

Prophetic Vision: Holy Spirit Is Bringing Fresh Anointing to Be Ambassadors in 2020

I was on the front row where I fellowship, and I had a vision in which I saw an angel.

“The Holy Spirit is refreshing your life, and you are to be an ambassador for Christ!” she said. I fell to the ground, face down, and wept as she spoke.

I remember wishing everyone could hear her. It occurred to me that the worship team couldn’t see the angel’s face because she was behind them, but then I realized she faced in all directions. The angel wasn’t just speaking to me, but to each person individually.

“Elders,” she continued, “come up and pray for all to receive a fresh anointing from the Holy Spirit to speak in tongues and be ambassadors of the Lord.” As I looked back at the believers, most of them were on their faces, weeping in awe of what was taking place.

I awoke from that vision, and tears were running down my face.

One of the most important things we can do is to discern what God is doing today in our land. Don’t be stuck in the past, trying to redo—over and over again—what God is through doing. We have too many vivid examples across our spiritual landscape of people and churches trapped in yesterday.

One of the major themes for 2019 was transition. I believe a keyword God is speaking for 2020 is this: The Holy Spirit is bringing a fresh anointing for His sons and daughters to be ambassadors. This anointing is for anyone who will reach out and grab it. This anointing is for anyone who will make being

an ambassador for Christ a priority in life. Let me remind you that by being baptized in the name of the Holy Spirit, we are baptized to be His ambassadors.

The dictionary defines an ambassador as “the highest-ranking person who represents his or her government while living in another country”. This definition is the perfect description of who we are as Christ-followers. We are priests (the highest-ranking people), representing God’s kingdom (His government), while we live in another country (the world, Phil. 3:20).

As I meditated on this vision these past weeks, God made it clear to me that there are two keys to receiving this fresh anointing to be the proclaimers of His kingdom on the earth this coming year—and years to come. We must be humble and repentant.

Humility is the bedrock of Christlikeness. And humility is so closely linked with living in repentance—the genuinely joy-filled life. Humility frees us to seek a life that denies self and gives up the pursuit of honor from people. It empowers us to find approval from God alone. Christianity that is typified by humility will overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil.

Christ-like humility destroys pride. Pride is the root of all lack of love. Any time we recognize indifference in our life to the feelings of others, any time we become aware of the judgments of others springing up in daily living, pride is the culprit.

Repentance is the pathway to see God (Heb. 12:14). It is God’s strategy for us to be overcomers. It is the mercy and goodness of God that leads us to recognize sin and repent. Once we taste the cleansing and freedom that flows from repentance, we will thirst for it every day.

Now is the time to receive this fresh anointing to be Christ’s ambassadors. One pointed aspect of being His ambassador is the

readiness to share your faith with nonbelievers and lead them to saving faith in Christ. The fruit of a righteous and a wise life is to bring broken people into the kingdom of God, where they will find God's perfect design (Prov. 11:30).

It has only been in the past few years that I have made it a habit to share my faith as the Holy Spirit leads. It is a majestic and addictive feeling to guide a broken sinner to the experience of salvation. As I reflect on the "why" I didn't do this for over 40 years of following Christ, I come to two answers.

1. Though I know better, I was stuck in yesterday's thought—that it is the evangelist's job to reach the lost. Not only is that yesterday's thinking, but it is also a lie. Every one of us is called to be God's witnesses. We are all called to make disciples. I am apologetic if that offends you. But the gospel of Jesus is just that, often offensive. This gospel disrupts our comfortable life and familiar patterns.

2. I didn't feel equipped. With all my discipleship experiences, teachings, the study of the Word, prayer and Christian fellowship, I still didn't have the confidence to share my faith. Then, I discovered the one minute and 50-seconds gospel presentation of "The 3 Circles: Sharing the Gospel". I know you may be experiencing everything from skepticism to laughter at that this conclusion, but is the truth. I memorized—almost word for word—this little gospel presentation. The Holy Spirit empowered me. "The Three Circles" isn't perfect, but it placed in my life an efficient, powerful tool to work with and share my faith.

There is no better time in your life than right now to receive a fresh anointing from the Holy Spirit to be God's ambassador. You can stop, pray and receive from the Spirit of God. Don't miss what God is doing today.

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