Session Five

Prophetic Terminology & Symbolism, Character & Gifting and Dreamipedia

Isaiah 55:8-9 (NLT) “My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts,” says the LORD. “And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.”

God thinks and expresses himself on a level different from our own, but He knows how to communicate with us on our level. God’s time is on a completely different level than ours.

TIMETABLES
(This is not an absolute. God is not constrained to our definition of his timetables)
2 Peter 3:8 - But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

SUDDENLY: 0 – 3 years until fulfillment. There has been a long amount of time and preparation that has led to this point. This event or action will happen very quickly or happens spontaneously.

Acts 2:2 - Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting.

Jesus prophesies this earlier in Acts: Acts 1:4-5 - Once when he was eating with them, he commanded them, “Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before. John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

IMMEDIATELY: 0 – 3 years until fulfillment. There has been an incredible process that has led up to this point. There has been progressive growth and/or preparation

Mark 4:26-29 - And he said, So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground; And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how. For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear. But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come.
NOW / THIS DAY: 0 – 40 years until fulfillment. Usually there is no immediate visible evidence that this event or action has happened. The word has gone into effect but may take many years to come to pass.

1 Samuel 15:28 – And Samuel said unto him, The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, that is better than thou.

Very soon: 0 – 10 years until fulfillment

Soon: 0-2000 years until fulfillment

Psalm 37:2 - For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

PERSONAL PROPHECY

1. Is conditional. We must be obedient to God’s will.
2. Can be progressive. It may not fully come to pass immediately. It may be partial and progressive.

Prophecy requires our cooperation and participation, not our manipulation.

PROPHETIC TERMS THAT IMPLY A PARTICULAR PROCESS

Love: Causes us to deal with unlovable people or pushes us to the limit of our own love because of actions or situations that hurt or wound us. This forces us to draw up the greatest love (Agape).

Patience: Tribulation is the soil in which patience grows

Wisdom: Causes us to be faced with problems or situations that require the application of knowledge that we may not have. This forces us to lean on God’s wisdom.

Acts 2:17 - And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams
Character and Gifting

Godly **character** is of Greater value than **spiritual** giftedness.

The more **opinion** you have, the less **revelation** you’ll get.

The Lord will not **reward** you for your gift, He will reward you for your **character**.

Character is something you **have** or something you **are**.

God is yearning to restore **integrity**, **character**, and **credibility** to revelatory ministry.

Often our gift and personal identity become entangled and confused, leading us to feel hurt by pastors or other leaders who judge our prophetic words. Our personalized response to these painful situations is often hidden in the guise of “the Lord’s wrath” or “righteous indignation,” which usually is directed to those who did not receive the “word of the Lord.”

Instead of saying how can the church help my gift, it should be said, how can my gift help the church.

When we adopt a title instead of serving, we expect to be served.

If we just focus on the gift, when the gift disappears, people will only see your character and what will they find?

Character sets the ceiling on what God wants you to know. Lack of character will be the greatest hindrance to your gift.

Whatever God has promised, He has prepared for you to receive it by intentionally allowing situations to arise in your life that are designed to deepen your character.
A Few Truths

For God may speak in one way, or in another, yet man does not perceive it. In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls upon a man, while slumbering in their beds... Job 33: 14-15

You will spend 1/3 of your life dreaming. By the time you are 70 years old, you will have spent 6 years of your life in dreamland.

In scripture, 224 references to dreams or visions can be found.

1/3 of Scripture recounts or relates to a dream or vision.

We are NOT entitled to an interpretation.

Interpretations come as a result of an increasing relationship with God.

If Joseph had not paid attention to his dream, Jesus would not have lived.

Outside Reflection Activity

1. What is the first dream you remember having? How old were you?

2. As you were growing up, did anyone in your immediate family get dreams from God?

3. Do you remember ever having a recurring dream during some period in your life?

4. Have you ever dreamed the same dream as someone very close to you has dreamed (spouse, child, parent sibling, roommate, friend, mentor, etc.)
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These are not rules, just suggestions.
Numbers

One - God
Two - Multiplication
Three - God head, trinity
Four - Creative works, miracles
Five - Grace
Six - Man
Seven - Completion
Eight - New Beginnings (teacher)
Nine - Judgment (evangelist)
Ten - Journey, wilderness (pastor)
Eleven - Transition (prophet)
Twelve - Government (apostle)
Thirteen - Rebellion
Fourteen - Double anointing
Fifteen - Reprieve, mercy
Sixteen - Established beginnings
Seventeen - Election
Twenty-five - Begin ministry training
Thirty - Begin ministry
Thirty-seven - First Born
Forty - Generation and completed rule
Fifty - Debt cancellation
Seventy - Imminent increase, multitude
111 - My beloved son
120 - End of flesh
153 - Kingdom multiplication
666 - Full lawlessness
800 - Calling upon the Lord
888 - Resurrection
1500 - Light, power, authority
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**Vehicles**
Vehicles generally have to do with ministry or vocation.

