Russian aggressor invading Ukraine, that Russians are still taught that life in Russia is better than Ukraine's, and better than ours! Yes, there's a lot at fault in the West, but not to the extent to think that what Putin offers is better...

The best way of life is the life we have in Christ! So Paul, despite his great learning, resolved to bring to the pagan city of Corinth nothing but Christ and Him crucified! We need to come back to this simple Gospel! To be ordained as a pastor, I had to study for 5 years; and some years ago I was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity, but not for study – for my life's work as an evangelist. Because our message is simple. Christ crucified.

Paul is saying, he didn't come as a talented speaker, but, 1 Cor 2:3, he came 'in weakness and fear and much trembling'. Why? Perhaps because here in pagan Corinth, Paul is also facing up to educated Orthodox Jews, trained in religion as he had been, who rejected the crucified Messiah and persecuted His followers. So he comes 'in weakness'; he wants to present something he hadn't been brought up with, that he himself had violently rejected, but is more powerful than anything he'd ever known. He didn't use wise and persuasive words. No, he came with a demonstration of the Spirit's Power! Why? So that their faith might not rest on men's wisdom but on God's Power!

We need a practical demonstration of God's Power. Not just words. I was a pastor for 15 years. One day God said to me, "I'm tired of listening to you. Stop talking. Go out and DO what you tell THEM to do. And don't come back until you've done it!" That's why I've spent 60 years of my life 'out there', doing it. And I'm still doing it!

I take the Book literally. I want to do what the Word of God says. Jesus commanded His disciples, preach the Gospel, heal the sick, raise the dead! That's what I've been doing. Everywhere I go I preach the Gospel, heal the sick, bind the devil's power – simply by preaching Christ. I've seen the most incredible

demonstration of the Spirit's Power. Has anyone seen anything like it? So many miracles of healing. And so many have come into full-time ministry just because they've seen and experienced the demonstration of God's Power.

And not just miracles of healing. When we've been preaching in open air stadiums, at least 12 times storms have come; every time I've taken authority in Jesus' Name – and the storms have stopped. I've confronted demons literally coming to attack me and stop the meetings. One time a shaman (Siberian witch doctor), was struck to the ground in front of me by his own electric thunderstorm.

In 1994, when I held 3-months' evangelism in Siberia and the Russian Far East, we lived by miracles every day. When we needed transport, airplanes, money, food, we prayed and God provided. It was 3 months of the greatest miracles ever seen! I don't think anyone has ever seen in their lifetime what we saw in just 3 months. In 2017 an advisor to Putin said privately to me and then publicly on television that those years preaching the Gospel in the aftermath of the collapse of the Soviet Union in the 1990s (when we reached almost 80% of the whole nation with the live demonstration of the Spirit's Power), this Gospel saved Russia from total chaos at that time.

Come on! Actions speak louder than words! So, Paul says to the people of Corinth, "I came to you in weakness and fear, with much trembling. My preaching was not with human wisdom and persuasive rhetoric, but in demonstration of GOD'S Power, through the Holy Spirit." That's what I seek to do. It's what we all must seek to do. When I'm speaking with people of other religions or people with no religion – what changes them is not MY preaching, MY words, it's the demonstration of GOD'S Power!

Last year in a Moslem village in Georgia, the director of the hall wouldn't let the people in to hear me. But some still came, and when I began to pray for healing the director, who was sick, was also miraculously healed! She was so changed, she said, "Next time you come, I will bring 500 people to listen to you!" Why? It wasn't my words. It was God's Power! Wake up! It's not words, it's action! That's what Paul is saying, there HAS to be a demonstration of the Spirit's Power so that people's faith will not be dependent on human wisdom and words, but on God.

AND IT'S POWERFUL



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My faith is not built on what I was taught in Bible College, nor on what I heard from preachers. My faith is built on God's Power shown in the Bible, and on the demonstration that God answers prayer and has Power on earth today.

But then Paul goes on in v6, "We do however speak a message of wisdom among the mature. Not with the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who themselves are coming to nothing..." Our governments, our rulers today are confused. Their 'wisdom' comes to nothing! Instead, Paul says, v7ff, "We speak God's secret wisdom, a wisdom that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began. None of the rulers of this age" – *listen to what Paul is saying here* – "none of the rulers of this world understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory!"

If the rulers of this world had understood the message and power that Jesus was offering and bringing, would they have crucified Him? They would have welcomed Him! But they beat Him and scorned Him, and on the cross they wrote mockingly, "King of the Jews"! They rejected Him! But He is King. Paul wrote this 2000 years ago, but life here on earth doesn't change all that much!!!

The Truth is as Paul wrote, v9, "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him."

If only we understood! Our Kingdom is NOT of this world. Our hope is NOT in this world. Our hope isn't in politicians, it isn't

in money. The riches of this world are absolutely nothing. I want to say this to some so-called wealthy preachers: 'What will a man gain if he gains the whole world and loses his own soul?' You can be president, you can be the richest man on earth, but you gain nothing – it will last you a few years, but you will lose the whole of Eternity. Though we may not have riches here, in Christ we have riches in Eternity! Our hope, our glory is IN HIM, in the future. No eye has seen, no ear has heard what God has prepared – in the future, in Glory – for us!

