

Are Prophetic Words Still Valid When Leaders Fall? Alwyn Uys Responds to the Shawn Bolz Controversy

In the wake of growing controversy surrounding allegations of false prophecy and sexual abuse tied to Shawn Bolz and the subsequent response issued by Bethel Church, many are asking a deeply personal question: If a prophetic leader falls, was any of it ever real?

That question was addressed head-on in a recent Charisma Media interview with prophetic teacher Alwyn Uys, whose viral video response to Bethel's statement struck a chord with Christians wrestling through disappointment, confusion and discernment.

"We do believe that God does speak. We do believe that the prophetic is real," Uys said. "But we've also seen there's abuse of that."



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Uys acknowledged the pain many feel when leaders they once trusted fall into moral failure. "Leaders do fall, unfortunately, and we're all human at the end of the day," he said. "That's not to excuse people of their actions. Actions have consequences—even if they were years before."

When Failure Causes Doubt

For Uys, the issue is deeply personal. He openly shared that he once followed, learned from and even received accurate prophetic words from some of the very figures now under scrutiny.

“I got words from some of these people—accurate prophetic words,” Uys explained. “Things that weren’t publicly available, things that were only between me and God. I knew this was the Holy Spirit speaking through them.”

Christians have prayed the words “on earth as it is in heaven” for centuries.

According to Randy Kay, that prayer is not merely a request – it is a prophecy now being fulfilled.

“What if I told you that prayer isn’t just a request?” he said. “It’s a prophecy, and it’s being fulfilled. Right now, God is doing something He hasn’t done since creation itself. He’s creating something new.”

Citing Ecclesiastes’ declaration that there is “nothing new under the sun,” Kay argues that while humanity endlessly recycles systems and structures, God operates above the sun – and therefore is not bound by human limitation. “Only God can create new,” he said.

As Kay cites, history has already witnessed two major spiritual shifts initiated by God, and a third, final one is now underway.

The First Two Shifts

The first shift, he explained, occurred with the arrival of Jesus Christ.

“For thousands of years, God worked through Israel. The covenant was with the Jewish people,” he said. “Then Jesus came, died, rose – and everything changed.”

Quoting Isaiah 43:18–19, Kay emphasized the prophetic nature of that transition: “Forget the former things. Do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing.”

The inclusion of the Gentiles, described by Paul in Romans 11, marked what he called God's first great disruption of religious expectation.



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The second shift, however, he says, is less often acknowledged – Christianity moving from a Christ-centered movement into an institutional system.

“What Jesus built got buried when Rome corrupted the Way around 300 AD,” he said. “Walls were erected between God and His people.”

Referencing the Edict of Milan in 313 AD and the rise of Constantine's influence over church doctrine, he quoted historians who observed, “The church conquered Rome, but Rome conquered the church.” What was once a Spirit-led, relational movement became hierarchical, politicized and mediated.

Even the Protestant Reformation, he argues, failed to restore what was lost. “The Reformation didn't restore the Way – it just reorganized the separation,” he said.

The Third Shift: Heaven to Earth

Kay contends the third shift – and final one – is now unfolding: heaven manifesting on earth before death.

“This isn't reformation. This isn't revival of the old,” he said. “This is God manifesting the reality of heaven here, now.”

He describes heaven not as a distant destination, but as a state of total relational immersion with God. “In heaven, God isn't part-time. He isn't a Sunday appointment,” he said. “He is your point of reference.”

Kay then shared his own personal testimony: “I died in 2005 – 30 minutes clinically dead – and I experienced what I’m describing to you.”

In that experience, he claims there was no separation between God and man. “The glory of God isn’t something you visit. It’s something you’re immersed in,” he said. “You don’t step in and out. You live in it.”

Why the West Is Declining While the Underground Church Explodes

While the Western church continues to hemorrhage attendance – with Gallup reporting U.S. church membership falling from 70% in 1999 to 47% today – Kay points to explosive growth in places where Christianity is illegal or persecuted.

“Iran now has the fastest-growing Christian population on earth,” he said. “More Iranians have come to Christ in the last 20 years than in the previous 1,400 years combined.”

Conversions there, he noted, come not through programs or pulpits, but through dreams and visions of Jesus. “No missionary. No program. Direct encounter with Christ.”

China’s underground church and Africa’s exponential growth show the same pattern. “The glory falls where the walls don’t exist,” he said.

