WHAT HAPPENED AND WHAT'S NEXT?

Dear Friends,

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Prior to the election of 2008, the Lord gave a prophetic warning during one of our Sunday church services that if Christians did not vote according to His word, it would be the worst four years in this nation's history. It is important to note this was not a prophecy declaring that Barack Obama would be a one-term president, because at the end of those four years another election would be held.

Leading up to the most recent election held on Tuesday, November 6, there were a great many ministers, prophets and lay Christians who publicly declared they had received prophecies and visions from God wherein He had clearly revealed to them that Barack Obama would be defeated in the election and that Mitt Romney would be our next president. I had a great hope that they were correct, but also had a troubling in my spirit about the words they were sharing. This troubling was due in part to a prophetic word delivered in our church on May 20, 2012 wherein God stated He was very angry about the outcome of the election because He already knew what the outcome would be (to receive a CD of that prophecy, contact our ministry).

The question many could have is, "How could so many people have been wrong in their prophecies." The answer to that is very simple: they did not hear God, and the dreams and visions were not from God. What most likely happened is that what they experienced was birthed out of an intense desire of what they wanted to see take place.

Does this mean we should never again listen to anything these ministers and lay people have to say? No; but we must be extremely cautious about anything they declare as a prophecy and seek God for clarification and confirmation. It also underscores our critical need for ongoing fellowship with the Holy Spirit and the anointing He makes available to guard us against deception (1 John 2:18-27).

Exodus 32:1-10 I have a remnant that has remained on the mountain top with Me while the majority of My children have turned to a golden calf approved by religious leaders whose hearts are far from Me. Just as the Israelites willingly gave of their wealth to build the golden calf, My children have voted to give of their blessings in support of the golden calf they have elected. For you see, they have not simply elected a man, they have elected a system that will lead to greater hardship and apostasy.

Verses 5-6 - So many of those who compromised My holiness in favor of Satanic lies attended their churches on Sunday, went through the motions of a religious encounter with Me, then went to the polls on Tuesday to vote Me further out of their lives and their nation. They have sown iniquity into this land and iniquity is what they shall reap.

Their blindness is complete. Like Israel, they demanded a king who would meet their needs and do <u>for</u> them rather than require <u>of</u> them. Spiritual leadership will <u>always</u> require <u>of</u> people, for this is the standard established by Me in My word. Some will recover from this blindness; but for most, this is a spiritual condition from which they will never recover. They have sold themselves as slaves to the god of this world. Many of them are on the path which leads completely away from Me, and My heart breaks for them because they are going to spend eternity in the lake of fire.

Your nation has turned a corner and there is no return. Never in the history of humanity has a world power fallen so quickly, and it is all because My children have refused to sell out totally unto Me. Do you not realize that My life in people is the stabilizing factor for the success of a nation? If you deny the power of My life in you and the blessings I will pour out as My people are obedient to Me, why do you think a nation will survive?

My children cry out to Me to hold the ungodly and unrighteous accountable for their behavior and rebellion against My word. But why should I hold them more accountable than My children? My children are the ones who should be setting the example of righteous living. Is it not a contradiction for My children to expect the lost to live as though they are saved? Should not I expect those who are saved to live according to My salvation life in them?

I hold My children accountable for their unrighteous and ungodly behavior. I hold them to blame for what is happening in your land; for did I not say that greater is he who is in you than he who is in the world? If you choose to live by the greatness of My life in you, do you not think it will strengthen your nation and bring about My manifested blessings?

(NOTE: As the Lord was speaking the things to me contained in the next paragraph, I immediately stopped typing. It wasn't that I was doubting the Lord. Rather, I was doubting myself that I was hearing the Lord, thinking that my own imagination had taken over. Before I continued typing, I went to the internet to research the accuracy of the dates I believed I was hearing. The dates and timing were exactly what the Lord had said. It was almost like a cold chill went up my spine because I have never heard anyone else share or teach what I heard God say, which is in the next paragraph.)

Many in your country have wondered why the Vietnam War ended with such a feeling of defeat. Study your history and you will know precisely what happened. In 1963, you effectively removed prayer and Bible reading from your schools. In 1965, you sent your ground troops into Vietnam; this was the first time in your history you entered into war without a national foundation of prayer and My word. In January of 1973 your Supreme Court reversed laws banning abortion, thus violating My command not to shed innocent blood. Then, in October of 1973 your leaders agreed to a cease-fire in Vietnam that, in reality, was nothing more than a veiled attempt to retain dignity and respect. You could have continued fighting, but you would have had no decisive victory.