Paul continues, v10, this wisdom, which is hidden from the world, God has revealed it to us by His Spirit, because the Spirit knows all things, even the deep things of God. "For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man's spirit within him?" Who among us understands other people?! I certainly don't! Who can understand what other people think and why they do what they do? Only the man himself.

And so, Paul says, v11ff, "No one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God..." Ah ha, "But we have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we may understand what God has freely given us!" This is where all the Bible colleges in the world, all the teachings and doctrines of the churches fail us. Paul says, v13ff, "What we speak is not words taught by human wisdom, but by the Spirit... The man who doesn't have the Spirit doesn't accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, he cannot understand them, because they have to be spiritu-

ally discerned."

Human beings do not understand the things of God. They don't! To the world, the teachings of Christ are foolish. But when we have the Holy Spirit, HE explains and reveals the Truth to us, so that a spiritual man, v15, is able to make judgements about all things. We HAVE to have the Holy Spirit! It is the Holy Spirit within us who reveals the mind of God!

Come on! I need the Holy Spirit to reveal to me what God's Will and Plan are! This doesn't come through the teaching of men. What I have and what I do come directly from the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God. He knows the mind of God. You and I – we don't know the mind of God. The Holy Spirit does, and will reveal it to us!

V16, "Who has known the mind of the Lord that he may instruct Him?" We cannot instruct God, His ways are above ours, we cannot tell God what to do, we cannot command the Holy Spirit. But we need to have the mind of Christ in order to know the Will of God. Like a married couple in love for many years, the wife doesn't have to ask the husband every day, what do you want? She knows what he wants. If you are not close enough to the Lord to know what He wants, then get close, get a stronger relationship with Him! Because when we live in contact with Him through the Holy Spirit, we will have the mind of Christ!

O Lord, that educated man, Paul, had nothing until he came to know YOU. Give us Your Holy Spirit that we might have the mind of Christ and DO Your Will. Amen.

WHOM GOD HAS BLESSED, NO MAN CAN CURSE

David Hathaway to Ukraine 29 March 2026, during united prayer for the nation

Ukraine is a miracle. I thank God for your military, your President and leaders, but the greatest miracle in Ukraine is what God has done in answer to prayer! There is no other nation in the world that prays as Ukraine does, bringing together every Christian confession to call on the Name of the Lord. 2 Chronicles 7:14.

I was with you under communism then in the 1990s when the freedom first came, I was with you through all the struggles that followed and, in 2014, when Russia seized Crimea and occupied parts of East Ukraine. The fighting didn't stop. But I saw God would change everything if we would unite in prayer. I said very clearly, "If as Christians we unite on two things – one, that Salvation is only in the Name of Jesus, and two, that the Bible is the only authority in the Church – God will answer you." Preparations began in 2015. From 2016, including during Covid and throughout the full-scale Russian invasion, every year we have held United National Days of Prayer.

God has a special message for Ukraine today, 29 March. God wants to work a miracle in Ukraine because He wants to demonstrate what happens when we pray! United prayer has brought the nation together in a time of war. God says THIS in Deuteronomy 4:29, 'If from where you are' – *in your distress, in your fear, in war* – 'if you will seek the Lord your God, you will find Him!' In your time of greatest distress, if you will seek the Lord, you will find Him! You will! I have demonstrated this in my own life, healed miraculously of two cancers and released from a communist prison. I called on the Lord in my distress and He answered me!

Moses challenged Israel, Deuteronomy 4:33ff, "Has any other nation seen the Power that you have seen, or heard the Voice of God out of fire – war – as you have heard and lived? Or has God as-sayed to take for Himself a nation out of another nation – *out of Russia* – by temptations, by signs, by wonders, by war, by a Mighty Hand and Stretched-out Arm and by great terrors – *as the Lord did*

for Israel out of Egypt?!!! The miracle is that through war, Ukraine is stronger now than at any time in her history!

The challenge to Ukraine, and the world, is this: 'This was shown that you might know that the Lord is God and there is no one else besides Him.' Deuteronomy 4:35. So that Ukraine, who has trusted in God, might know who He is, that He is God, that no one else can work the miracles He has worked in Ukraine. He chose Ukraine to drive out a greater and mightier nation! When Russia started the war, Russia was reckoned the 2nd most powerful nation in the world! This is the amazing thing: *Ukraine, with a fraction of Russia's population and with no military resources, you have driven out a greater, mightier nation! Today you have the most advanced modern military in the world! GOD has given you THIS land, UKRAINE, the occupied territories and Crimea, as YOUR inheritance, THIS is happening now!*

In the communist prison, I was given the true story of Marco Polo's Travels to read in English. With the Chinese Emperor they came to a village, to a small group of Christians. The Khan was about to kill them – it was almost as if God stopped him, as He has stopped so many of the things Russia has tried to do in Ukraine. Instead, the Khan challenged them, "Your Bible says if you believe, you can command a mountain to move. Outside this village is a mountain. I give you 3 days to move that mountain. If your Bible is true, you will live, if not you will die." For 2 days they prayed – no answer. Those villagers were just humble folk, not great evangelists, pastors or leaders. But on the 3rd day when they were about to die, in front of the Emperor, they commanded the mountain to move – and that mountain moved! Reading THIS in a condemned cell changed my life!!!