A Vision of Glory – and a Warning

During his near-death experience, Kay described seeing God’s glory spreading across the earth – but stopping short of many in the West.

“Some people had a covering over them, like an umbrella,” he said. “They were defended – but not by God. Defended against Him by tradition, religion and systems.”

He warned that theological camps, denominational identities, and political allegiances can become barriers to intimacy with God. “The glory can only fall on the open, the surrendered.”

A Call to Discernment and Relationship

While the message is undeniably provocative – and certain claims demand biblical testing – its core challenge aligns with Scripture’s emphasis on relationship over ritual.

Jesus Himself warned religious leaders, “You shut the door of the kingdom of heaven in people’s faces” (Matt. 23:13). And Peter reminds believers that God is “not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance” (2 Pet. 3:9).

“The church doesn’t need another doctrine,” Kay said. “It needs transformation. And transformation only comes through relationship.”

The question now is not whether heaven is real, but whether Christians will lower their defenses enough to seek God Himself, rather than the structures built around Him.

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Trump Moves to Address Nigeria's Christian Persecution As Pressure Mounts

There is a tangible shift unfolding across the nations—spiritually, prophetically and geopolitically—and many believe we are witnessing the early tremors of the next great move of God.

In a recent prophetic video, Sid Roth declared that the global church now stands “between two moves of God’s Spirit,” noting that we are “at the tail end... of the last great move of God’s Spirit” and simultaneously “in the infancy of the next move... which [he] called the greater glory.”

According to the longtime evangelist, this next phase will not merely be revival as we have known it. Instead, he says the fulfillment of prophetic Scriptures is tied directly to Israel, the nations and the glory of God that will cover the earth.

Israel: The Prophetic Dividing Line

Roth did not hesitate to make Israel the focal point of both present history and God’s unfolding plan. “I am going to be talking about your position on Israel, which will determine your future, the future of America and the future of the world,” he said.

Citing Zechariah 2:8, he warned, “He who touches Israel touches the apple of His eye,” adding that in Hebrew, it could be rendered as someone “who pokes their finger in God’s eye.”

Roth argued that Scripture is explicit: nations and families rise or fall based on their treatment of Israel. “You bless Israel as a nation, you’re blessed. You curse Israel as a nation, you’re cursed,” he said, echoing Genesis 12:3. In his view, anti-Semitism is not merely political or cultural but “caused from the invisible world,” describing it as “evil... raising its ugly head worldwide.”



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He connected these developments to the gospel of Matthew, asserting that the separation of sheep and goat nations is tied to how nations treat “these brothers of mine,” identifying Jesus’ “brothers” as the Jewish people. “How can you do that to Jesus?” he asked. “He that touches Israel is the same as someone that pokes their finger in God’s eye.”

The Greater Glory and the Jewish Salvation

Yet for Roth, the story does not end with conflict—it ends with redemption. Quoting Romans 11:26, he declared, “And so all Israel shall be saved,” stressing that Israel is “the only nation in the Bible called by name” for such a promise. “Can you imagine a nation that will be totally saved?” he asked.

Roth believes this will mark one of the greatest evangelistic harvests in history. “The Jewish harvest is not coming,” he declared. “It has already begun.”

The Esther Call for the Church

Roth concluded with a charge to the church, likening believers to Esther positioned “for such a time as this.” He argued that righteous believers have historically impacted Jewish destiny through three things: “praying, witnessing, and giving.”

“If you remain silent at this time,” he warned, quoting Esther 4:14, “deliverance... will come from somewhere else—but you and your father’s house will be destroyed.

Roth’s words make it clear: we are nearing the end, the harvest is great and God is calling His people to put their hands to the plow to preach the gospel and make disciples all over the globe.

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Man Defies Apostate Billboard, Paints Over Message to Declare: ‘Jesus Is God’

For one man in Los Angeles, declaring ‘Jesus is God’ was worth even vandalizing property.

In a video that went viral on social media, a man in Los Angeles can be seen painting over one of the controversial billboards that have started to pop up recently, which read, “The Bible says... Jesus is not God.”

This statement is not only heretical, but it is infuriating

for Christians. So, one soul decided he would take matters into his own hands, even if it meant vandalism.

In the video, the man is seen using a large black paint roller to match the background of the sign, painting over the word “not” and the billboard’s bottom statement as well. This made the sign read, “The Bible says... Jesus is God.”

