

## **Seven Days of Worship, Prayer, and Warfare** **Carrying out the Prophetic Action of the Lord at Calvary** **July 29 – August 4**

**Thesis:** We are responding to a prophetic word of the Lord to deal with spiritual warfare in general and an attack of witchcraft in particular. We will carry out the word of the Lord to open the spiritual gates of our church and to see a mighty restoration. We stand in the gap and fight the good fight of faith. We fight with the Lord for his plans, promises, purposes, and prophetic words for Calvary.

**Text:** Psalm 24:7-10; 144:1-15; 149:1-9; Luke 10:1-9, 17-24; 2 Corinthians 10:3-6; Ephesians 6:10-18

**Context:**

- We have been saying for a while that this season is a time when the enemy wants to attack. That was true for the people of Israel as they left Egypt and when they entered the promised land.
- When we talked about current reality and our preferred future, we said that we believed that the Lord would give us instructions on what to do along the journey. We believe that we have received such a word now.
- We received a prophetic word from Rev. Mosy and Gloria Madugba. In processing that word personally and with different leaders in our body, we concluded that this directional word is from the Lord and calls for us to respond.

### **Prophetic Word from Rev. Mosy and Gloria Madugba, Apostolic Leaders with the Ministers Prayer Network**

Context: In light of Calvary's current reality and preferred future, Rev. Mosy and his team joined us in praying and fasting for the Global Bridegroom Fast, June 2-4. They received a prophetic word for us during that time of prayer and fasting. There was a delay in getting the prophetic word to us. This word got to Pastor Jeff on June 23.

### **Revelation (prophetic word)**

Heavy Witchcraft activities were stirred up against the church. They shut the gates of the church spiritually. There are 7 of them. But I Jehovah have opened the gates again.

I want them (Calvary) to raise 7 altars for me in the church: 3 at the entrance, 3 at the altar, and 1 in the center of the church. Declare 7 nights of praise, high praise and blow the shofar 7 times each of those nights.

I will disgrace my enemies. I will slaughter them like I slaughtered the Amalakites. All that they have stolen shall be returned 7-fold. There will be a mighty restoration.

## Interpretation

1. The enemy has come against us through warfare and witchcraft to hinder God's purposes and authority in our church.
  - a. As followers of the Lord, we are actively engaged in spiritual warfare (Matthew 6:9-13; Ephesians 6:10-18; 2 Corinthians 10:3-6; Psalm 144; etc.)
  - b. Witchcraft is one weapon the enemy uses against us.
    - i. Witchcraft is counterfeit spiritual authority; it is using a spirit other than the Holy Spirit to dominate, manipulate, or control others. In Galatians 5:20, the Apostle Paul named witchcraft, or "sorcery," as one of the deeds of the flesh. Though witchcraft has its origin in the carnal nature of man, it usually degenerates quickly into demonic power (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, pps. 6-7).
    - ii. Witchcraft is basically the practice of cursing others. This cursing does not just come through cults or black magic arts, but can even come through those who love us and have good intentions and are trying to manipulate us. Using manipulation or control is a form of witchcraft, regardless of who does it. The manipulation and control spirits gain entrance through fear (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, pps. 51-52).
    - i. The source of witchcraft can be occultic, satanic, New Age, or even immature or deceived people operating in manipulation.
    - ii. **See Acts 8:4-24.**
      1. There are witches, sorcerers, and those who engage in evil or occultic activity to rule over people with fear, to control and dominate, and to steal, kill, and destroy.
      2. Simon the Sorcerer knew real spiritual power. His life was changed when he saw the Lord at work through Phillip in signs and wonders.
      3. When he encountered the power of the Holy Spirit through Peter and John, he discovered a power greater than anything he had ever seen. His heart was not yet sanctified because he was still motivated by power and money.