Ukraine, for 4 years, you have faced a mountain – God will give you the victory, because He has the Power!

Jesus opened His ministry saying, Luke 4:18, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach Good News to the poor, He's sent Me to

heal the broken-hearted, to bring deliverance to the captives."

Ukraine, this is His message to you today. His message is resurrection! Yes, He died, but He rose from the dead. Every one of us must die, but for ALL who put their trust in Him, there is resurrection! Ukraine, you are facing a day of resurrection, you have a future in your Messiah, the risen Jesus.

Ukraine, look to your future, look what God has promised in His Word for you! New hope, new life! Yes, I know you are suffering, I have seen with my own eyes what your enemy has done to you; I understand the pain. But God is greater than Russia. God is using you to defeat an enemy so powerful, it is not humanly possible to do this. Who believed Ukraine would survive? But God put a vision and a strength in you. He wants to demonstrate His Power to defeat evil – through you! Even this year, in the coming weeks and months, you will witness the collapse of the enemy, and you will be victorious. BUT, when God gives you the victory – give HIM the Glory! You must be a witness and a testimony to the world of what God alone can do.

Ukraine, you have prayed in unity. God cannot fail you. Balaam in the Old Testament, when he was paid to curse Israel, had to say, "God always does what He says – whom God has blessed, no man can curse." Ukraine, God has blessed your nation, no man can curse you. As a nation, acknowledge Him!

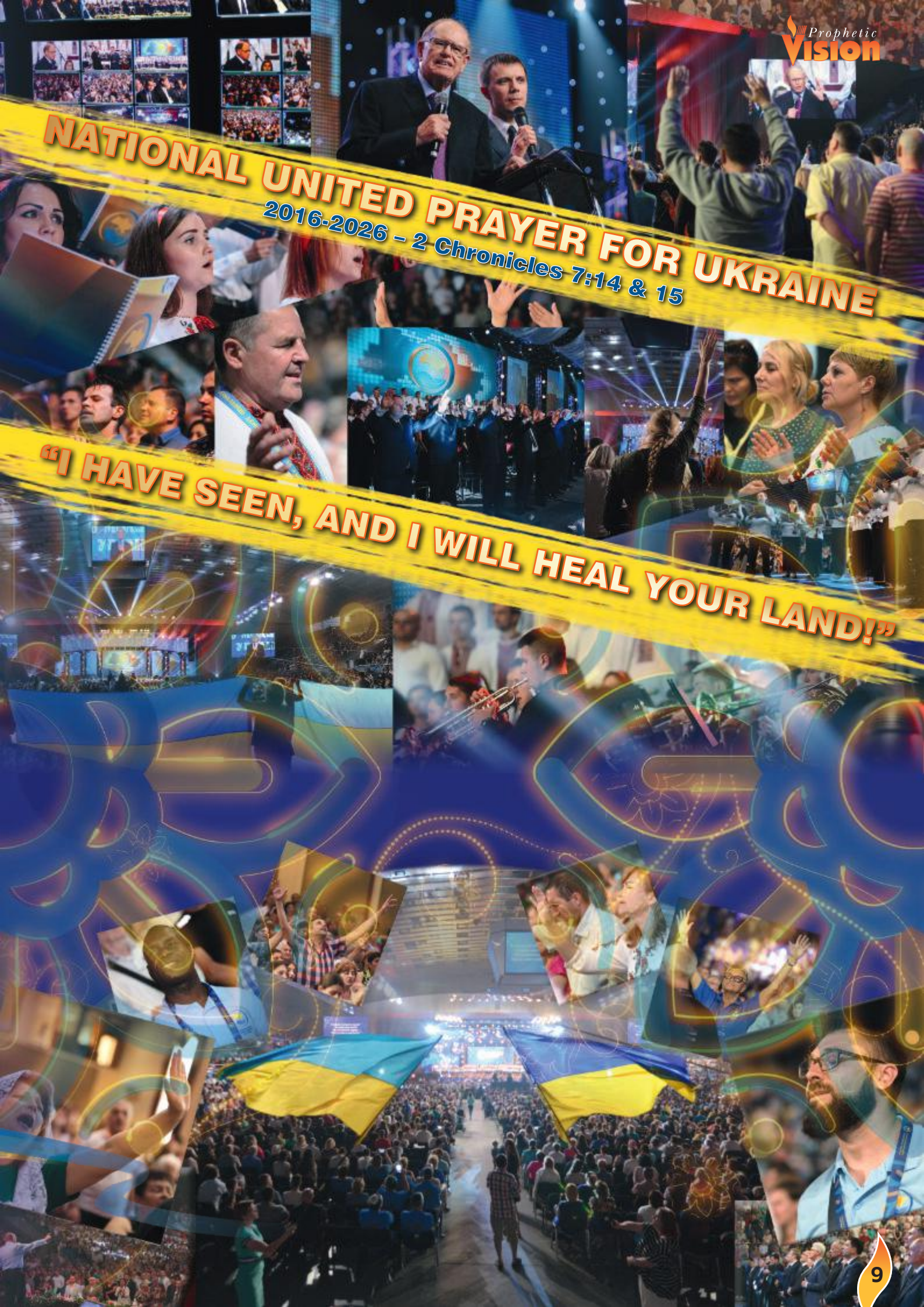
As individuals, receive His Salvation, receive His Forgiveness. The message Jesus preached from the beginning is simple: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me. He has anointed Me to preach Good News to the poor. He sent Me to heal the broken-hearted and deliverance to the captives." This same Jesus is with you, to bring Good News to the poor, to heal those who, through the war, are broken-hearted, deliverance to the captives. He wants to raise you up to be a nation of blessing and power, a demonstration to the world of who He is. God loves you. He is with you. He will never forsake you. Amen.



