



# God's Voice

PART TWELVE | PURE PROPHECY

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## 2. How does God speak?

No limit in how He speaks –

### 2.1 God's Word:

It is the foundation, filter and first tester of all that God says to us...

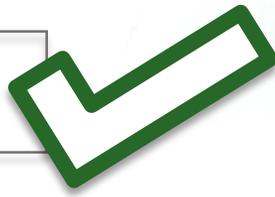
### 2.2 Holy Spirit and Prayer:

Indwelling Spirit of God in all of us as believers -  
Prayer | talking to God and hearing Him speak

**1 Kings 19:12 [Elijah] ...there was a voice, a soft whisper.**

*How He Speaks*

## 2.3 Dreams and Visions:



**Joel 2:28** “And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.”

## 2.4 Creation:



**Romans 1:20** For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world...

## 2.5 The Body:

- Believers and other people:

God speaks through others: Fellow disciples, friends and family, leaders

**A. Parents and Children:**

**B. Wise counsel:**

**C. Teaching and Gifts:**

**D. Prophecy:**

*God Speaks*

# D. Prophetic

What is prophecy?

“MESSAGE FROM GOD”

Can be -

- ✓ **Foretelling** [knowing or predicting the future] [*NORMALLY*] and
- ✓ **Forth-telling** [causing the future through declaration – proclaiming God’s truth in a situation and calling it forth] with authority | *As good as His voice through you...*

**prophéteia:** prophecy | GREEK | ‘clarified beforehand’

# Prophecy

**Revelation 19:10** ...For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

→ **Closer to God and His ways | RELATIONSHIP**

**1 Corinthians 14:1 Prophecy: A Superior Gift**

Pursue love and desire spiritual gifts, and above all that you may prophecy.

**1 Corinthians 14:3** But the one who prophesies speaks to people for their strengthening, encouraging and comfort.

### 3. Purity in Prophecy:

Why is purity in  
prophecy absolutely  
essential?

We want to know the  
authentic and not be experts of  
the fake.



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# Testing

- It is relational, not mechanical
- **HAVE YOU EVER TESTED A PROPHECY?**
- It is knowing the Shepherd, the character of the Father, the Holy Spirit

**John 18:37-39** Pilate therefore said to Him, “Are You a king then?” Jesus answered, “You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.”

### 3.1 Test all prophecies:

**1 Thessalonians 5:16** Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 19 Do not quench the Spirit. 20 Do not despise prophecies. 21 Test all things; hold fast what is good. 22 Abstain from every form of evil.

**1 John 4:1** “Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God...”

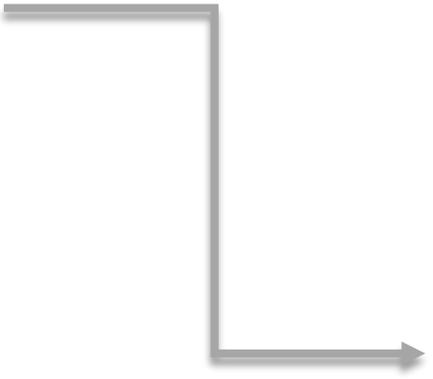
## 3.2 Prophecy must align with the Word:

**John 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the **Word was God**.

↳ **Revelation 19:10** ...For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

- *Heart of testimony is Jesus – Jesus is the Word*
- *We can't have prophecies conflicting with the Word*
- *We need to know the Word*
- *God's written Word is the highest authority*

**Isaiah 8:20** “To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.”



**2 Timothy 3:16-17** All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

*The Word*

### 3.3 The fruit and the character of the prophet matters:

**Matthew 7:15** “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. **16 You will know them by their fruits.** Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? 17 Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. 18 A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit.

- **Fruit, not gifts**

...The fruit and the character of the prophesier matters:

## I Never Knew You

**Matthew 7:21** “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. 22 Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ 23 And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’

- **Peddling prophecy or pure prophecy?**

*Known by Jesus*

...The fruit and the character of the prophet matters:

**1 Corinthians 14:32** “The spirits of prophets are subject to prophets.”

- **Order and submission**

**1 Corinthians 13:9** “We know in part and we prophesy in part...”

- **Love and humility**

### 3.4 Confirmed in the Body and for the Body:

**1 Corinthians 14:29** “Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others weigh what is said.”

**1 Corinthians 12:7** Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. NIV

“But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all...” NKJV

*AND*

**1 Corinthians 14:12** So it is with you. Since you are eager for gifts of the Spirit, try to excel in those that build up the church.



ISAIAH 60:1

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Let's Pray