- **airplane** - able to go to heights in the spirit
- **large airplane** - church or large ministry
- **small airplane** - small ministry
- **airplane on the ground** - what you are doing is not ready to take off yet. It is waiting for something or being prepared.
- **automobile** - personal ministry or job.
- **convertible** - open heaven, unencumbered vision
- **bus** - carries many people, larger ministry
- **pick up truck** - word play picking up something shorter destination
- **semi truck** - larger load further distance
- **tow trucks** - ministry of compassion, picking up broken things so that they can be fixed. gathers the wounded
- **fire truck** - able to put out things that are being destructive. If it is a dark dream it could be used to put out the fire of God.
- **tractor** - slow, but powerful, it is able to plow up and move the hardest ground.
- **bicycles** - individual ministries or individual callings. Requires perseverance, human commitment and balance. Just because you have a bicycle dream today does not mean you will always be a bicycle.
- **motorcycle** - similar to a bicycle as far as what it can carry, but it goes faster and is much more maneuverable.
- “**Fred Flintstone**” car - a lot of human effort.
- “**Mickey Mouse**” car - a ministry that is very colorful and entertaining.
- **armored Car** - the protection of God to carry valuable secrets from one place to another
- **taxi cab** - If you are driving, you are hired to do something. If you are riding, you are going to have to pay the price to get where you are going.
- **stage coach** - The journey will be long and difficult, but you will get there.
- **roller coaster** - temporary, exhausting, but exciting.
- **limousine** - The call of God on your life taking you to your destiny, but you will not be in control.
- **train** - a movement of God. Unless it is the last train, which means the train to Glory, God is going to take you home.
- **ocean liner** - has a large impact. They move through the ocean and take many people with them
- **tug boat** - vital assistance. Ministry of helps. Helps larger ministries get out in the open
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Vehicles

sail boat - when the wind is blowing they are fast, and powerful and influence people. When the wind is not blowing they sit still and wait for the wind to blow again.
river boat - they move on the river of life. It is slow, impacting, carries many people and is a lot of fun.
speed boat - fast, exciting, power in the spirit, but can be rough
submarine - undercover activity below the surface, not seen by many, but can have great impact.
subways - same as submarine, people tend to come and go from it quite rapidly
helicopter - mobile, flexible, and able to get in and out of the spirit quite quickly
chariot - a coming major spiritual encounter
space ship - carrying you to the outer limits of spirituality

Creatures

snakes - long tales, lies. The larger the snake, the larger the lies. Python would try to squeeze you with the lies, being slow and methodical. A rattlesnake is quick a deadly.
white snakes - a spirit of religion
horse - power that can be significant or a move of God. Power to change things.
bull - strength, stubbornness
cow or ox - slow and laborious change that require sustenance
rats - feed on garbage or sin, they forage in darkness and hide from the light. If you have a lot of sin they have more place for attack. Remove the garbage in your life, no rats.
spiders - demonic attack
spider web - entanglement of the soul and demonic traps
bats - nocturnal creatures of darkness
bees/hornets - painful, strong demonic attack, but not life threatening unless you are allergic
flies - occult activity. They live off of decaying and dying things as well as things that are uncovered or unattended.
wolves - false authority and teaching. They pick on the week and work in agreement with each other. Lots of accusation. They work in groups.
frogs/toads - lust. Revelation says that in the last days there will be a huge release of frogs. They were one of the gods of Egypt.
locusts - famine, also recorded in Revelation as being released in the last day.
Creatures

