

Suggested Resources

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

Jack Deere - *The Beginner's Guide to the Gift of Prophecy* (this week's "Pastor's Pick")

Bill Hybels - *The Power of a Whisper: Hearing God. Having the Guts to Respond.*

Wayne Grudem - *The Gift of Prophecy in the New Testament and Today* (Revised Edition)

Robby Dawkins - *Do What Jesus Did*

Larry Randolph - *User Friendly Prophecy*

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."

CSB Study Bible

The CSB Study Bible offers the award-winning Holman study system, which includes over 16,000 study notes, tools, word studies, and articles from respected Bible scholars.

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 Info Table in our lobby and pick up a FREE copy of our Bible Reading Plan... as well as a FREE Bible!

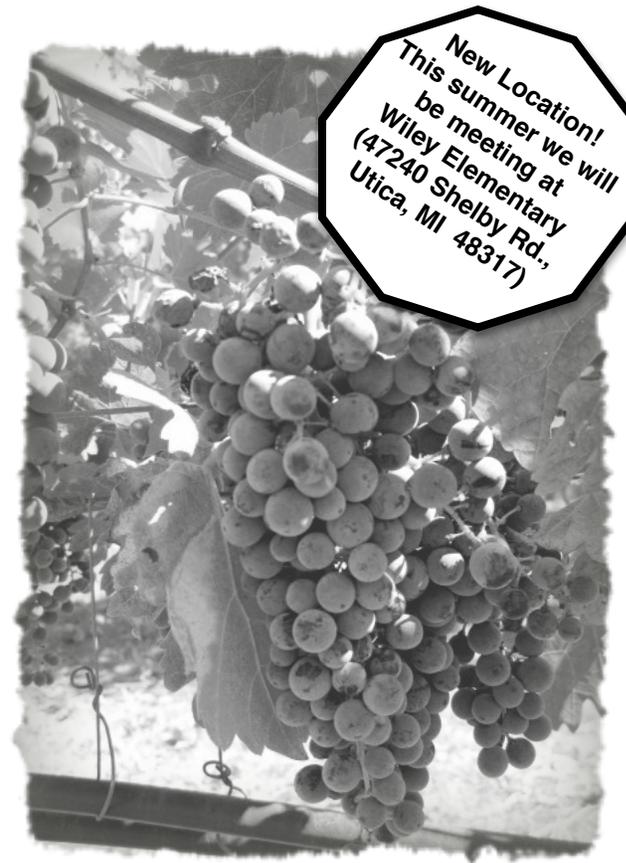
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New Location!
This summer we will
be meeting at
Wiley Elementary
(47240 Shelby Rd.,
Utica, MI 48317)

What Prophecy Is... and Isn't

August 20, 2017

Week 12 of series: Acts 29

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.

What Prophecy Is... and Isn't

(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: When you hear the word *prophet*, what words or images come to mind? 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. In the Vineyard movement, we believe there is no "Junior Holy Spirit." In other words, the same Holy Spirit that lives inside of adult believers lives inside of kids who believe in Jesus. Therefore, kids aren't just the future of the church, they are the *now* of the church! Do you tend to think of our Vineyard Kids in these terms? Why or why not?
4. Read Acts 2:17. This passage suggests that God can speak through children. Has this ever happened to you, where a child said something and you knew it was God speaking through them to you?
5. Have you ever felt that God spoke to you in a supernatural way? For example, have you felt that God gave you an impression about something, or you felt a nudge to do something or say something, or you "heard" God speak to you either in an audible or inaudible voice, or you had a dream or a vision that you felt was from God? If yes, share your experience with the group.
6. Read 1 Corinthians 14:1. Have you done what Paul commands you to do in this passage, to eagerly desire the gift of prophecy? Why or why not? For those who have not, what are some legitimate reasons why you have been leery about the gift of prophecy up to this point on your spiritual journey?
7. Which next step best describes where you are at on your spiritual journey when it comes to the gift of prophecy?
 - "I'm not sure what I believe about things like prophecy. I need to do my homework."
 - "I need to become more open to the supernatural aspects of my faith."
 - "I need to do what Paul tells me to do in 1 Corinthians 14:1, to begin passionately praying that God would give me the spiritual gift of prophecy."
 - "I need to practice the gift of prophecy."
8. Read 1 Corinthians 14:3. With this definition of prophecy in mind, who is someone that the Holy Spirit is nudging you to say strengthening, encouraging, or comforting words to? (Suggestion: don't wait—speak those words today via an e-mail, phone call, text, greeting card, or face-to-face!)

Key Passage:

...this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: And it will be in the last days, says God, that I will pour out my Spirit on all people; then your sons and your daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. I will even pour out my Spirit on my servants in those days, both men and women and they will prophesy.

- Acts 2:16-18 (CSB)