



The Mind of the Lord – A Prophetic People (Part-1)
Sunday October 05, 2025 – Sermon Outline

We usually plan our sermon themes/topics at the end of the year for the upcoming year. So as we looked ahead into 2025, we felt we should revisit and rekindle the prophetic amongst us as a people this year. However, we will take a different approach and emphasize the prophetic in everyday life – us being a prophetic people and how this impact our daily lives, in the work we do, in the way we serve God and serve one another and impact the world around.

During the month of October, as we do this sermon series on being “A Prophetic People”, we encourage you to read/review these free APC BOOKS. You can take a printed copy if you don’t already have it, download the PDF or Audio MP3 from our website or even read it in the APC Church App:

Understanding the Prophetic

Receiving God’s Guidance

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The Spirit of Wisdom, Revelation and Power

GOD DESIRES FOR ALL OF US TO BE PROPHETIC

In Numbers 11, as God was anointing about 70 leaders who were going to assist Moses in taking care of the people, these 70 leaders began to prophesy. Two of them were not in the same place as the other 68 men, who were with Moses. Joshua noticed them and “reported” them, and Moses made a statement, which not expressed his heart, but perhaps the very heart of God:

Numbers 11:29

Then Moses said to him, "Are you zealous for my sake? Oh, that all the LORD's people were prophets and that the LORD would put His Spirit upon them!"

Here we are in the New Testament, when God is doing just that by His Spirit. He said in Acts 2:17-18 that He is pouring out His Spirit on all flesh, so that everyone, men and women can prophesy, see visions, have dreams!

God really desires for all of His people to be prophetic.

Consider what the apostle Paul wrote to all believers:



1 Corinthians 14:1-3,

1 Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.

2 For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands him; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries.

3 But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.

31 For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged.

39 Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak with tongues.

All of these verses apply to all believers!

TO BE PROPHETIC IS TO KNOW AND UNDERSTAND THE MIND OF THE LORD, HIS WAYS AND THOUGHTS, SO THAT WE CAN THINK, ACT AND SPEAK ALIGNED TO HIM, ALL THE TIME.

So, our objective today, is to simply go through some Scriptures, that teach us that it is possible for us to know the mind of the Lord – to know His ways and thoughts – so that we can walk in them, live by them, act in accordance to what He is speaking to us.

We know that God's written Word, the Bible is the standard. It is the heart and mind of God to us. In prophecy, God may quicken the written Word or He may speak a direct word of revelation to teach, instruct and guide us into what He wants for us. **We need to be open to both. We always TEST a direct word of prophecy with the written Word** (we will discuss this later in this sermon series).

Let's just read through several Scriptures:

GOD REVEALS HIS SECRETS

Psalms 25:14

The secret of the LORD is with those who fear Him, And He will show them His covenant.

Proverbs 3:32

For the perverse person is an abomination to the LORD, But His secret counsel is with the upright.

Isaiah 42:9

Behold, the former things have come to pass, And new things I declare; Before they spring forth I tell you of them."



Isaiah 46:10

Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, 'My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure,'

Jeremiah 33:3

'Call to Me, and I will answer you, and **show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.**'

Daniel 2:22,28-30

22 **He reveals** deep and secret things; He knows what is in the darkness, And light dwells with Him.

28 But there is a God in heaven **who reveals secrets**, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will be in the latter days. Your dream, and the visions of your head upon your bed, were these:

29 As for you, O king, thoughts came to your mind while on your bed, about what would come to pass after this; and **He who reveals secrets** has made known to you what will be.

30 But as for me, this secret has not been revealed to me because I have more wisdom than anyone living, **but for our sakes** who make known the interpretation to the king, and that you may know the thoughts of your heart.

Amos 3:7

Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless **He reveals His secret** to His servants the prophets.

THE SPIRIT REVEALS AND UNVEILS

John 10:27

My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

John 16:13-15

13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, **He will guide you** into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but **whatever He hears He will speak**; and **He will tell you things to come.**

14 He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine **and declare it to you.**

15 All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and **declare it to you.**

1 Corinthians 2:9-16



9 But as it is written: "EYE HAS NOT SEEN, NOR EAR HEARD, NOR HAVE ENTERED INTO THE HEART OF MAN THE THINGS WHICH GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM."

10 But **God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.** For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.

11 For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, **that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.**

13 These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

14 But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

15 But **he who is spiritual judges all things**, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one.

16 For "WHO HAS KNOWN THE MIND OF THE LORD THAT HE MAY INSTRUCT HIM?" But **we have the mind of Christ.**

All of these Scriptures from both the Old and New Testaments show us that we can know the thoughts and ways of God. God is a God who speaks, who reveals, to communicates to us in the now.