Why do you think your military engagements have been so chaotic since that time? Why do you think your war in Afghanistan has gone on so long? Could I not give you military victory as I did with Israel in the Old Testament? Could I not go before your armies and release confusion in the camps of the enemy? Could I not reveal to your military leaders the plans of the enemy forces? Of course I could do all of these things and more. But you have turned further and further away from Me, and My voice is no longer heard with clarity in the land.

Once you, My Church, sat back in silence as your government removed the national foundation of prayer and Bible reading in the schools, your nation has been in dramatic decline. Where were your protests? Where was your outrage? Where were your prayers for Me to move? If you, My Church, had joined as one voice to fill the halls of congress with your anger over such a decision, it would have been reversed. The same is true concerning abortion: if you had raised your voices in protest, your Supreme Court would never have had the opportunity to hear the case against the ban of abortion.

Your nation has crossed a line and there is no turning back. You have openly welcomed all nature of sin and turned your face away from Me and My word. You are on a path of continued conflict and strife. There is unfathomable wealth in your country; but without My leadership and guidance, you

will not be able to access its abundance. Confusion is dominating your financial circles, and the plans of man which would seem to work will fail. Though surrounded by enough wealth to sustain every citizen of your country, you have become paralyzed by your compromise and cannot obtain what is evident before your eyes.

As it was in the days of Noah, violence and corruption are rapidly filling your land. The day is coming when your law enforcement agencies are going to feel so overwhelmed that they will not investigate every murder. Criminals and their crimes will increase and many people are going to suffer great loss. Many in My Church will wonder, "Where is the Lord? Why is He not helping us?" But I say unto you, where are you; why haven't you feasted at the table of My word, satisfied your spiritual thirst at the fountain of My living water and dwelt daily at the throne of My grace?

The decisions of the Body of Christ have led to this situation. Evil will increase and wax worse because Christians have retreated from their strength. When My Son Jesus showed up, righteousness always exposed and triumphed over evil. This was because He refused to compromise for any reason. His dependency was totally and completely on the Father. Not all in My Church are to blame, for there are many, many who are truly seeking first My kingdom and My righteousness. But the hearts and voices of compromise have outnumbered the hearts of the true. Remember, I will not violate the will of man.

John 8:31-33 Beware the voice of the Pharisees, for it is growing louder and louder. They declared to My Son that the Jews were in bondage to no one. Yet, at the time they made that statement, they were under the rule and dominion of Rome. Though they had what appeared to be freedom to do as they pleased, they were in bondage to Caesar, paid taxes to him and he shed their blood under his maniacal orders for their execution.

The Pharisees in your nation have led so very many of My children into bondage to Caesar by declaring that bowing to his system would bring greater blessings and freedom. But I ask you: How can bowing to a man-created system of godless government produce blessings, freedom and security that are greater than what I offer? You do not get more because Caesar offers it to you; you already have more because you are a joint-heir with My Son. Caesar gives you nothing that does not cost you your freedom. Just as a fowler baits a trap with what appears to be free food for a bird, Caesar has continually baited his trap of enslavement with promises of a life without genuine responsibility.

1 Kings 22:1-28 Beware the voice of Zedekiah, for he has captured the ear of many in My Church and his influence is great. He speaks from his emotion, not by the voice of My Holy Spirit. He speaks what is popular in the hearts of many in My Church who have drifted from My throne of grace. He embraces theatrics and demonstrations of the unusual which capture the minds of the spiritually young and immature. Those who constantly seek for signs and ostentatious behavior are enamored by him. He outnumbers those who speak with the heart and voice of Micaiah. He is convinced his visions are of Me and that the voice he hears is mine. He is bold in his speech and will defend himself against those who contradict his words.

The houses of Zedekiah are full. Many people clamor to hear his words, for he pleases the senses and satiates the soul with teaching that is like a drug which dulls the conscience of My children. So many of My children flock to his throne and cast money at his feet to hear more of his placating words that mollify their inner man to spiritual slumber. They are addicted to the pleasure they feel in their souls like a person who lives for the high he gets from a dose of morphine. I see such Believers as junkies in a back alley whose spiritual eyes are glazed over from their most recent fix. Withdrawal for them will be very difficult, for it will call them to responsibility and accountability.

I am calling you to sit at the feet of the Micaiahs in My Church. They will not compromise. They will not seek their own. They will not speak to please the ears of the masses. They will speak the truth that angers many. They will be slapped with the words of Zedekiah for the purpose of being discredited, but they will not return the attack. However, they will be bold with My righteousness and not afraid to mark the name of Zedekiah.