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2016-2026 - 2 Chronicles 7:14 & 15

"I HAVE SEEN, AND I WILL HEAL YOUR LAND!"



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2 Corinthians 3/4/5

I stand by a famous poem, written by Minnie Louise Haskins in the turbulent years between the First and Second World Wars. Our King, addressing the British Commonwealth in 1939 when Britain and her Empire stood alone against Nazi Germany, concluded his Christmas and New Year message with this poem: 'I said to the One who stood at the Gate of the Year: "Give me a light that I may tread safely into the Unknown." And he replied, "Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the Hand of God. That shall be to you better than a light and safer than a known way." So I went forth gladly into the night. And He led me towards the hills and the breaking of Day...'

This is so applicable to us all today. For myself, in 2025, I was looking back over 75 years of full-time ministry. But we've got to stop looking back. I'm looking AHEAD to the coming years, to the responsibility and ministry in front of me. Paul says, Phil 3:13-14: 'Forget those things that are behind... press forward to the goal, to the prize, to the high calling of God!'

2 Corinthians 4:1 says – *and this message is for you and for me* – "Wherefore, seeing we have this ministry, seeing we have received mercy, **we faint not.**" We have received mercy, we have received a ministry – **so we must not be afraid,**

we must not faint when we look at the enormity of the task in front! I must not faint when I look at the enormous task that is still in front of me in my ministry.

Paul says, v3-4, the devil hides the Gospel from the lost and has blinded them, lest the Light of the glorious Gospel of Christ shine on them... But this is the Light we are called to bring to this dark world!

For us, v5ff, the reality is, we preach not ourselves, but Christ, for whose sake we are servants. God has commanded the Light to shine out of darkness, He has shined His Light IN US. It's the Light of the knowledge of the Glory of God in the Face of Jesus Christ! This Treasure is IN US who are just 'earthen vessels'. We have a Treasure IN US, which is our Faith and experience in Christ. No, we don't need to boast and to commend ourselves, we don't need 'letters of recommendation from men' – we have the precious 'letter' of Christ written in our hearts by the Spirit of the Living God, 2 Cor. 3:1-3. Yes, in 75 years' full-time ministry I have had a phenomenal witness and experience of Christ in my life!

But we are 'earthen vessels'. Clay, pottery. Fragile, easily broken. It's so that the 'excellency of the Power' in us can be seen to be from God. It's NOT what we are and who we are, it's NOT us! It's who Christ is! We have to give Him the Glory and the Honour in all things! To God be the Glory!

2025 was a very troubled year. A year of instability, insecurity, anxiety, suffering, sickness, loss of loved ones. Many faced war. I think particularly of Ukraine. But not only Ukraine, countries all around the world are living in a state of war or under threat of war, in chaos. 2026 is more of the same. Paul, in the early years after Christ, writes of his own experience, 2 Cor 4:8ff, "We're troubled on every side, but I'm not distressed." *NO, in the midst of trouble we should NOT be distressed, because we have hope!* "Perplexed, but not in despair. Persecuted, but not forsaken. Cast down but not destroyed. Though we bear in our bodies the dying of the Lord Jesus, it's so that the Life of Jesus can be manifest in our body!" In other words, **we must constantly die to self so that the Glory of Christ may be seen in us!**

There are times we have to go through suffering. My life's never been easy. I've been miraculously healed of cancer twice, and through that, Christ got the Glory! I was in prison for Christ's sake. As I have done, some of you have been in prison or suffered for His sake. But like Paul, we're not forsaken, we're not destroyed, so that through it all, whatever the difficulty, even if it be death, Christ might get the Glory! Yes. Persecuted, but not forsaken. Cast down but not destroyed. Dying to self, we live for Christ! For where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty, 2 Cor 3:17! The Power is

OK AHEAD!

David Hathaway

His! And we need to let the Glory of the Lord be seen in us.

2 Cor 5:1ff – *this is the message we need in these uncertain times*: we know that if our 'earthly house be dissolved' – that is, if we die – then we have a 'building', a 'house not made with hands', one built by God in Heaven. Our eternal future is in Heaven! Our Kingdom is not of this world! NOT under the politics and governance of this world. Our Kingdom is in Christ, in Heaven!

Whatever the past, good or bad, our Glory is in the future! I'm not looking at my past, I'm looking at the future, when we're going to be with Jesus! Yes, Paul says as we wait for this, we groan, we're burdened, waiting to be clothed in the 'house' God has made for us in Heaven. Our future is secure in Christ – 2 Cor 5:17 – 'If any man is in Christ, he is a new creature, a new creation – all the old things have passed away, and everything has become new.'