c. **Scriptures about witchcraft:**

- i. **Deuteronomy 18:9-13.** *When you enter the land the LORD your God is giving you, do not learn to imitate the detestable ways of the nations there. 10 Let no one be found among you who sacrifices his son or daughter in the fire, who practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft, 11 or casts spells, or who is a medium or spiritist or who consults the dead. 12 Anyone who does these things is detestable to the LORD, and because of these detestable practices the LORD your God will drive out those nations before you. 13 You must be blameless before the LORD your God (Deuteronomy 18:9-13).*
  - ii. **Exodus 7:6-13.** In the encounters between Moses and Egypt, Pharaoh's wise men, sorcerers, and magicians used secret arts to do signs and wonders; God's demonstration of power always trumped the efforts of evil.
  - iii. **Acts 8:4-25.** During the revival in Samaria, Scripture records the incredible harvest, signs and wonders, victory over demonic spirits, and the encounter with Simon the Sorcerer.
  - iv. **Acts 13:6-12.** Paul deals with Elymas the Sorcerer.
  - v. **Acts 19:1-20.** During the outpouring of the Spirit in Ephesus, there were demonstrations of the power of God over evil and occultic practices.
    1. *When this became known to the Jews and Greeks living in Ephesus, they were all seized with fear, and the name of the Lord Jesus was held in high honor. 18 Many of those who believed now came and openly confessed their evil deeds. 19 A number who had practiced sorcery brought their scrolls together and burned them publicly. When they calculated the value of the scrolls, the total came to fifty thousand drachmas. 20 In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power (Acts 19:17-20).*
2. "Witchcraft activities shut the spiritual gates of the church."
    - a. Gates are places of discernment, decision-making, and judgment in the Old Testament.
    - b. Gates are places of access, traffic, and exchange.
  3. "But I Jehovah have opened the gates again."
    - a. Like the Lord did for Israel, he has already won the war and gained the victory for us. Our God has already given us the promised land.
    - b. And, we have a part to play. We must go in and possess our possession. (See Joshua 1:1-11.)
    - c. We have authority to open the gates to the things of the Lord and to close them on the things of the enemy.

4. "Raise seven altars."
  - a. We are to engage in prophetic action to reclaim, rebuild, and restore Calvary as a place of encounter with the Lord.
  - b. Altars are places where God's people meet with the Lord.
  - c. We have prophetic words about Calvary being a porch into the Lord's presence and a portal-- a place of divine activity.
5. "Mighty restoration." The Lord will defeat our spiritual enemies, destroy this attack, and restore tangibly what has been lost or stolen to us.

### **Application**

1. We have scheduled 7 days that we might engage in worship, prayer, and warfare in response to this word (meeting in the Prayer Room at Calvary).
  - a. Sunday, July 29, 6-7:30pm.
  - b. Monday, July 30, 7-8:30pm.
  - c. Tuesday, July 31, 11am-12:30pm.
  - d. Wednesday, Aug. 1, 7-8:30pm.
  - e. Thursday, Aug. 2, 7-8:30pm.
  - f. Friday, Aug. 3, 7-8:30pm.
  - g. Saturday, Aug. 4, 6-7:30pm.
2. We are going to raise altars of worship at three entrances at Calvary (Front Portico, Children's Ministry Entrance (green awning), and Main Worship Entrance facing Horsepen Creek), at three parts of the main stage (right, left, and center), and at center court in the Worship Center.

## Actions for Dealing with Spiritual Warfare and Raising Altars to the Lord

### 1. Raise an altar to the Lord

- a. An altar in the Old Testament is a structure or place of sacrifice to God. The Greek word used in the New Testament for altar translates “place of sacrifice.” Believers are called “to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship” (Romans 12:1 NASB).
- b. In the Old Testament, people raised altars to the Lord where they encountered God or where the Lord told them to establish altars.
- c. In dealing with altars in the Old Testament, God called his people to **repent**, to change their minds and way of living. He called on his people to **renounce** the contracts and covenants made at unholy altars and to destroy altars raised up in false worship. To **raze** something is to completely and utterly destroy it. The Lord calls us to **reclaim and restore people and the land** for the purposes of the Living God and for the presence of God. We ask the Lord to break the power of evil and to set us free from evil influence. Then, we **raise up** new altars of devotion to Christ, places of memorial, where we commit again to following the Lord and his ways for our lives, our families, and our communities. (See Judges 6:1-31.)
  - i. Repent
  - ii. Renounce
  - iii. Raze: tear down; destroy
  - iv. Reclaim and restore; sanctify and cleanse
  - v. Raise up and erect godly altars
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### 2. Consecrate

- a. To consecrate is to set something or someone apart as belonging to God or for the service of God, and whatever is set apart is considered as holy (separated) unto God.
- b. We consecrate the entrance, building, and grounds.
- c. We consecrate the people.
- d. We rededicate them to the Lord.
- e. We declare they are holy, separated unto the Lord.
- f. Examples: Exodus 19:10-- consecrate the people; 28:41-- consecrate Aaron and his sons as priests; 44:1-46-- consecrate Aaron, the altar, the offerings, the Tent of Meeting, etc.; Joshua 3:5-- consecrate yourselves

