

Suggested Resources

Below is a list of resources that will help you dig deeper into the topic preached about this morning:

- Bill Johnson- *Releasing the Spirit of Prophecy: The Supernatural Power of Testimony* (this week's "Pastor's Pick")
- Bill Johnson & Randy Clark - *The Essential Guide to Healing: Equipping All Christians to Pray for the Sick*
- John Wimber - *I'm A Fool for Christ. Whose Fool Are You?* (DVD / audio) available at vineyardresources.com
- John Wimber - *Power Healing*
- Robby Dawkins - *Doing What Jesus Did*
- Tommy Welchel - *They Told Me Their Stories: The Youth and Children of Azusa Street Tell Their Stories*

Suggested Bibles

We teach from the Bible on Sundays and encourage you to read the Bible throughout the week. Here are a few recommended versions of it:

Quest Study Bible

"The Question and Answer Bible."

NIV First-Century Study Bible

explore Scripture in its Jewish and early Christian context

NIV Study Bible

contains over 20,000 study notes.

Teen Life Application Study Bible

includes sections explaining what the Bible has to say about the questions and issues teens face in the *Choices*, *I Wonder*, *Ultimate Issues*, and *My Story* features.

Kids Quest Study Bible

contains over 500 questions that kids ask, "Quest Challenges" to help you apply what you read and more!

Plus... be sure to stop by the Welcome Center in our lobby and pick up a FREE copy of our Bible Reading Plan... as well as a FREE Bible!

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The Spirit of Prophecy

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Week 1 of series: The Spirit of Prophecy

We want people to encounter God on Sundays and not just "go to church." That is why today's 75-minute service will include an in-depth Bible teaching, communion, worship (feel free to stand or sit as we sing), and an opportunity to receive 1-on-1 prayer.

The Spirit of Prophecy

(Dan Kopp - lead pastor of The Eastside Vineyard Church)

Notes:

Digging Deeper Questions

In our fast-paced culture, it's easy to be impacted by the sermon you hear at church on Sunday... only to forget about it by Monday. To make this message "stick" we created these Digging Deeper Questions so you can process and apply what you heard at church. Take some time this week to go through these questions by yourself, in your small group, with a friend, your family, or your roommate.

1. Icebreaker: What is a book or movie that you have read or watched more than once. Have fun with this question!
2. Is there anything you heard in this week's sermon or experienced in this week's service that was an "a ha" moment, something significant for you?
3. Prior to today's sermon have you ever heard someone quote Revelation 19:10: "For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." If yes, where did you hear it and did you know what it meant?
4. Read Acts 10:34. This verse says that God is no respecter of persons. In other words, God does not play favorites. Therefore, every good thing you read about God doing to a character in the Bible... he *could* do for you! Do you believe that? Why or why not?
5. The Hebrew word for "testimony" - *ehad* - literally means "to do again" or "to repeat." What is a story you either read in the Bible or heard in the life of someone you either personally know or read about in a Christian book where God did something to them that you would love for Him to "do again" in your life?
6. In his sermon "The Story of God's Mighty Acts" 19th century Baptist pastor Charles Spurgeon said, "When people hear about what God used to do, one of the things they say is: 'Oh, that was a very long while ago.' They imagine times have altered since then. [But] I thought it was God that did that. Has God changed? Is He not the same yesterday, today, and forever? Does that not furnish an argument to prove that what God has done at one time He can do at another? . . . I think I may push it a little further, and say what He has done once, is a prophecy of what He intends to do again — that the mighty works which have been accomplished in the olden time shall all be repeated." What word or phrase from what Spurgeon said stood out to you the most?

Before answering the next set of questions, read Genesis 1:26-27. In the passage, the word "male" is translated from the Hebrew word zakar which means "the remembering one." Adam was a remembering one and so are we! We are created to remember both the words of God and the works of God.

7. What are your favorite miracles that took place in the Bible? (Suggestion: try to go beyond the obvious answers like the Resurrection of Jesus and the parting of the Red Sea). What does remembering this story do to your level of faith?
8. What are your favorite stories where a person in the Bible encountered God in a life-altering way? How does remembering this story help you believe God for greater things in your life?
9. Share a time when you prayed about something that really mattered in your life and God answered it in an incredible way. Why do you think it is so important to remember your own personal history with God?

Key Passage:

For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

- Revelation 19:10 (NIV-1984)