monkeys - mockers, they imitate and
black panther - high level occult activity
sheep - humility, submission, sacrifice, responsibility
goat - no discernment, they will eat anything, but they can signify abundance.
donkey - gentle strength, burden bearer, but if you press it too hard it will be stubborn
tiger - power of the soul. It is quiet and deadly
white tiger - could be Heavenly protection or deadly power
octopus - Jezebel spirit. Cut off one tentacle another one grabs hold.
alligator - a large mouth attack. It defends itself with its tail (Tale). A lot of people will listen to what the large mouth has to say and it will defend itself with lies against you.
elephant - large impact that is impossible to ignore.
whale - similar to an elephant, but it will be hidden. Impact and influence with people.
bear - judgment and strength. The color will help to determine the meaning. Temper
mule - stubborn, it can’t reproduce itself
cat - independent and strong willed.
black cats - adds witchcraft, and familiar spirits, so they can turn on you
eagle - a prophetic calling. They have the greatest eyes of any creature created. Spiritual maturity.
bird - freedom
dove - symbolic of the Holy Spirit
ostrich - stupidity, disregard for young. Lacks wisdom, but has great speed.
chicken - coward
dinosaur - extinct, old, outdated, generational issues
dog - faithfulness, companion
dolphin - new converts, evangelism
jelly fish - spineless, displays weakness
shark - destroyer
fox - cunning, clever
giraffe - willingness, risk taker, curiosity
kangaroo - natural ability to carry others along, very timid in nature.
zebra - racial unity, harmony, honesty
pig - demonic spirit


**DREAMIPEDIA**

**Buildings**

*house* - means a ministry, church or personal life situation, sometimes it can mean both

*buying or living in a house of someone else who is in ministry* - you will have a portion of the anointing of that ministry

*two story house that was originally a one story house* - a double anointing

*castle* - authority

*barns/warehouses* - places of provision and storage where you can find what you need and give to others what they need. Someone or a ministry that has a large anointing or surplus to help others.

*mall* - provision for all needs in one place

*home depot* - a building anointing

*stadium* - places of great impact and favor (if it full)

*airport* - place of preparing and equipping ministry

*elevator* - rising a lowering of ministry

*staircases* - same principle as elevator

*spiral staircase* - increasing in power, accelerates the spirit

*foundations* - important issues that will affect the longevity and stability of a ministry or group.

*high rise buildings* - visibility and influence. The taller they are the greater their visibility and influence

*hotels* - transition, temporary. Give you a place to relax, rest and receive.

*tall hotel* - may be there a longer term, but you will be more visible, but it isn’t permanent. Visibility for a while, influence for a while.

*country general stores* - a place of serenity, back to basics. God wants you to connect you with the staple of life.

*mobile homes* - more permanent than a hotel, but still transition

*tent* - even more temporary than a hotel, but can lead to something permanent

*amphitheater* - something that is going to be magnified or amplified depending on the context

*theatre* - you are going to or you are being shown something. It could be a prophetic event.

*windows* - represent vision, they let light in

*hall* - place of transitions

*atrium* - light and growth from Heaven. Not geared to looking out to something, but you receiving light for growing or healing

*door* - New Beginnings

*garden* - love and intimacy. It is more visible than an atrium
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**Buildings**

- **front porch** - the ability to see the future
- **back porch** - ability to see history
- **hospitals** - times of healing and recovery
- **garage** - times of refreshing and waiting. Something that you will use often, something that is part of your ministry or life.
- **auto repair shops** - ministries or churches that have restoring and repair of people capabilities.
- **gas stations** - places to receive power, in filling. If you are receiving the proper thing then you will receive power
- **office building** - visiting, a time or requiring and learning. Working there, you are helping to develop, build, helping something advance.
- **shack** - someplace to go to get away. A retreat, being cut off from outside distractions
- **farms** - a place of provision and learning to grow and helping others to grow
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People: Nameless people

Ask the following questions:

1. How is this person connected to the dreamer?

2. What is the name of the person?
   A person’s name can have great significance in a dream.
   Sometimes it is not the person who is significant, but the name.

3. What stands out about the person? Either an attribute or an action

4. What does the person portray in the dream?

5. What spiritual quality does that person portray?
   They could also represent the spiritual quality they have to you.

6. Does the dreamer like, dislike or are they neutral to the person?

7. Has the person appeared to other dreams you’ve had?

8. Is the person unknown to the dreamer? What were their characteristics?

9. From their actions or manners what name would you give them?

10. What roll do they play in the dream? Did they make the dream better or worse?

11. Does the person exude any qualities you would like to have or not have?
    Faceless people usually are angels.

12. Does this person seem to help or hinder the dream?

13. Does the person seem to have supernatural powers or ability?
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People: Named People

Pay attention to the name of the person. Especially if it is a person from your past.