□Somene decided to paint over the disturbing billboard that says "the Bible says Jesus is not God". While correcting the statement "Jesus is God"□

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At the heart of the Christian faith is not a slogan, a protest or a viral moment—it is the unshakable truth of who Jesus Christ is. Scripture reveals Him as fully God and fully man, not partially divine, not merely a prophet, and not a created being. “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God” (John 1:1). Yet that same Word “became flesh and dwelt among us” (John 1:14). If Jesus were not both man and God, His death would have been insufficient. It is precisely because He was both that redemption was possible.



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Only a sinless Savior—God clothed in flesh—could bear the weight of humanity’s sin. On the cross, Jesus did not merely suffer as a martyr; He shed His blood as the spotless Lamb of God, offering a once-for-all atonement that no human effort could ever achieve. Denying His deity does not simply challenge theology—it undermines the very foundation of salvation itself.

Without the divine Christ, there is no forgiveness of sins, no victory over death, and no hope of reconciliation with God. This is why the declaration “Jesus is God” is not a matter of opinion, emotion or activism—it is the cornerstone of the gospel and the reason the cross still stands as the ultimate answer to humanity’s deepest need.

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Amanda Grace Issues Warning as a Critical Season Emerges for World Leaders

Recently, evangelist Benny Hinn and his daughter, Natasha, engaged in a surprisingly tender yet theologically weighty conversation about the state of the church, righteous judgment, and how believers can spiritually endure the days ahead. Natasha’s questions echoed the silent struggle of many younger Christians who feel caught between digital outrage culture and biblical holiness.

Here are nine takeaways from this powerful conversation that Benny Hinn says the church today is getting wrong.

1. The Church During Benny Hinn's Youth Was "Pure and Simple."

Natasha opened by asking how the church has changed between generations, especially with the pressures of social media, public criticism and the culture war. Hinn did not hesitate to draw a sharp contrast.

"Much different. Very pure and simple." He continued: "All we heard was the crucified life... loving the Lord, serving the Lord, and dying to self."

Hinn described a youth movement in the 1970s built around prayer, repentance and holiness rather than influence, platforms or controversy. For him, the center of gravity was Christ Himself, not the spectacle surrounding Him.

2. Restoration Used to Be the Norm—Not Destruction

While recalling the church of his youth, Hinn emphasized a culture of restoration rather than condemnation.

"We don't see real power. We don't see real love. We don't see real order. We see disorder and a lot of hate and wanting to destroy people, not restore people," Hinn said. "When I grew up, it was restoring, not destroying. Today, they destroy. Nobody wants to restore."

To him, the problem is not that believers are addressing sin—it's how they're doing it. The digital age has conditioned Christians to "call out" rather than "call back," to "expose" rather than "edify," often forgetting that Jesus's ministry was fundamentally redemptive.

3. Judge Not—Unless You’ve Removed the Beam From Your Own Eye

Natasha pressed into the heart of her concern: how does the church judge righteously without grieving the Holy Spirit? Hinn immediately grounded his answer in Matthew 7.

“Judge not, that ye be not judged... First cast out the beam out of thine own eye,” Hinn said. “People are attacking each other and attacking ministers... not looking at what is in their eye.”

In other words, Jesus condemned not discernment but hypocrisy, and the attempt to fix the speck in a brother’s eye while ignoring the plank lodged in our own.

4. It Is Not Everyone’s Job to Expose the Church

One of the most clarifying moments came when Natasha asked whether it is the responsibility of believers to “clean up the body of Christ.”

Hinn answered plainly: “No... that belongs only to elders... ordained and recognized in the church.”



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This statement directly addressed the rise of internet watchdog ministries, anonymous exposé channels, and self-appointed online theologians who believe their calling is to correct the church publicly. Hinn argued that such efforts lack biblical warrant and often cause wounding rather than healing.

5. Only Elders Have Biblical Authority to Correct Leaders

To support his claim that only the elders can correct leaders, Hinn turned to 1 Timothy 5: “Rebuke not an elder... Against an elder receive not an accusation but before two or three witnesses.”

He clarified what he meant in this modern application: “Not someone who has a camera in front of him.”

Hinn then took his statement a step further: “The sheep follow shepherds, not the other way around.”

