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Dear City of Praise Family,

16 For we did not follow cleverly devised stories when we told you about the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in power, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. 17 He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." [b] 18 We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.

19 We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. 20 Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. 21 For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

(1 Peter 1:16-21)

God bless you,

*Bishop Joel and
Pastor Ylawnda Peebles*

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WELCOME TO YOUR SEASON: THEOLOGY, PROPHECY AND POTENCY

By: Bishop Joel Peebles

The Truth About Prophecy:
FIRST, this is the warning to the end-time church:

2 Timothy 4:3-4 (AMP)

For the time will come when people will not tolerate sound doctrine and accurate instruction [that challenges them with God's truth]; but wanting to have their ears tickled [with something pleasing], they will accumulate for themselves [many] teachers [one after another, chosen] to satisfy their own desires and to support the errors they hold, and will turn their ears away from the truth and will wander off into myths and man-made fictions [and will accept the unacceptable].

I. God absolutely confirms and ordains the office of the prophet.

Ephesians 4:11-16

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

II. The fruit of Godly Prophecy is:

1 Corinthians 14:3

But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort.

III. Again, God ordained prophecy, but there's one main stipulation which is often overlooked.

1 Thessalonians 5:19-22

*19 Do not quench the Spirit.
20 Do not treat prophecies with contempt
21 but test them all; hold on to what is good,
22 reject every kind of evil.*

IV. The church has to be extremely watchful and mature because part of Satan's end time strategy is to infiltrate the Body of Christ with false prophets.

Matthew 24:24 NKJV

For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.

V. Always do this before you receive a prophecy or let someone prophesy over you...

1 John 4:1

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.

VI. How to know the prophet is of God and the prophecy is correct

• Prophet

Matthew 7:15-17

Beware of false prophets who come disguised as harmless sheep but are really vicious wolves. You can identify them by their fruit, that is, by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? A good tree produces good fruit, and a bad tree produces bad fruit.

• Prophecy



Deuteronomy 18 (NLT)

But any prophet who falsely claims to speak in my name or who speaks in the name of another god must die. But you may wonder, 'How will we know whether or not a prophecy is from the Lord?' If the prophet speaks in the Lord's name but his prediction does not happen or come true, you will know that the Lord did not give that message. That prophet has spoken without my authority and need not be feared.

- When your prophecy is from you and not God...

Revelations 22:18-19 (ESV)

I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

VI. It is dangerous to want prophecy over GOD'S WORD! (Note to self, teach them not to get ripped off).

Romans 16:18 ESV

For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive.

Jeremiah 23:25-28

I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed. How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart; Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbor, as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal.

The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? saith the Lord.

Prophecy brings awareness but THE SCRIPTURES BRING POWER!

Jeremiah 23:29-30

"Is not my word like fire?" declares the Lord, "and like a

hammer which shatters a rock? Therefore behold, I am against the prophets," declares the Lord, 'who steal my words from each other.'

Power to Create — Genesis 1-2

Power to Heal — Psalm 107:20

Power to Give Complete Life — Matthew 4:4

Power to Save Us from Deception — Hebrews 4:12

The Power to Make Us Wise — Psalm 19:7

The Power to Reward — Hebrews 11:6

The Power to Get Us Ready - Psalms 119:105

Ephesians 4:14-16

Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Additional Notes:

PROPHECY COMES IN 2 CATEGORIES, FORETELLING AND FOURTH TELLING.

Foretelling is to tell ahead of time things in the mind of God concerning the people, person, places or event, but is not fortune telling (see Exodus 9:1).

Forth telling is to speak forth, tell out or tell forward what is in the mind of God (see Joshua 3:8).

Bible Prophecy important! 26.8% of bible is prophecy--many prophecies still not yet fulfilled (for future)! 73.2% of the Bible is Directed Word.

2 Peter 1:20-21

No prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

According to "The Encyclopedia of Biblical Prophecy" by J. Barton Payne, there are 1,239 prophecies in the Old Testament and 578 prophecies in the New Testament for a total of 1,817. These prophecies are contained in 8,352 of the Bible's verses. Since there are 31,124 verses in the Bible, the 8,352 verses that contain prophecy constitute 26.8 percent of the Bible's volume.





Chelesea Mikasa Bryant

Student Government President, Basketball Team Captain
And Honor Roll Student
On the Road to Louisiana State University



Chelesea Bryant is a 2021 graduate of Chesapeake Math & IT Academy South (CMITS). While a senior at CMITS, Chelsea was an excellent student who earned the distinction of being placed on the Principal's Honor Roll. She also served as the President of the Student Government Association (SGA) and of the SGA Executive Board. As a student athlete, she earned the title of Captain of the CMIT Varsity Girl's Basketball Team. She has been accepted into the pre-nursing program at Louisiana State University which she plans to attend in the fall semester.

Chelsea has been a member of the COPFM Road to College Ministry for five years. She is thankful for the many skills and lessons that have helped her to build her academic resume and for the practice examinations that helped her to be successful while taking the SAT. She is also thankful to the COPFM family for the assistance she received with writing her college admissions essays, filling out and paying for her college applications to universities, helping her to attend numerous college and career fairs, and providing a positive faith-based atmosphere with supportive role models that tailored not only to her needs but also to the needs of others.

Jordyn Byrd

Focused National Honor Society Scholar
And High School and Community College Graduate
On The Road to Bowie State University

Jordyn Byrd recently completed a dual enrollment program in Health Sciences at the Academy of Health Sciences and Prince Georges Community College where she also earned an Associates Of Arts Degree. Jordyn loves dance, music, writing poetry and mentoring and encouraging children.

She is a member of the National Society of High School Scholars, the National Society of Leadership and Success and the National Honor Society.

Jordyn has been a devoted youth leader in the City Kids Children's Church since she was an elementary school student and has participated in the COPFM Road to College Ministry since she was a middle school student. She is a member of the Leadership Links, #CAP (College Admissions Process Program) and also serves as a Teachers Assistant at the Divine Dance Institute. Jordyn was accepted to several universities and has decided to pursue a Bachelor's degree from Bowie State University where she will major in Biology. Her goal is to become a Pediatric Cardiologist.

Jordyn's favorite bible verse that always keeps her going is Isaiah 43:1 "Don't be afraid for I have redeemed you and called you by name. You are mine." She loves this verse so much because it reminds her about who she belongs to and what she is called to do.





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