In Christ, we don't just wait until we die and so enter the Kingdom; what we WILL have in Christ, we have NOW! The old creature, the old 'you' is dead. That's why we're baptised in water, symbolising death to the old life, the old nature. To the ruler who came to Jesus at night, wanting to know how to get into the Kingdom, Jesus replied, "You must be born again, born from Above." The past is gone! We have the opportunity to take advantage of the days still ahead of us!

In April, I turned 94, but I'm not looking at the past, I'm looking at the hopes, all the possibilities, all the things you and I are going to achieve in the future! I'm filled with a new vision, I feel that the Lord is giving me a whole new job to do, a whole future to move into. What I've done in the past is over, but I'm looking ahead with anticipation at what I'm going to do in the coming years. I'm serious! My job is not yet finished.

In Christ I'm a new creature, I'm strong and full of energy, I have eternal life NOW. Because, when we come to Christ, we receive the eternal life Christ has – NOW. Jesus is not dead, He's alive – with Power! He's in Heaven, but He's one with us! In Him we have a life that cannot die. Yes, my wife died, she fell asleep 11 years ago; my elder brother, my sister, my parents, all have fallen

asleep in Jesus... But they are only asleep until the Day of our bodily resurrection! When we will rise together with those who 'sleep'! Oh, the Glory of the Coming Kingdom!

I want to challenge – and encourage you. We're not called to a life of ease and comfort. Nor was Christ. We're called into a life of service. Paul says we're 'ambassadors' for Christ, 2 Cor 5:20. I'm no bishop or archbishop, I have no earthly titles. But we're all called to be ambassadors of Christ. If you are an ambassador of a small country, you don't carry much authority. But if you're the ambassador of a nation like America or Britain, France or Germany, then you have power and influence! It's not who you are, it's the country you represent. It's the same for us. We're ambassadors of the Kingdom of Christ – the most powerful Kingdom on earth, in the universe!

This is a responsibility! In these later years of my life, I want to move into the Power and the Authority that I have! The older I get, the more I understand the importance of who Christ is, the Power that He has. Jesus is coming to rule the world! For 1000 years. But His Kingdom is eternal, it has no end. His Power is unlimited. And you and I are ambassadors of this Kingdom!!!

This gives us tremendous authority in the dark and fallen world in which we live! This was true all those years ago when I was working under communism, that cruel atheistic regime that denied God, tormented its citizens and persecuted Christian believers. People in authority, hardened communists, recognised the authority that I had, and gave in to me and submitted to me – because they saw I was acting under a greater authority. In strength. NO, not as one lording it over them in my human strength, but as a servant of Christ. We must act in THIS Power – because behind us is the greatest Power, the Power of God to whom NOTHING is impossible!

I learned to exercise that Power. About 12 times when I was evangelising in the open air, when storms came, I commanded them to stop in Jesus' Name – and they did! In 2016 I took the Roman Amphitheatre in Caesarea. A storm blew up more powerful than any that they had ever witnessed on that part of the Mediterranean coast. So dangerous, they were refusing to allow our

evangelism to go ahead. But when I took the authority that I have in Christ, the storm stopped instantly!

We have this same authority over sin and sickness. We can rebuke sin, we can rebuke sickness. We can promise to the deepest sinner the hope of new life, that if he repents and calls on the Name of the Lord, he can die to the old and be born again, new, into Christ's Kingdom! He will be saved. We say one sin is bigger than another. NO, but ALL have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God. Scripture says, if you commit one sin, you're guilty of them all.

I spent a year in a communist prison, first in the pre-trial detention centre, then in a high-security labour camp. I shared my cell with drug smugglers, criminals of every kind, my best friend was a murderer. But I didn't see them as criminals, I saw them, not as criminals, but as men for whom Christ died! He loved them enough to die for them – to die for you, and you're no saint and nor am I. We've all sinned. We all need salvation. Christ died to forgive sin and give us a hope for the future. And we're being changed into His Image, from Glory to Glory, by the working of the Holy Spirit, 2 Cor 3:18. Look at all the possibilities and opportunities God is giving us in Christ!

"Therefore," Paul writes in 2 Cor 4:1, "seeing we have this ministry and this mercy, we don't faint!" We have a ministry, we have Power, whatever we face! The challenge we have, whatever problems we have – whether it's persecution, suffering or war – we should not be cast down, but rise above it and live in victory! I'm challenging you in your life – rise above the difficulties, overcome them, don't live in defeat. Live in the Power that is in Christ Jesus!

Paul writes in 2 Cor 4:13ff, "Having this spirit of faith, I have believed and I have spoken." I echo this: in my life I have believed and I have experienced the working of God's Power. I have a powerful testimony of what God has done. That's why I preach, that's why I testify, that's why I'm not yet ready to die, because I still have a job down here to do – knowing that He that raised Jesus from the dead will raise us up on that Final Day! We have such Hope, such Power, such Blessing!

Thanks be to God who always causes us to triumph in Christ! 2 Cor 2:14.