3. **Declare** (Psalm 149:1-9)
  - a. We make Scriptural declarations.
  - b. We make prophetic declarations.
  - c. We read prophetic promises and remind the Lord of what he has said.
  - d. *Praise-filled warriors will enforce the judgment-doom decreed against their enemies. This is the glorious honor he gives to all his godly lovers. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! (Psalm 149:9 Passion Translation).*
  
4. **Restore** (Joel 2:12-27)
  - a. We pray specifically about the restoration of what has been lost and stolen.
    - i. Restoration of provision
    - ii. Restoration of people / harvest
    - iii. Restoration of power
    - iv. Restoration of impact
    - v. Restoration of influence
  - b. The Lord is able to restore in a finite period of time what has been lost or stolen over a longer period of time or a lifetime (Joel 2:25-27).
  
5. **Fight** (1 Timothy 6:12; James 4:7)
  - a. We bind and loose (Matthew 16:19).
  - b. We come against what the enemy is doing; we say “no” to it and yes to the kingdom of God (Matthew 6:10).
  - c. We declare to the enemy what the Lord has told us to decree.
  - d. We bless what the Lord is doing (Psalm 72:15).
  - e. We call on Jesus to fight for us (Psalm 45:3-5).
  - f. We resist the work of the enemy and bless the work of the Lord (James 4:7-8; 1 Peter 5:8-10).
  - g. We advance against the gates of the enemy and join the Lord in setting captives free from darkness and the power of the enemy (Matthew 16:18; Luke 4:18; 9:1-2; Acts 26:15-18; Colossians 1:13).
  - h. We move in the authority and at the command of the Lord as the Lord directs us against those opposing the gospel. (See Acts 13:6-12, dealing with Elymas the Sorcerer.)
    - i. Paul reacts sharply, declaring God's judgment on [Elymas] in the form of temporary blindness (which he himself had suffered, of course, in chapter 9; did Paul hope that in Elymas's case, as in his own, this would lead to repentance and to embracing the gospel?). The result is that the governor believed the gospel. Luke says that he was astonished at the 'teaching of the Lord'; this clearly doesn't just mean the theological content of what was being said, but the power which it conveyed. One obvious lesson from all this is that when a new work of God is going ahead, you can expect opposition, difficulty, problems and

confrontation. That is normal. How God will help you through (and how long he will take about it!) is another matter. That he will, if we continue in prayer, faith, and trust, is a given (NT Wright, *New Testament for Everyone—Acts for Everyone, Part 2: Chapters 13-28*).

- ii. Remember: We operate in delegated authority. We have power and authority to do what the Lord has authorized us to do. We are not here to carry out our own will and desires, but the will of the One who sends us.
- i. We pray for and bless those who curse us.
  - i. *"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, 45 that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust" (Matthew 5:43-45 NKJV).*
  - ii. Pray for those who have been used to loose witchcraft against us.
    - 1. Declare: "Every curse you have spoken which has come back to destroy your life is broken in the name of Jesus."

- 6. Celebrate** (Romans 14:17; to celebrate is to rejoice, be glad, throw a party, etc.)
- a. We celebrate the Lord.
  - b. We celebrate what the Lord is doing.
  - c. We celebrate what the Lord is going to do.
  - d. We will blow the shofar 7 times.

## Understanding and Dealing with Witchcraft in Particular

Excerpts from Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, booklet.

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2. We are defeated by the enemy when he can get us to respond in any spirit other than the Holy Spirit, whose fruit is love, joy, peace, and so forth (see Galatians 5:22-23) (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, p. 22).
  - a. The enemy's strategy is to cause us to depart from the fruit of the Holy Spirit and try to combat him on his own terms. Satan cannot cast out Satan; resentment will never cast out Jezebel—it will only increase her power (p. 22).
  - b. That is why the basic strategy we must use to begin freeing ourselves from the power of witchcraft is to "bless those who curse us" (see Luke 6:28). This does not mean that we bless their works, but that we pray for them and not against them. If the enemy can get us to retaliate, he will then have us using the same spirit, and we will have multiplied the very evil we were trying to cast out (p. 22).
3. We are not warring against flesh and blood, and the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but spiritual. When we begin to pray blessings upon the people who are attacking us, then the evil power of control and manipulation is broken over

both them and us. We must not return evil for evil, but we must “overcome evil with good” (see Romans 12:21) (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, p. 23).

