

**The 72**

Equipping for Kingdom Leaders and Believers  
 Theme: Stoking the Fires of the Prophetic Spirit  
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**I We need PROPHECY.**

- 1 The noise of the world's culture can drown out the noise of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 The prophetic has suffered much \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ due to the distress of our times. (*Matthew 24:11-12; 1 John 4:1*)
- 3 Without the Word and prophetic revelation, \_\_\_\_\_ and fear increase in our lives.

**Proverbs 29:18 (NIV)**

<sup>18</sup> Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's instruction.

**Hosea 4:6a (ESV)**

<sup>6</sup> My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...

**Psalms 1:1-3 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; <sup>2</sup> but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. <sup>3</sup> He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

- 4 Prophetic Ministry brings opportunity for \_\_\_\_\_ that releases God's power and plans. (*Matthew 18:19*)

**II Prophecy is a priority for the Lord.**

- 1 The nature of the Lord is \_\_\_\_\_ (*John 4:23-24*).

**Amos 3:7 (ESV)**

<sup>7</sup> "For the Lord GOD does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets.

- God's heart is to share His \_\_\_\_\_.

**Acts 2:17-18 (CSB)**

<sup>17</sup> And it will be in the last days, says God, that I will pour out my Spirit on all people; then your sons and your daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> I will even pour out my Spirit on my servants in those days, both men and women and they will prophesy.

- Visions, dreams, and words are the primary \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus' Kingdom.

**1 Corinthians 14:1 (NIV)**

<sup>1</sup> Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts of the Spirit, especially prophecy.

- Prophecy and the miraculous are the fruit of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 3:16 (CSB)**

<sup>16</sup> John answered them all, “I baptize you with water, but one who is more powerful than I am is coming. I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

- Immersion in the Holy Spirit is an immersion in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_!

**III In Personal Spiritual Warfare****1 Samuel 30:6–8 (ESV)**

<sup>6</sup> And David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because all the people were bitter in soul, each for his sons and daughters. But David strengthened himself in the LORD his God. <sup>7</sup> And David said to Abiathar the priest, the son of Ahimelech, “Bring me the ephod.” So Abiathar brought the ephod to David. <sup>8</sup> And David inquired of the LORD, “Shall I pursue after this band? Shall I overtake them?” He answered him, “Pursue, for you shall surely overtake and shall surely rescue.”

- How did David strengthen himself in the Lord?

**Jude 17–23 (CSB)**

<sup>17</sup> But you, dear friends, remember what was predicted by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> They told you, “In the end time there will be scoffers living according to their own ungodly desires.” <sup>19</sup> These people create divisions and are worldly, not having the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> But you, dear friends, as you build yourselves up in your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, <sup>21</sup> keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting expectantly for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ for eternal life. <sup>22</sup> Have mercy on those who waver; <sup>23</sup> save others by snatching them from the fire; have mercy on others but with fear, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.

- Where do we build ourselves up?

**IV Not all voices are from the Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Your \_\_\_\_\_ Voice

**Galatians 5:17 (CSB)**

<sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is against the Spirit, and the Spirit desires what is against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you don't do what you want.

2 **The Voice of** \_\_\_\_\_**John 15:14–15 (CSB)**

<sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants anymore, because a servant doesn't know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have heard from my Father.

3 **The Voice of** \_\_\_\_\_**James 4:4 (CSB)**

<sup>4</sup> You adulterous people! Don't you know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? So whoever wants to be the friend of the world becomes the enemy of God.

4 **The Voice of** \_\_\_\_\_**Ephesians 4:26–27 (NIV)**

<sup>26</sup> "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, <sup>27</sup> and do not give the devil a foothold.

5 **The Voice of** \_\_\_\_\_

- What does the voice of the Lord sound like?

V **"Testing the Spirits"****1 John 4:1–3 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup> Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. <sup>2</sup> By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, <sup>3</sup> and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already.

1 Does *the Word* affirm the historicity and \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ?

2 Does *the Word* cause \_\_\_\_\_?

3 Does the Word produce undo \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_?

4 Does *the Word* fuel \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_?

5 Does *the Word* undermine God's \_\_\_\_\_ and the integrity of His house?

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- 6 Does *the Word* increase God's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_?
  - 7 Does *the Word* \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ another's life?
  - 8 Does *the Word* increase the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit?
  - 9 Does *the Word* stay within the \_\_\_\_\_ of Scripture?

#### VI Practical Steps to Stoke the Fires of Prophecy

- 1 Be in the \_\_\_\_\_ every day. (**Hebrews 4:12-13**)
- 2 Make \_\_\_\_\_ a priority. (**1 John 4:7-8**)
- 3 Ask the Lord for the \_\_\_\_\_ in increasing measure. (**Luke 11:13; Eph. 5:18**)
- 4 Create an atmosphere of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 Make prayer a \_\_\_\_\_ to the Holy Spirit.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ in the Holy Spirit. (**Eph. 6:18; Jude 20**)
- 7 Regularly examine your life before the Lord and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8 Create space for \_\_\_\_\_ (and prophetic Words) in your teams.
- 9 When you pray (for others), regularly release Words that build up, strengthen, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- 10 Seek \_\_\_\_\_ for your prayer requests.
- 11 Desire a “\_\_\_\_\_” of the anointing. (**2 Kings 2:9-14; John 14:12-14**)

#### VII Don't be \_\_\_\_\_!