JESUS DEMONSTRATES LEADERSHIP!

David Hathaway

Matthew 9/10

We have a simple Gospel – don't complicate it. Jesus called 12 disciples and gave them power over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness, saying, "Go tell them, 'The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand'." Matt 10:1,7. He said this in difficult times, in a troubled society, where the Jews were divided amongst themselves, and Rome controlled the whole of Israel. His fame was spreading fast across the land, Matt 9:26, because people were looking for a leader, a Messiah, to save them – and because He healed them.

Today people are looking for leadership, for direction, for purpose. People are drifting, many don't like the leaders they see, particularly in politics. But many will follow a strong leader even if he's wrong – like Hitler, now Putin and others. Today there's a lack of fathers in the family, the youth are searching for strong leadership. Jesus is a strong leader with a clear purpose – that's why, in my youth, I chose to follow Him. That's why today in Britain the sale of Bibles has soared to a record high. Because young people, 'Gen Z', don't find any answer in the world. But they will follow a leader – if that leader is right! And Jesus is the one, the only one! **A leader moved with compassion for people!**

In Central Asia, every year, I'm speaking to 2000 young people from up to 22 countries who come together in one place to hear more of Jesus and to see the present-day miracles. They know that's how I live and they go back home on fire to put it into practice for themselves.

In Matt 9:27, two blind men, hearing of all the miracles Jesus had done, followed Him into the house where He was, crying out, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" Though blind, they recognised the prophetic significance of who He is. Jesus saw their faith, touched their eyes and their eyes were opened, and, although Jesus forbade them to do it, they told everyone everywhere, this is the promised Messiah! They had seen the evidence!

Matt 9:35 says, Jesus went through all the cities and villages, teaching in

the synagogues, preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom and healing every sickness and disease among the people. Matt 9:36ff says, 'When He saw the multitudes He was moved with compassion – *one translation says 'His heart was melted'* – because they were scattered abroad as sheep with no shepherd.' Yes, these people had leadership in their synagogues, and, despite the internal rifts between the Pharisees and Sadducees, leadership from the Sanhedrin (*the overall governing religious body*). But Jesus knew that there was no reality in their message, robbing widows, the blind leading the blind. Jesus demonstrated who He was by the miracles and the multitudes followed Him!

Where is that leadership today in our churches? In 1972-3 when I was in a communist prison, holed up with 3,000 common criminals – I never condemned them. I learned to love them because I saw in them men for whom Christ died, I saw who they could be in Him! After my release, my Church Denomination didn't want me to go back to those communist lands, they said, "You can't, you have a wife and family! You've got responsibilities here at home..." But I saw those criminals as Jesus saw them, people God loved so much, He sent His Son to die for them. I saw them as men who would become the evangelists and pastors in the revival which, in the 1990s, did in fact sweep the whole Soviet Union! **Power for those who will demonstrate real leadership!**

Jesus lived among ordinary, sinful people. He didn't condemn or despise them, He came to offer healing, salvation, forgiveness. The Power of the Gospel lies in forgiveness. Jesus said, "FORGIVE!" He called Twelve to follow Him, to do what He did, "Go to the LOST sheep!" Matt 10:6. Can you understand? The Jews were a religious nation, but Jesus called them the LOST! He said, v7, "Preach the Gospel, the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!" Jesus' focus here is not to talk about the evils of this world, of the Jews, of the Roman conquerors, but to preach His Coming Kingdom. His focus was so strong, that when, in Acts 1:4ff, He tells His disciples to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit, they really expected that this would be the time when Jesus would restore the Kingdom of God on earth! Jesus

said, no, not now, but **you will receive Power to preach the Gospel – even to the ends of the earth!**

The early Church grew up in the firm expectation of the near return of Christ. The fact that He's delayed for 2000 years doesn't diminish the power of the promise nor the power of the message that He gave, "Go preach, saying the Kingdom of God is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils. Freely you have received, freely give." Give! He said, "You don't have to provide the money, or take extra coats, shoes or anything... What I tell you in darkness, speak in light... And don't fear those who can kill the body but are not able to kill the soul; fear Him, who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." Matt 10:7ff,26ff. **Jesus is offering a Gospel that changes, rescues men.**

I'll never forget the simplicity of this Gospel when I was invited to preach in a high-security prison in Siberia in 1994. They allowed 30 minutes for worship, then I was to speak. The commanding officer told me, "200 of these men are serial murderers, 400 are serious sex offenders, the other 800 men are criminals of every kind. I beat them, I shoot them. What can your God do to change these men?" He could only offer brutality, no change. But Jesus brings life! I called on the Lord to tell me what to say. I preached love and forgiveness, a Gospel of change and power. The world today talks about violence, brutality, punishment. But I called on those men to repent. When I had finished, all 1400 men were on their knees, and the guards with them too – crying out for God's forgiveness! The miracle was so great, 140 of those men, when they were released, became pastors and evangelists. And 30 years later they're still working, still preaching Christ in the prisons in the Far east of Russia!