- a. Witchcraft is being used against the church. Many who have failed to recognize it have been defeated—losing their vision, their ministry, their families, and even their lives. This is not sensationalism; it is fact.... (p. 23).
  - b. As Christians, we have no option as to whether or not we are going to do spiritual warfare—if we want to survive, we must fight. How do we combat this witchcraft? We must first look at the basic principle of spiritual warfare required for every victory (p. 23).
4. The Road to Victory (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, pps. 28-29)
- a. In Revelation 12:11, we see that the saints overcome Satan: 1. By the blood of the Lamb, 2. by the word of their testimony, and 3. by loving not their lives even unto death (pps. 28-29).
  - b. We overcome by the blood of the Lamb as we take our stand on what He has already accomplished for us through the cross. The victory has already been won, and there is no way we can lose, if we abide in Him (pps. 28-29).
  - c. The word of our testimony is the Scriptures. Every time the enemy challenged Jesus, He simply responded with Scripture, countering the enemy’s temptation with God’s truth. The Word of God is “the sword of the Spirit” (see Ephesians 6:17). With the sword, we can deflect the blows from his deceptive words, as well as attack him. Of all the pieces of armor we are commanded to use, the sword is the only offensive weapon (see Ephesians 6:10-18) (pps. 28-29).
  - d. That they “did not love their lives to the death” (see Revelation 12:11 NKJV), is the utter commitment to follow Him regardless of the price. We are called to take up our crosses daily, to do all things for the sake of the gospel, and to no longer live for ourselves but for Him. To the degree that we remain in self-centeredness, we will be vulnerable to the enemy’s attack. When we have reckoned ourselves dead to this world, as crucified with Christ, then the enemy no longer has any access to us because he has no more access to Him. What can be done to a dead person? It is impossible for the dead to be offended, tempted, fearful, depressed, or to be continually looking for the easy way out, since they have already paid the ultimate price (pps. 28-29).
  - e. All of these—the blood of the Lamb, the word of our testimony, and a commitment to lay down our lives, are required... (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, pps. 28-29).
5. To effectively combat witchcraft, we must determine that we are going to resist Satan until he flees from us. Our goal is more than just driving the enemy out of

our own lives; we then must pursue him until he is driven out of others in whom he has established a stronghold (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, p. 31).

6. True Christianity is the true Word of God verified by the true power of God (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, p. 46).
  - a. Paul the Apostle declared (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, pps. 42-43): *and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God (I Corinthians 2:4-5)* (pps. 42-43).
  - b. The conflict between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of evil is not just a conflict between truth and error (though it is that too); it is a confrontation of supernatural powers, with both sides seeking to fill the spiritual void in man created by the Fall (pps. 42-43).
  - c. The entire history of God's dealings with mankind has involved demonstrations of supernatural power. It is incongruous to say we are biblical people and yet not walk in the supernatural power of God. True Christianity is not just a matter of words; it is a demonstration of God's love and power to save, heal, and deliver. Jesus stated that as the Father had sent Him into the world, He has sent us into the world (see John 17:18). As our example, Jesus did not just talk about God's power to heal and save, He demonstrated it (pps. 42-43).
  - d. If we are going to preach the gospel, we must preach it as He did, demonstrating both God's love and His power. When Jesus sent out His disciples to preach the kingdom, they were to heal the sick and cast out demons (see Luke 9:1-2). The Lord never changes, nor does He change the way He sends His true messengers (Rick Joyner, *Overcoming Witchcraft*, pps. 42-43).

## Verses for prayer

*Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. 8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. 9 Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. 10 Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty-- he is the King of glory (Psalm 24:7-10).*

*On that day they will say to Jerusalem, "Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands hang limp. 17 The LORD your God is with you, **he is mighty to save**. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing" (Zephaniah 3:16-17).*

