

## The word of the Lord for 2009: Your Year to "Breakthrough into Destiny" January 01, 2009

#### **Review: Outpouring 2008**

I feel that this outpouring will continue in 2009. Continue to seek God for more of His Spirit and His blessings in 2009! Some how I do not feel a closure to what the Lord spoke for 2008...lets continue to seek God for more of His presence in 2009...

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I desire for us as a church to become more keen in the prophetic - to hear what the Lord is saying and to pursue that with a sense of prophetic purpose. It is not enough to hear what God is saying. We need strong prophetic purpose to pursue till what God has spoken becomes our experience.

Personal prophecy or congregational prophecy is an expression of God's intent. This is what God intends doing. It is now up to us to align ourselves and follow through to receive.

And at the same time, we must not neglect the written Word of God. This is our "Gold Standard". All prophecy is evaluated against it. The written Word is what we live by consistently.

In giving the WoL for 2009, the purpose it to highlight what the Lord will predominantly do amongst us. This is not to say that He will not do other things. Of course, God will do many other things. God will work uniquely in all our lives, as He has been doing all along. However, the WoL is God telling us one of the major things we will experience in 2009, as individuals and as a church family.

# WoL 2009: 2009 is your year to "Breakthrough into destiny"

Destiny: that which is your life's purpose, your primary assignment in life, the fullness of your calling.

Joseph

Psalm 105:17-22

- 17 He sent a man before them— Joseph—who was sold as a slave.
- 18 They hurt his feet with fetters, He was laid in irons.
- 19 Until the time that his word came to pass, The word of the LORD tested him.
- 20 The king sent and released him, The ruler of the people let him go free.
- 21 He made him lord of his house, And ruler of all his possessions,
- 22 To bind his princes at his pleasure, And teach his elders wisdom.

The time, the set time for you to step in to your destiny has come.

Moses, David, Paul and many others, did many "other" things until the time came for them to "breakthrough into destiny".



For some of you, you will see that the wilderness years are over and you will cross over your Jordan this year. The time of testing, the time of preparation is complete and you will step into your destiny.

Some of you will go from just loving God to both loving and serving God this year. You were called to serve Him - and this will break forth on you this year. This is you breaking through into your destiny.

#### How will it come?

#### Moments of destiny

Capture your Moments of destiny. Walk with a keen ear listening to God and with the wisdom of God so that you respond accurately and in a timely manner to your "moments of destiny"

#### Marco Polo

Marco Polo (September 15, 1254 – January 9, 1324 at earliest but no later than June 1325) was a trader and explorer from the Venetian Republic who gained fame for his worldwide travels, recorded in the book Il Milione ("The Million" or The Travels of Marco Polo) also known as Oriente Poliano (the Orient of the Polos) and the Description of the World.

Polo, together with his father Niccolò and his uncle Maffeo, was one of the first Westerners to travel the Silk Road to China (which he called Cathay, after the Khitan) and visit Kublai Khan, a grandson of Genghis Khan and the founder of the Yuan Dynasty.

In 1264, Nicolò and Maffio joined up with an embassy sent by the Ilkhan Hulagu to his brother Kublai Khan. In 1266, they reached the seat of the Kublai Khan at Dadu, present day Beijing, China.

In his book, Il Milione, Marco explains how Kublai Khan officially received the Polos and sent them back with a Mongol named Koeketei as an ambassador to the Pope. They brought with them a letter from the Khan requesting 100 educated people to come and teach Christianity and Western customs to his people and oil from the lamp of the Holy Sepulcher. The letter also contained the paiza, a golden tablet a foot long and three inches (76 mm) wide, authorizing the holder to require and obtain lodging, horses and food throughout the Kublai Khan's dominion. Koeketei left in the middle of the journey, leaving the Polos to travel alone to Ayas in the Armenian Kingdom of Cilicia. From that port city, they sailed to Saint Jean d'Acre, capital of the Kingdom of Jerusalem.

Niccolo and Maffeo Polo remitting a letter from Kubilai to Pope Gregory X in 1271. The long sede vacante — between the death of Pope Clement IV, in 1268, and the election of Pope Gregory X, in 1271 — prevented the Polos from fulfilling Kublai's request. As suggested by Theobald Visconti, papal legate for the realm of Egypt, in Acre for the Ninth Crusade, the two brothers returned to Venice in 1269 or 1270, waiting for the nomination of the new Pope.

As soon as he was elected in 1271, Pope Gregory X received the letter from Kublai Khan, remitted by Niccolo and Maffeo. Kublai Khan was asking for the dispatch of a hundred missionaries, and some oil from the lamp of Jerusalem. The two Polos (this time



accompanied by the 17 year-old Marco Polo) returned to Mongolia, accompanied by two Dominican monks, Niccolo de Vicence and Guillaume de Tripoli. The two friars did not finish the voyage due to fear, but the Polos reached Kanbalig and remitted the presents from the Pope to Kublai in 1274.

(Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marco\_Polo)

### General Douglas McArthur

A few years after MacArthur became Chief of Staff, the beginnings of World War II were arising. MacArthur was in command of the Philippine Army which was attacked by the Japanese in December of 1941. MacArthur was moved to Australia where he was ordered to share command with Admiral Chester Nimitz. General MacArthur used American and Australian forces to coordinate an attack which led to the Japanese surrender. The day of the surrender Brigadier General MacArthur became Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces and was promoted to General of the Army, a five-star general. MacArthur occupied Japan to help rebuild its governmental system. A devout Episcopalian, MacArthur said to a visiting group of evangelicals that "Japan is a spiritual vacuum. If you do not fill it with Christianity, it will be filled with Communism. Send me 1,000 missionaries." He asked U.S. missionary societies to send "Bibles, Bibles and more Bibles."

(Source: <a href="http://www.hyperhistory.net/apwh/bios/b4macarthurd.htm">http://www.hyperhistory.net/apwh/bios/b4macarthurd.htm</a>)

God may present these moments of destiny in several different ways:

Invitations / Recognition Opportunities Transition/change Some of us will be supernaturally swept in to it. Some of us may have to press in to it.

Joseph (gift opened the way) Moses (burning bush encounter with God) David (people recognized and came to him) Paul (Word of the Lord came to the team)

Be bold to act

Write down the breakthroughs you need to step in to your destiny. In Dec 2009 look back to see the breakthroughs that have taken place in your life.





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