Christian leader, preach the Gospel. God offers a message of hope, of love, of power to forgive sin, power to heal the sick. You see, God gives us Power! Jesus today has more Power on earth, more Authority, than any ruler or emperor! His Power is not to coerce and control, not to punish and destroy, but to bring healing and salvation of both body and soul. Reach out to Jesus! The Power is in His Gospel!

YOU CAN HAVE GREATER POWER!

David Hathaway

Matthew 3:5/8-10/Acts 1:8

I'm seeing the Bible quite differently these days – it's coming into a new perspective and I'm seeing things even at my age that I've never seen before. I'm seeing something in Matthew, that is so significant for the Church today. It's challenging me, and I hope it challenges you, to examine exactly what we actually believe and do...

In Matt 3:11 we find John the Baptist preaching repentance in the wilderness. It's the beginning of his ministry. He says to the crowds, 3:11, "I baptise you with water for repentance, but He that is coming after me is more powerful than I... He will baptise you with the Holy Ghost and Fire!"

Then in Matt 3:13ff, Jesus comes from Galilee to be baptised in the Jordan by John. As He comes up out of the water, the Holy Spirit comes down on Him and a Voice from Heaven announces, "This is My Beloved Son."

But Jesus does not commence His ministry straightaway; it struck me that, at this point, John is still the minister, the evangelist, not Jesus, and Jesus is led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. Matt 4:1.

But then, by 4:12, Jesus hears that John has been put in prison, his ministry is ended, his work done. Jesus recognises this, leaves Nazareth where He grew up and moves to Capernaum by the Sea of Galilee, so that prophecy would be fulfilled that 'the people by the sea that were in darkness have seen a great light'. And immediately, 4:17, Jesus starts His ministry and begins to preach – in POWER. I'm intrigued by this whole sequence from John to Jesus!

Jesus' first message is simply: "Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand" – repentance and the Kingdom! Repent – because the Kingdom of God is coming! Jesus calls the first of His disciples – no miracles yet – and they follow Him. Now He goes all about Galilee, teaching, preach-

ing the Gospel of the Kingdom, healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people! 4:23.

He's preaching in a country overrun by foreign empires for hundreds of years – they're used to being ruled by the Greeks, they're used to being ruled by the Romans – but Jesus is preaching a totally different kind of kingdom!

Seeing the multitudes, Jesus goes up the mountain and begins to teach them, Matt 5,6 &7. He's on that mountain a long time! It's not until Ch 8 that He comes down – still followed by great multitudes, and from here on, Matthew records a whole series of miracles, including the miracle of the sinking ship in 8:23 where Jesus calms the storm and the disciples marvel, "What kind of a man is this that even the winds and the sea obey Him?" John the Baptist saw many come for repentance but never saw this kind of miracle – it's what he prophesied when he said, after him would come someone more powerful! And here He is! Jesus!

We now come to Matt 9:1ff, where they bring a man to Jesus, paralysed and lying on a bed. You know the story: Jesus says to the sick man, "Your sins are forgiven you." John the Baptist never could say that, because, as the religious leaders knew, no man can forgive sin, only God. So now, to prove that He, the Son of man, has POWER ON EARTH TO FORGIVE SIN – Jesus healed the man, saying, "Get up and go home!" The paralysed man did exactly that, picked up his bed and went – and the crowds that saw it marvelled and glorified God that He had given such POWER unto men!!!

John emphasised that the man coming after him would have MORE POWER than him. Jesus demonstrated this when He healed the paralysed man, saying, "So that you may know that I HAVE POWER ON EARTH..." God may have Power in Heaven – but He has given this Power to

His Son ON EARTH! Power demonstrated, not by saying, "Your sins are forgiven", but by healing the dying man! It was the healing that confirmed His POWER to forgive sin. So right here, in the early days of His ministry, Jesus has demonstrated, "I HAVE POWER TO FORGIVE SIN." Power that God alone has.

Now something significant begins to happen. In Matt 10:1 Jesus calls the Twelve and sends them out, giving THEM the POWER to cast out unclean spirits and to heal all manner of sickness and disease...

People don't understand what distinguishes Christianity from any other religion – it's GOD'S POWER given to men! The whole message of the Gospel, the whole message of the New Testament is POWER! It's not prophecy, that's the message of the Old Testament. The message of the New Testament is POWER. GOD'S Power. Jesus gave the Twelve Power. They hadn't yet received the Holy Spirit, but they had received Power.

It traces back to John the Baptist, who prophesied of Jesus, that the One who is coming will have more Power than him. We see from the beginning of His ministry, Jesus has POWER from God to forgive sin and to heal the sick. In Matt 10:1 He commissions His disciples – in preparation for when He's gone. The final message of Jesus to the disciples, after the crucifixion, after the resurrection, when His ministry is finished, is this in Acts 1:8, "You will receive POWER, after the Holy Spirit is come on you and you will be My witnesses to the ends of the earth..."

When John was in prison, Jesus took over. When Jesus ascended to Heaven, the disciples took over. John the Baptist said, Jesus will be greater than I; Jesus said, the same works that I do, you will do and greater. Where is that Greater Power today?

I grew up in the early days of the Pentecostal revival in Britain. All my life I've sensed that there's more POWER than even the great ministers I grew up with had. I received the Holy Spirit when I was still 14, I've seen great miracles in my ministry since I was 20, but I've never been satisfied. Aged 94 I still want MORE. I want to live like Jesus intended us to live. How about you?