*'Even now,' declares the LORD, 'return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.' 13 Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity. 14 Who knows? He may turn and have pity and leave behind a blessing-- grain offerings and drink offerings for the LORD your God. 15 Blow the trumpet in Zion, declare a holy fast, call a sacred assembly. 16 Gather the people, consecrate the assembly; bring together the elders, gather the children, those nursing at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room and the bride her chamber. 17 Let the priests, who minister before the LORD, weep between the temple porch and the altar. Let them say, 'Spare your people, O LORD. Do not make your inheritance an object of scorn, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'" 18 Then the LORD will be jealous for his land and take pity on his people. 19 The LORD will reply to them: 'I am sending you grain, new wine and oil, enough to satisfy you fully; never again will I make you an object of scorn to the nations. 20 'I will drive the northern army far from you, pushing it into a parched and barren land, with its front columns going into the eastern sea and those in the rear into the western sea. And its stench will go up; its smell will rise.' Surely he has done great things. 21 Be not afraid, O land; be glad and rejoice. Surely the LORD has done great things. 22 Be not afraid, O wild animals, for the open pastures are becoming green. The trees are bearing their fruit; the fig tree and the vine yield their riches. 23 Be glad, O people of Zion, rejoice in the LORD your God, for he has given you the autumn rains in righteousness. He sends you abundant showers, both autumn and spring rains, as before. 24 The threshing floors will be filled with grain; the vats will overflow with new wine and oil. 25 'I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten-- the great locust and the young locust, the other locusts and the locust swarm-- my great army that I sent among you. 26 You will have plenty to eat, until you are full, and you will praise the name of the LORD your God, who has worked wonders for you; never again will my people be shamed. 27 Then you will know that I am in Israel, that I am the LORD your God, and that there is no other; never again will my people be shamed (Joel 2:12-27).*

*The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name." 18 He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. 20 However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." 21 At that time Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because*

*you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure. 22 "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." 23 Then he turned to his disciples and said privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see. 24 For I tell you that many prophets and kings wanted to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear but did not hear it" (Luke 10:17-24).*

*Praise be to the LORD, for he has heard my cry for mercy. 7 The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song. 8 The LORD is the strength of his people, a fortress of salvation for his anointed one. 9 Save your people and bless your inheritance; be their shepherd and carry them forever (Psalm 28:6-9).*

Today, we stand in the gap and fight. We fight with the Lord for his purposes, plans, and prophetic words for Calvary.

Psalm 45:1-7

Psalm 35:1-10

Isaiah 43:1-21

Psalm 91:1-16

1 Samuel 30:1-20

Matthew 11:10-13

### **Declarations and prayers**

1. The Lord breaks the chains.
2. The Lord leads forth victoriously on behalf of truth, humility, and righteousness.
3. The Lord breaks the power of disappointment, discouragement, confusion, witchcraft, and fear.
4. The Lord displays his splendor.
5. The Lord invites us to fight with him, to wake up to what he is doing around us, and to forcefully advance with the Lord.
6. We pray for the forceful advance of your people and your kingdom.
7. We pray for courage and strength.
8. We pray that we would believe you and trust you.
9. We pray that we would see the victories and work you have already done, and that we will possess our possession.

## Some principles of intercession and spiritual warfare

1. **The Lord is looking for people to step into the gap between the way things are and the way God wants them to be** (Ezekiel 22:30).
  - a. "I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none. 31 So I will pour out my wrath on them and consume them with my fiery anger, bringing down on their own heads all they have done, declares the Sovereign LORD" (Ezekiel 22:30-31).
2. **We are called to be watchmen on the wall** (Isaiah 62:6-7).
  - a. On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have appointed watchmen; All day and all night they will never keep silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest for yourselves; 7 And give Him no rest until He establishes and makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth (Isaiah 62:6-7 NASB77).
3. **The Lord gives revelation so that we can bless what he is doing and partner with him** (John 5:19-20; 8:28; 12:47-50).
  - a. The key to the life and ministry of Jesus is his intimacy with the Father.
  - b. Intimacy opens up lines of communication.
4. **We use the principle of displacement, praying for the opposite of the work of the enemy and brokenness which we see.**
  - a. When you become aware of enemy activity, pray the opposite of it.
  - b. We need to learn how to pay attention to what the Lord is doing and bless that.
  - c. The Lord gives us revelation of enemy activity so that we can pray the opposite of it.
5. **We get to fight on behalf of God's purposes in people, communities, cities, and nations.**
  - a. God has redemptive purposes for individuals, families, communities, systems, and nations.
6. **We get to say "no" to what the enemy is doing and "yes" to what the Lord is doing and wants to do** (Matthew 6:10; 16:19).
  - a. If the Lord's kingdom comes, then our kingdom and enemy activities must go.
  - b. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven (Matthew 16:19).
  - c. This is part of our role as gatekeepers.
    - i. Gatekeepers serve at the door or gate to guard the house or city and to open and close the gate as is appropriate (1 Chronicles 9:19, 22, 27).

- ii. Gatekeeping is a position of trust, given by the authority of the king and prophet (1 Chronicles 9:22).
  - iii. Gatekeepers guard the house of the Lord or serve at other gates: (1) our body is now his temple; its possessions, rooms, and treasures belong to God; (2) our homes; (3) our church, and (4) our city.
7. **We get to bless the plans, promises, purposes, and prophetic words of the Lord.**