

Brace for Impact: Prophetic Message Helps Church Prepare

On Dec. 19, the Holy Spirit spoke the words, “Brace for impact.” To be honest, those are words I didn’t want to hear. Other prophetic leaders have heard similar words. But I knew this wasn’t to be released until after Christmas.

What does it mean for us? First, it is not a word to fear.

My friend Kim Potter and I discussed it, and she sensed the same thing—but with a slightly different word about the need to build an ark. Both words speak of the need to prepare. If we are not grounded on the Word, what’s coming could shake us. But the end result will be God’s plan.

I don’t believe this is a crash-and-burn moment. I still don’t sense in my spirit that Biden will be the last man standing. What I believe is exactly what the Holy Spirit said: We are to prepare and brace for impact for the natural clash of what has already been happening in the spiritual realm.

Because of the nature of this word, I called a trusted friend and prophetic voice, Wanda Alger. As we processed it together, she shared an important component:

“I don’t see this as a negative word. Consider we are about to have “impact” by the Word of God and the goodness of God. Like in any move of God, those who are aligned with Him will be in awe, in worship and admiration. But for those who are not aligned with Him, it will create terror,” she finished.

As you read, keep in mind God’s end goal. It has always been cleansing and revival—for hearts to return to Him. But for those who refuse, there comes a time of judgment.

If we are to “brace for impact,” let’s look at the natural and

spiritual strategy of that word as we move forward.

The term “brace for impact,” according to a former pilot, is used when “Our flight is about to end sooner than planned, at a location other than an airport and the first part of the plane to touch down ain’t gonna be the wheels! It is when the equation is about to change.”

Below are important tips from that pilot, which I believe we can apply to our situation today. I am using some of his terminology and applying it to how we can prepare.

Remember being prepared is simply wisdom. (Consider the 10 virgins in Matthew 24: Five were prepared, but five weren’t).

The best case scenario is we prepare and never need to utilize our preparations. But if something changes and we do—we are ready. Physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

1. Preparedness

Have situational awareness. Planning ahead is the key to surviving an aircraft accident, so it is with our current situation. Note those around you who are prepared, those who will need help and those you may need to avoid. Have your plan in place.

Take note of where you live and what is around you. Are you prepared with food and water? Do you have a source for heat and/or communication with loved ones if all the normal resources are temporarily interrupted?

2. Explosive decompression.

According to the pilot, this phrase means, “should the aircraft lose pressurization, an oxygen mask will drop down.” He went on to explain that, “Initially there will be a loud ‘bang’ as air goes rushing out of the cabin.

A cloud, obscuring your vision, will form immediately as

moisture is sucked out of the air. Because it will stun you, you will be incapacitated for three to five seconds, leaving only four to six seconds to get your mask on before you start wondering if the pilot got his on in time! The child's mask goes on after yours."

This is insight for a plane crash. What does that mean for us now? If something unexpected occurs, we may indeed have a "cloud" obscuring our vision. More than likely that would be the media with ongoing lies to create fear, or perhaps there could be a complete lack of communication as all goes "dark." The key is to hold steady. You need to stabilize and then work to help others.

God is in control.

3. Check your luggage at the gate.

When we board a plane we understand this. But what does it mean in our present situation? I believe it is essential we "check our baggage" of fear, uncertainty and confusion.

Give it to God.

We have to determine that we will keep our eyes on Him and His Word and not be moved by what we see or hear. Already many are getting tossed about as they hear "trusted leaders" say "abandon ship" or "it's over." It absolutely is not.

Hold steady.

4. Locate and touch your survival/life vest.

Many, in panic, evacuate the aircraft without one. In our situation, we cannot panic and "evacuate" from our "survival" equipment—the Word of God and listening to His voice. He said He would guide us in the way we should go.

Trust Him. Stay connected to Him.

The Holy Spirit will give detailed instructions for your situation if you will get alone with Him and listen.

Don't panic.

5. Stay alert and ratchet your seatbelt tight as we "brace for impact!"

But also, be encouraged. There is a sound of breakthrough! Stand fast friends. Fill your heart with His promises. He will show Himself strong.

Lord, Your name is a strong tower. You said if we run to You we would be safe. We take Your Name, Your Word and Your blood and declare it over our families and nation. Lord we enter our rooms and shut the doors behind us to hide ourselves for a little while until the indignation has passed.

As You have always done, Lord, we ask that the storm of judgment pass over Your people who have humbled themselves before You, for You said You would bless the righteous and surround us with favor as with a shield.

We refuse to fear, for You are with us. We will not be afraid, for You are our God. You said You would strengthen us, help us and uphold us with Your righteous right hand. Even as the storm rages, You said all who rage against us will be ashamed and disgraced.

Those who contend with us will be reduced to nothing and will perish. We will seek for them but will not find them. Those who wage war against us will come to nothing. For You are the Lord our God, who takes hold of our right hand and tells us: "Do not fear. I will help you."

We declare no matter the storm, we will not be shaken for it is well with our souls. {eo}

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