

Prophetic Vision: The Battle is the Lord's

Earlier this year, as I prayed, I saw a quick but vivid vision of a huge, white angel with huge wings. I wondered at its appearance, pondering and asking the Lord about this angel.

A short while later, again as I prayed, I saw another vision of the angel, but this time my eyes were drawn to the sheathed swords that the angel held in his hands.

As I saw this vision, I heard the words "The battle is the Lord's." I believe battle-ready angels are being sent to stand guard, unsheathing their swords to war against the enemy on our behalf. I believe that we have entered a season where our Lord and captain of the hosts of heaven named Jehovah Sabaoth, is sending forth and releasing His angelic army to fight battles on behalf of His people and nations.

This is a prophetic word of encouragement for many this year who are already feeling that their battle had been too heavy and lengthy, with no end in sight. Angels have been sent from heaven to guard assignments and destinies, and to protect and encamp the saints of God, pushing off the army of darkness.

How to Partner with Angels

The angel I saw stood silent, watchfully vigilant, but seemed to be waiting for a command. There are several ways we are to partner with these powerful angels who have been sent on our behalf:

1. Angelic activation through obedience to your call: Several years ago, I was ministering at a church conference in the Netherlands when the Lord gave me a word for a young man who looked about 19. I told him the angels assigned to him by the Lord were waiting for him to step out in obedience to the call

of God in his life, and that as he obeyed this call, they would be activated to partner with him and assist him in his call. He was not alone but had angels sent to serve the purposes of God on his life.

This young man wept profusely, telling me my words were a confirmation as the Lord had told him that often. My prophetic word to him had not only encouraged him, but it helped him to understand what he needed to do in order for the angelic to manifest in his life. *Without his obedience, the angels could do nothing.* He determined that night to step into what the Lord had called him to do.

Have you been called to fulfill a heavenly mandate or assignment? Be unafraid and step into all the Lord has for you, for you are not alone. Kingdom assignments that have been stalled will receive divine acceleration as the Lord's angels remove demonic obstructions blocking these assignments. At the Lord's command, these angelic beings will unsheathe their swords and fight on your behalf to enable you enter into your divine inheritance.

2. Angelic protection through praying the Word: Divine intervention is being sent to stop accidents planned against the saints of God. As the Lord has His array of warrior angels to fight on our behalf, so the kingdom of darkness has its assignments to cause destruction. One of the strategies of the enemy is to cause untimely death through accidents. Many accidents are not ordinary, but are in fact caused by various demonic spirits.

Last year whilst ministering in Nigeria, I was being driven in a vehicle to minister at an early morning church service when a car suddenly swerved in front of us, almost hitting our vehicle. In order to avoid the car, my driver swerved, and the sudden movement caused our car to bounce repeatedly, almost hitting the nearby bridge over the ocean. It looked as if it was inevitable that our car would crash into the water.

Suddenly, our car stopped as if an unseen angel had steadied it and moved it out of harm's way. We were stunned and so grateful to witness our miraculous salvation from that accident. We thanked God that His angel had steadied our car and removed demonic enemies that had been sent to cause that accident.

In order to partner with these angels that are sent to protect us from untimely accidents, I encourage you to pray Psalm 34:7 and Psalm 91:11-12, that an encampment of angels would surround you to protect and defend you.

3. Angelic release through living a life of purity: A life of purity in the fear of the Lord is important for the release of His angels.

Unsheathed Swords

In seasons of imminent attack, His holy angels will unsheathe their swords, ready to attack with ferocity, the enemies of the Lord that have been sent against us.

Whilst ministering in France some years ago, I had just finished a fruitful but intense ministry trip and was staying in my translator's home. My translator, though a believer, had parents who were not only unsaved but had a home filled with various occult charms and a witchdoctor amulet.

I had been invited to stay in her parent's home for the night, after we had ministered at various churches. The Lord then led me to minister the gospel to her household, who all got saved. However, they still kept the various occult charms in their home because they did not yet understand how evil they were.

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