**Katie Morris
with Charlotte Bittner and Tina Pompe**

THE POWER OF THE CROSS – IN THE DARKEST OF PLACES...

At the end of last year David spent two days preaching and evangelising in TOS Church, Tübingen, Germany. It was a double celebration: 75 years of full-time ministry and 30 years' close friendship with this church. Their performance in dance and song of Isaiah 53, the Gospel prophecy of Christ's rejection, crucifixion and resurrection, was deeply moving and provoked to tears. After the preaching many came forward to Christ to receive the forgiveness of sin and many were healed. Jobst Bittner, the pastor, asked David to pray for those actively evangelising on the streets; we expected 5 or 10 perhaps, but the spacious platform filled with too many to count!!! We were very moved because Tübingen was at the heart of Nazi evil, but through this new generation of believers, God has changed the city; people are changed and come to Christ.

In 1993 David was returning by car from evangelism in Belarus, newly independent from the Soviet Union, when, out of the mists a column of people on foot appeared, and at the head, someone carrying the Cross of Christ. Of course, David stopped to greet them – and so began our 30-year friendship with TOS Ministries. Founded by Jobst and Charlotte Bittner in 1990, with a radical vision to change their city, 250-300 people took part in this 'Prayer Expedition' from Berlin to Moscow. These were the children and grandchildren of the Nazi War in Europe, who for 45 years had lived under the threat of nuclear war, in a divided Europe, in constant hostility and tension between the free West and the communist East. As passionate converts, they were walking the prayerful walk of repentance and reconciliation. Their city, Tübingen had been a stronghold of enthusiastic support for the Nazi regime, its university, a centre for 'racial hygiene' research, conducting medical experiments on concentration camp prisoners at the university's medical school. Only in rare instances was there any resistance to this.

By the early 2000s, the leadership of TOS became conscious that many of their members were struggling in their relationships, some indefinable heaviness,

hardness, cloud of darkness hanging over them. They became aware, that, as the second and third post-war generation, they had grown up under the ongoing secret influence of an evil spirit, the like of which had never been seen in modern times.

Charlotte said: "Something began in the church, a deep repentance – not just saying, 'O Lord, forgive that my grandfather was a mass murderer' – but a deep spirit of repentance; and this went on for weeks and months, with people screaming under the burden of the awareness of what our families had done. There are different kinds of repentance – but this was birthed out of deep repentance, in earnest, a movement straight from Heaven which brought true transformation. It started in 2001/2002 first among us, the leaders, but then swept through the entire church. People started to work through their family histories. We have official archives in Germany where anyone can find out what their father, grandfather or great-grandfather did in the Second World War. And the results of our research gave people the facts on which to base their repentance.

"We discovered that our mayors in Tübingen at that time of National Socialism had all been high-ranking war criminals who had committed massacres against Poles, Russians and Jews. The university where my husband and I studied in 1982 was one of the first in Europe to become National Socialist. We worked through this point by point. We went to various places, prayed there, repented, took communion. But the whole transformation of the city began in December 2003 when we first celebrated the Jewish festival of Hanukkah publicly in the freezing cold. Hanukkah commemorates the rededication of the Jewish Temple after it had been desecrated by their enemies. We started celebrating Hanukkah every year and we formed a giant Star of David out of a human chain with lights which became a postcard that went around the world to all our Jewish friends.

"In 2006 a friend of ours prophesied that there was a lot of 'blood in the ground'

in and around Tübingen. We found out that right where we live there had been forced 'death marches' of concentration camp prisoners. Very close to us! We read about these death marches for the first time! So we decided to do a 'March of Life' and, together with Jewish friends, we did a 300-km march from Biesingen (one of seven concentration camps around Tübingen) to the infamous concentration camp at Dachau. Rose Price, a Holocaust survivor, liberated in Dachau, who had survived six camps, came with us! That was the start of the March of Life Movement, which now takes place worldwide.

"Immediately after this, Tübingen got a Jewish mayor! Suddenly, memorial stones were erected in the city! We see a change in the city council, at the university – where it really matters. Many Israelis have moved here because we have good job opportunities in the so-called Cyber Valley, at the university and in the IT sector. We celebrate Jewish festivals in the city, and the Feast of Tabernacles in the market square! And this is a former Jew-hating Nazi city! Even the traditional church, previously blatantly antisemitic, now has a huge Israeli flag hanging on its façade since the 7th October '23 terror attack on Israel. This is a very drastic transformation that has taken place over several years and is a result of a very, very intense and profound repentance for the Nazi blood guilt of our ancestors."

These words are not just for German people. And not just for Russians today, who have never prosecuted the perpetrators of heinous crimes committed against whole people groups under communism and in WWII and refuse to accept responsibility for war crimes in Ukraine. These words are for all of us, born into societies corrupt to some degree or other. Personal peace with God comes first, when YOU bind the 'STRONG MAN' in YOU. All quarrelling, division, war, lust for personal power and success are works of the devil – IN US. But we ALL, through deep personal repentance, can be reconciled to God through the Cross. Ephesians 2:1-18.



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