To those in My Church who still have ears to hear, I call you to the houses of Micaiah, for Micaiah dwells in the secret place of the Most High and abides under the shadow of the Almighty. Humble yourself, purging yourself of all pride, and submit to the leadership of Micaiah, for he will not lead you astray. He seeks for My direction and follows Me in the paths of righteousness. He will speak anointed words of strength that I have birthed in his spirit. There is safety in his house. There is provision in his house. He understands his dependency on Me, and he is continually learning how to trust Me. The things he learns he will pass on to you, and you will have great peace when you follow the words of wisdom I speak through him. He is a vessel on whom I have placed My hand. (*The Lord used Zedekiah and Micaiah as examples. His reference to them is symbolic of the ministers who compromise and pastors who refuse to compromise.*)

Jeremiah 28:1-17 Beware the voice of Hananiah, for it is growing loud in the land. It is the voice of those in My church who prophecy lies about Me and what I am doing. More and more, these voices are bewitching many in My church to turn from truth to embrace heresy and error. Though their words promise My blessings, My approval, My anointing, My presence and My demonstrated power, they are all lies. Hananiah will tell you his words lead you out of bondage and into freedom. But his words are a trap; they cannot lead you out of bondage, but will actually take you to a place where a yoke of bondage will be laid upon those who take his words to heart.

Hananiah's standing is growing in My Church. More and more are being led astray. But did not My Son warn you that false prophets would arise as you get closer to His return? You must fellowship with My Holy Spirit and learn to discern the difference between the voice of Hananiah and the voice of Jeremiah. Hananiah's words are subtle, they are smooth and they are appealing to the senses. But did My Son not warn you that if even the very elect can be deceived, they will be deceived?

I have watched as so many in My Church have exalted Hananiahs to the seat of the elect. They flock to the self-constructed thrones of importance and stature where the Hananiahs dwell. They prefer the entertainment of a Hananiah over the established stability and integrity of a Jeremiah who is faithful to My word.

Just as I have called you to dwell in the house of Micaiah, I am calling you to tune your ears to the voice of the Jeremiah's I have raised up. They are not popular among the masses and they do not entertain. They do not embrace false signs, wonders and devils who appear as angels of light. They do not seek for the new and fresh; instead, they live by the tried and true of My word.

(*NOTE:* The following are not specific word-for-word prophecies from the Lord, but ideas or concepts that rose up very strong in my spirit as I was praying about the things being shared above.)

Because of the course of the two most recent presidential elections, the United States is now on a path toward electing a homosexual president. It may not happen, but the door is open for such a thing to take place.

Financial problems are going to increase. There will be ebbs and flows in the economy, but the overall trend will be downward. The government is going to do things to try and conceal the problem, but it will still exist. The nation's infrastructure will be impacted. There will be a trickle-

down effect impacting states and cities. There will be a revamping of the military that will be said is an improvement and a move toward greater efficiency. The truth is, it will be a weakening of the military and our ability to defend ourselves.

Do not be at all surprised if the United States takes a more hands-off approach to the wars and international conflicts that are going to increase. This could have a direct impact on the nation of Israel; for if the enemies of Israel believe the United States will have little or no military involvement in defending Israel, they will feel emboldened to attack. Between the economic problems, internal strife and diminished military, the United States could be neutralized from involvement in the end-times events recorded in Revelation.

[The Lord then led me to Psalm 37 and used it as a prophetic word of comfort for Believers who will diligently seek His face in the coming days of trouble and calamity. To hear this, be sure to order the sermon "What Happened and What's Next" at the end of this letter.]

1 Peter 3:12 As I lay in bed the night of the recent election I felt a tremendous anger inside, almost a violent anger. Three times I asked the Lord what was going on and why was I feeling that way. He helped me understand that I was feeling an anger similar to what Moses, the prophets and Jesus felt when people who knew better turned their back on the Lord and chose the ways of the world over His ways.

As I lay there thinking about that He said, "Don't worry; I will preserve you." He did not say, "I will preserve all Christians," He said, "I will preserve *you.*" I clearly understood what He meant. Whether or not I am preserved by Him is totally dependent on my decision and determination to walk in His ways and keep His word. The same is true for every Believer: you will be preserved if you keep pressing deeper into Him and adhere to His standards of holiness and righteousness.

Next month I will share the prophecy the Lord gave as a follow-up to the one I've shared this month.

May God's peace fill your life!

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