

Prophesy – Speak under inspiration

Numbers 23:19-20 (NLT) - 19 God is not a man, so he does not lie.

He is not human, so he does not change his mind.

Has he ever spoken and failed to act?

Has he ever promised and not carried it through?

20 Listen, I received a command to bless;

God has blessed, and I cannot reverse it!

Hebrews 13:8 (NLT) - 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

James 1:17 (NLT) - 17 Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who created all the lights in the heavens. He never changes or casts a shifting shadow

Like trees along a riverbank.

Jeremiah 17:8 (NLT) - 8 They are like trees planted along a riverbank,
with roots that reach deep into the water.

Such trees are not bothered by the heat

or worried by long months of drought.

Their leaves stay green,

and they never stop producing fruit.

How did this come to us?

What does this look like?

2. Go out where it is deeper

Luke 5:1-7 (NLT) - 5 One day as Jesus was preaching on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, great crowds pressed in on him to listen to the word of God. 2 He noticed two empty boats at the water's edge, for the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. 3 Stepping into one of the boats, Jesus asked Simon, its owner, to push it out into the water. So he sat in the boat and taught the crowds from there.

4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Now go out where it is deeper, and let down your nets to catch some fish." 5 "Master," Simon replied, "we worked hard all last night and didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, I'll let the nets down again." 6 And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear! 7 A shout for help brought their partners in the other boat, and soon both boats were filled with fish and on the verge of sinking....they will stream there to worship.

Isaiah 2:2(NLT) - In the last days, the mountain of the Lord's house
will be the highest of all—

the most important place on earth.

It will be raised above the other hills,

and people from all over the world will stream there to worship.

4. Parish

Matthew 22:34-40 (NLT) - 34 But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees with his reply, they met together to question him again. 35 One of them, an expert in religious law, tried to trap him with this question: 36 "Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?" 37 Jesus replied, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.' 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' 40 The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments."

ACT 2 PREPARE

Joshua 1:1-11 (NLT) - 1 After the death of Moses the Lord's servant, the Lord spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant. He said, 2 "Moses my servant is dead. Therefore, the time has come for you to lead these people, the Israelites, across the Jordan River into the land I am giving them. 3 I promise you what I promised Moses: 'Wherever you set foot, you will be on land I have given you— 4 from the Negev wilderness in the south to the Lebanon mountains in the north, from the Euphrates River in the east to the Mediterranean Sea in the west, including all the land of the Hittites.' 5 No one will be able to stand against you as long as you live. For I will be with you as I was with Moses. I will not fail you or abandon you.

6 "Be strong and courageous, for you are the one who will lead these people to possess all the land I swore to their ancestors I would give them. 7 Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the instructions Moses gave you. Do not deviate from them, turning either to the right or to the left. Then you will be successful in everything you do. 8 Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do. 9 This is my command— be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

10 Joshua then commanded the officers of Israel, 11 "Go through the camp and tell the people to get their provisions ready. In three days you will cross the Jordan River and take possession of the land the Lord your God is giving you."

Go.

Matthew 28:18-20 (NLT) - 18 Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. 19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. 20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Study Guide

This last Sunday was Vision Sunday, where we took a look back at what God has said to us, how that has manifested so far and how it informs our view of the future. Take a moment to look back over what God has said to us at Riverside. As you look them over, how have you seen these manifest in the church? How about your own life?

In the second part of Vision Sunday we spoke about Prepare, and how God was calling us to prepare for what was coming and to move into a greater manifestation of what He has said to us. The major theme of the second part of Vision Sunday was about how we engaged with the world. One of the scriptures we spoke about was Romans 10:13-15. Take a moment to read that together. As you read that, what do you think of? What do you think it looks like for you to be a sent person? How can people see God in your life? How are you intentionally taking Jesus with you out into the world?

Take some time to pray for the church, that we might be inspired by what God has said and that we would view the future with a sense of hopeful anticipation!