

PARTNERING WITH PROPHECY

Prophecy is our history written in advance. Each prophetic word comes to us from the future. God stands in the future and speaks to us in the present and declares and describes who we will be when we arrive at that place in time. Those prophecies must become as true in our hearts as they are in the heart of God who spoke them to us.

It is our desire that you, as individuals and as teams, will take each prophetic word and process it through the steps below which will help you receive the full impact of the word.

Before getting started, have a recording of the original prophecy as it was given if possible, and have a copy of it to be handed out to each person in the group.

Encourage each person to bring a small journal that will be used for each prophetic word that is studied.

STEPS TO UNPACKING PROPHETIC WORDS

1. If possible, **listen** to the recording of the prophecy. If that isn't possible, have someone read it, slowly and with purpose.
2. **Listen** to the recording or reading several times without taking notes. Let the words sink in.
3. Taking the copy of the word, **write** it out in short paragraphs so that it becomes even more familiar to you as you write it in your own handwriting.
4. Taking the short paragraphs you have written, **rewrite** it into bullet points that are no longer than one sentence in length.
5. Looking at the bullet points, **look** for themes and **rewrite** the bullet points grouping them by theme.
6. **Look** again for certain words or phrases that are repeated and make a **tally** for those used repeatedly.
7. **Look** for descriptive words and **study** them.
8. At any time you are feeling overwhelmed, unequipped, or stuck, stop. **Take a deep breath. Ask** the Holy Spirit who is brilliant to guide you and to help you see everything that is hidden in this word for it is filled with treasure for where you are going and it reveals who you are becoming.
9. **Journal** your thoughts as Holy Spirit reveals Heaven's purposes for this word.
10. As you break this word down you will find that your faith rises as you see as where Heaven is taking you. (Note: Prophecy builds faith and faith is always attacked by lethargy which is a mild form of unbelief. Give it no place. What He has spoken will come to pass.)
11. Take time to simply think about what you have discovered as you have listened, written, bulleted, grouped in themes, and studied.
12. Journal any scriptures that rise as you think about this word.
13. Looking back over the word, look for specific promises and identity them as such in your journal.
14. Ask Holy Spirit what steps you/your team must take to partner with Heaven to receive the fullness of this word.