6. God Will Clean His Church—Not the Internet

Hinn then shifted the responsibility of judgment away from the crowd and back toward Christ Himself: “..all that talk about that they have to clean the church, that’s not their job. The Lord will clean his church,” Hinn said.

He reminded viewers that in Revelation, Jesus—not the mob—rebuked the seven churches. The judge of the church is not the algorithm, the comment thread or the influencer, but the Head of the Body Himself.

7. The Crisis of the Church is Mostly in America—Not Worldwide

Another surprising assertion came when Natasha asked whether this problem of scandal, judgment and faith issues was universal. Hinn responded: “The chaotic stuff is mostly in the United States and Canada,” Hinn said before mentioning a surprising revival happening abroad.

“The fastest growing church today is inside Iran,” Hinn said. “Under that persecution, there is can tell you the majority of the Church is experiencing the beauty of the Lord and the glory of the Lord, and they don’t understand.”

8. Only Scripture—Not Experiences—Will Sustain You

Perhaps the most unexpected statement came when Hinn—known for healing crusades—said: “Not the gifts, not signs and wonders, not even the anointing... only the Scriptures will keep you.”

This is not a rejection of the supernatural, but a prioritization of the relationship with Christ over the gifts of the Spirit. According to Hinn, experiences may bless you, but the Word transforms you.

9. “Attacks Will Increase Through AI—But the Word Will Anchor You”

Finally, Hinn warned about the intensifying days ahead.

“The attacks will continue and get worse... they’re going to use AI,” he said. “The Word of God is going to give you such peace and such joy in Jesus that nothing, nothing will offend you.”

For a generation entering an age of digital warfare, misinformation and identity confusion, Hinn argued that survival will come not through strategy but through Scripture.

In the end, this was not a debate about platforms, exposure or personalities—it was a warning and an invitation. Hinn’s message to a rising generation was not to retreat from truth, but to return to it.

In an age of outrage, accusations and endless opinions amplified by technology, he pointed believers back to the one

anchor that has never shifted: the Word of God.

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Pope Leo Confronts Growing 'Love Bot' Crisis

The Pope is tackling a strange epidemic known only to the 21st century: Human relationships with artificial intelligence.

According to The Hill, Pope Leo XIV issued a dire warning regarding these relationships in his address for the 60th World Day of Social Communications.

“Technology must serve the human person, not replace it,” Leo said. He further noted that “preserving human faces and voices” is an “indelible reflection of God’s love.”

As the use of AI continues to skyrocket, so does its unusual use. People are no longer using AI only for simple tasks to make life easier. They are relying on it for emotional support, and in many cases, choosing companionship with these bots over relationships with other people. Some have even “married” AI boyfriends and girlfriends, and unfortunately, some have relied on it to do even the unthinkable, up until the point of it leading to self-destruction and death.

“By simulating human voices and faces, wisdom and knowledge, consciousness and responsibility, empathy and friendship,” Leo believes AI is “encroach[ing] upon the deepest level of communication, that of human relationships.”



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He further noted the spiritual dangers of seeking AI to be an “omniscient friend, source of all knowledge ... or an oracle of all advice.” The Hill reported that Leo then said: “Because chatbots are excessively ‘affectionate,’ as well as always present and accessible, they can become hidden architects of our emotional states and so invade and occupy our sphere of intimacy.”

The Pope further cited that replacing human relationships with AI “robs” us of the chance to “encounter others.”

In Scripture, the apostles warned that the last days would be marked by deception on a scale never before witnessed. Paul wrote that “evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived” (2 Tim. 3:13). What was once thought to be science fiction is now creating spiritual substitutes—counterfeit relationships, counterfeit intimacy and even counterfeit purpose.

The rise of AI “companionship” looks less like progress and more like a reframing of ancient temptations: to create gods in our own image, to seek counsel without accountability, and to embrace relationships without covenant or cost. It is not hard to imagine how such technologies could become tools for isolation, control and deception in a generation already wrestling with loneliness and identity confusion.

Jesus also warned that in the final hours, “lawlessness will abound, and the love of many will grow cold” (Matt. 24:12). As human connection fractures and digital imitation becomes

normalized, society is trading the God-designed gift of relationship for hollow simulations that can never satisfy the soul. The more humanity tries to outsource what only Christ can fulfill, the more vulnerable it becomes to the lies of the age.

Now is the time for Christians to guard their hearts, contend for truth and anchor themselves in the love of God that no machine can ever replicate.

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