We would invite us to do two things:

- 1, Learn to stand before the Lord
- 2, Learn to listen to the Holy Spirit in your spirit.

STAND BEFORE THE LORD

We must learn to stand before the Lord. This means you go before God, with the intention of hearing from Him, being fully attentive, ready to see, hear and receive from Him.

Jeremiah 23:18,22

18 For who has **stood in the counsel of the LORD**, And has **perceived** and **heard His word**? Who has **marked His word** and heard it?

22 But if they had stood in My counsel, And had caused My people to hear My words, Then they would have turned them from their evil way And from the evil of their doings.

stood = to present oneself, to attend upon, to wait upon

counsel = secret counsel, fellowship, friendship, intimacy



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perceived = to see, look at, inspect, perceive, consider
heard = to hear, listen to, obey, act upon
marked = to pay attention, listen attentively, to prick up the ears

Here is an example of Habakkuk, positioning himself to hear from God. When he did, God showed him something and told him to write it down:

Habakkuk 2:1-2

1 I will stand my watch And set myself on the rampart, And watch to see what He will say to me, And what I will answer when I am corrected.

2 Then the LORD answered me and said: "Write the vision And make it plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it.

The Easy To Read version renders verse 1 as:

(ERV) **I will stand like a guard and watch. I will wait to see what the LORD will say to me. I will wait and learn how he answers my questions.**

THE HOLY SPIRIT SPEAKS TO OUR SPIRITS

Job 32:8

But there is a spirit in man, And the breath of the Almighty gives him understanding.

Romans 8:16

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

Our goal here is not for us to go around supposedly giving 'words' to other people. **First and foremost, to be a prophetic people is to know the mind of the Lord in your own life and carry out what He wants you to do on the earth and release His ways and thoughts into areas that God has entrusted you with.**

So, we want to challenge each of us to know the mind of the Lord and apply this into our daily life – our family situations, our work, our ministry, and in addressing real life challenges to help people. Consider some practical reasons why we need to know the mind of the Lord and how this will help us:

WHY DO WE NEED THE MIND OF THE LORD?

- Make decisions – for your own life, family, in the workplace, in your areas of responsibility, etc.
- Plan for the future
- Bring God's word in season to people



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- Bring godly counsel to people
- Bring solutions to problems
- Create, invent, design
- Forecast, predict, prepare
- ..several more

SUMMARY

As we journey into growing together as “A Prophetic People” let us learn to stand before the Lord and listen to the Holy Spirit. Let us learn to release the mind of the Lord – His ways and thoughts – into our world, so that we can make a real difference in this world – bringing solutions to problems, advances in all spheres of life, bringing life and encouragement to those around us, so that people can encounter Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL

SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME

Minister as the Spirit leads



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There is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 1.5 to 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

Preparation

Life Group Leader: To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon or review the Sunday Sermon notes. Please do not make your life group read through the complete sermon notes during the life group. All you need to do is have individuals read the Scriptures listed below and then open for a time of discussion, sharing and learning using the questions given below. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#). Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture references: *1 Corinthians 14:1-3; 1 Corinthians 2:9-16; Habakkuk 2:1-2*

INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

Life Group is a discussion-based, participatory meeting with everyone given the opportunity to share their learning. Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

1, Review some of God's promises to reveal His secrets and His thoughts to us. From God's perspective, why would He want to reveal His secrets to us?



2, Consider how we “stand before the Lord” practically to position ourselves to hear from Him. Think about some practical ways to do this.

3, Consider how we can learn to listen to the Holy Spirit in our spirits, where the Holy Spirit speaks to us? What does it mean to listen to Him in our spirit? How do we do this practically?

Each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key insights and how they see themselves applying it to their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow, bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

1, families to be protected and strengthened

2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.

3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for all details to go well as we plan and build our Bible college and church facilities to serve the Lord and people.

Close by thanking God together.



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USEFUL RESOURCES

Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

YOUTUBE: <https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore>

WEBSITE: <https://apcwo.org/live>

Our other websites and free resources:

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FREE SERMONS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

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SERMON OUTLINE

In this sermon we review several promises in Scripture where God expresses His desire to speak to us, to reveal His secrets to us. We also consider two actions we can take: to stand before the Lord, and to listen to the Holy Spirit in our spirits. We discuss the practical purpose or application in knowing the mind of the Lord. This is Part-1 of A Prophetic People Sermon Series. This sermon includes free audio (mp3) and video of this powerful, motivational, expository teaching, free printable PDF sermon outlines, sermon notes and small group study guide with discussion questions and presentation slides. All resources (sermon PDF, sermon MP3, sermon video, sermon presentation) are free for use in personal study, small groups, Bible study prayer groups, local churches, conferences, Bible colleges, etc.

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