Is the person’s name in scripture? They may be a prophetic pointer to something that is going to happen in your life.

The name of the position they hold may be significant. (i.e. manager, director, doctor...)

Note the spiritual or political people that may be in your dream.

Objects

knives - you are under verbal attack. Gossip or communication issues. If you are holding the knife, it is for battle, close up defense. You need to use your wisely. (small things that can cut)
sword - people that are around you can hurt you because it reaches farther than the knife. It represents authority and speaking authority.
guns - authority with significant impact that can go through the heart.
darts - Demonic attacks that are not life threatening, but can hurt.
ing - represent covenant and given authority. If they have stones, it can give more detail
clothing - color in clothing can be significant
cloak - a heavier mantle or anointing
swim wear - the ability to move in the spirit without being constrained by your position.
racing swim wear - swimming unimpeded
shorts - calling is only partially fulfilled.
cultural clothing - either called to another country, intercede for another country or you have influence with people from that country or culture
wedding dress - a new covenant and expectation of lasting and intimate relationship
shoes - the ability to have peace or lack of peace. It may also represent what you are called to do depending on the kind of shoes.
clothing that doesn’t fit - you are trying to walk in something you are not called to do (like David trying to wear Saul’s armor)
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Weather
The color of the object will determine if it is a good thing or bad thing.

storms - God is going to disturb things
wind - a move of the spirit or adversity
rain - if from God a spirit that is raining down to prepare a harvest. If it is muddy and yucky it is from the enemy
earthquake - warning and shaking, judgment, some things will change
snow - is usually a good thing. Righteousness and refreshing
volcano - emotions, inner turmoil
water - cleansing

Rooms in a house

bathroom - a place for spiritual cleansing, toxins are removed.
bathroom in public - God is establishing humility in your life and it usually indicates a promotion in the near future
kitchen - where people prepare spiritual food
restaurant - same as kitchen, but more influence and impact
dining room - fellowship around spiritual food
attic - past history or issues in the past or things you have stored for the future not knowing the time you will use it. Could be generational blood lines or issues.
basements - hidden issues. Things that are below the surface. things that are stored for use in the near future.
bedroom - intimacy and rest.

Body Parts

thigh - Faith
nose - discernment
hand - relationship and direction
arm - Strength and faith
right - strength and faith to do what you are called to do
leg - what you are walking in, what you are called to do.
left - what you were born and created to do.
teeth - thinking about chewing on and understanding things
eye teeth - revelatory understanding
Body Parts

**wisdom teeth** - comprehension and understanding
If any tooth is coming out it means you are about to lose it.
If a tooth is cracked there are things you need to correct.
**incisors** - the ability to bite things off so you can take it in.
**upper teeth** - stationary
**lower jaw** - moving in and out people.
**beard** - maturity or adulthood
**hair** - wisdom and anointing
**braided hair** - directed wisdom in some areas
**nakedness** - humility without guile and transparency
**neck** - humble or stubborn and stiff necked, depending on context
**side of your body** - friendship and vulnerability
**lips** - passion, speech
**chest** - love and intimacy
**eyebrow** - higher vision, covering
**paralyzed body parts** - the enemy is hindering what you are doing. You are under demonic attack.
**index finger** - prophet
**middle finger** - evangelism
**ring finger** - pastor
**pinky finger** - teacher
**thumb** - apostle
**wrist** - strength, timing

Crops

When it comes to crops, you need to note the time of year, what kind of crops, is it ready to be harvested?
Is there a weather issue that is complicating the matter?

Generally, crops mean that what you have worked for is about to come to pass.

Money

Represents gain or loss of favor.
If it is in a black and white dream it represents greed.
Repeated Dreams

If it is twice, God is establishing a dream and it is going to happen
if it happens more than twice, something is keeping it from happening. God is
trying to show you something that you need to do, but you are not getting it.

Life Lessons

May include former places you have lived, tests you’ve taken or places you have been.

Whatever is prominent in the dream about those things is what you need to pay attention.

If the dream is about you, ask yourself how you felt about that time in your life.

Misc.

tree- leadership

flying - a call and capability to move in the higher things of the spirit, it is a
revelatory call. The more you can control your flight, the more you can control
things of the spirit. It also indicates the ability to rise above earthly things.
Setting your mind on thing above rather than earthly things.