

“Be Zealous to Prophecy”

(I Cor. 14:39)

(How-to-Prophecy)

*The articles,
“Manifestation of your gift, holy spirit”
and
“How to Speak in Tongues”
should be read first before reading this article.*

(When quoting scriptures, from the Rotherham Emphasized Bible New Testament, I will substitute the Hebrew words Yahoshua (yeh-ho-shoo'-ah) for Jesus, Yahweh and Elohim for God and the LORD and ruah for pneuma (spirit).)

The Presence and Glory of Yahweh are manifested to His children, by way of uplifting words, through the manifestation of the spirit called prophecy. These communications from Yahweh come by way of the spirit of Yahweh that is within us.¹ We are commanded, “... be envious of the spiritual [pneumatikos]²,—and, rather, that ye may be prophesying” (I Cor. 14:1). We prophesy because, “he that prophesieth, unto men, doth speak—edification, and exhortation, and comfort” (I Cor. 14:3). The person who is prophesied to “...is convicted by all, he is searched by all, the secrets of his heart, become manifest, And, so, falling down upon his face, he will do homage unto Yahweh, reporting that, in reality, Yahweh is, among [in]³ you” (I Cor. 14:24-25). How many Churches today have services where its members fall down on their faces and say, “in truth, Yahweh is in you.” Only those that manifest the spirit of Yahweh by prophesying to its members in love! If you have been given the gift of holy spirit, which occurs when you believe and confess Romans 10:9, then you have been empowered and exhorted to operate that gift by prophesying in order to exalt the Body of the Christ.

¹ Then Yahweh, came down, in the cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that was upon him, and gave unto the seventy men—the elders. And it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and then did so no more. Now there were two men left behind in the camp—the name of the one, was Eldad, and, the name of the other, Medad, so then the spirit, rested on them—they, being among them who were written, though they had not gone forth unto the tent,—but they prophesied in the camp. And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said,—Eldad and Medad, are prophesying in the camp! Then responded Joshua, son of Nun, the attendant of Moses from his youth, and said,—My lord Moses, forbid them! But Moses said unto him, Art, thou, jealous for, me? Oh would that, all the people of Yahweh, were prophets! Yea, let Yahweh put his spirit upon them! (Num. 11:25-29)

² the word, ‘gift,’ is added. See Appendix A

³ 1722 εν εν means in, by, with etc.; How that, Yahweh, was in [en] Christ, reconciling, a world, unto himself...II Cor. 5:19; Unto whom Yahweh hath been pleased to make known what is the glorious wealth of this sacred secret among the nations, which is Christ in [en] you, the hope of the glory Col. 1:27; ...That, I, am in [en] my Father, and, ye, in [en] me, and, I, in [en] you. Jn. 14:20; Or know ye not that, your body, is, a shrine of the holy spirit that is in [en] you, which ye have from Yahweh? And ye are not your own I Cor. 6:19

Yahweh is in Christ Christ is in You

Yahweh abides in Christ and Christ abides in us by way of the gift we have received. This is the spirit of Yahweh, also known as spirit and holy spirit: The word translated “in,” is the Greek word, “en,” which “denotes being or remaining within, with the primary idea of rest and continuance.”⁴

How that, Yahweh, was in [en] Christ, reconciling, a world, unto himself (II Cor. 5:19)

Unto whom Yahweh hath been pleased to make known what is the Glorious wealth of this Sacred Secret among the nations, which is Christ in [en] You, the Hope of the Glory (Col. 1:27)

In that day, shall ye get to know, That, I, am in [en] my Father, and, ye, in [en] me, and, I, in [en] you. (Jn. 14:20)

Or know ye not that, your body, is, a shrine of the holy spirit that is within [en] you, which ye have from Yahweh? And ye are not your own (I Cor. 6:19)

Ye, are, of Yahweh, dear children, and have overcome them; because, greater, is he that is in [en] you, than he that is in the world. (I Jn. 4:4)

Yahweh and Christ dwell in us. Prophecy in love manifests or reveals the Glory of Yahweh. Yahweh’s presence, revealed in the spoken words of the prophesy, is confirmed in our hearts and minds. The ministry of the spirit, the Age we now live in, abounds in a surpassing glory when individuals walk in the fullness of the spirit.⁵ This Glory is unveiled by prophesying; “But if all prophesy... the secrets of his heart are revealed; and so, falling down on *his* face, he will worship Yahweh and report that Yahweh is truly among [in] you” (I Cor. 14:24-25). The Glory of Yahweh, unveiled in the Old Covenant, brought people to their knees.⁶ Yahweh spoke face to face with His people and they trembled.⁷

⁴ KJV Companion Bible, Appendix 104 (Bullinger Bible)

⁵ “But, if, the ministry of death, in letters engraven in stones, was brought into existence with glory, so that the sons of Israel could not look steadfastly into the face of Moses, by reason of the glory of his face—which *glory* was to be done away, How shall not, rather, the ministry of the spirit, be with glory? For, if, the ministry of condemnation was glory, much rather, doth the ministry of righteousness abound with glory, For that which hath been made glorious, hath not even been made glorious, in this respect,—by reason of the surpassing glory. For, if that which was to be done away *was brought in* with glory, much more, that which is to abide, is in glory...But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of Yahweh, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the spirit of Yahweh” (II Cor. 3:7-11, 18).

⁶ “And, when all the people beheld the pillar of cloud [Glory], standing at the opening of the tent, then all the people rose up, and bowed themselves down, every man at the entrance of his tent” (Ex. 33:10).

⁷ These words, spake Yahweh, unto all the convocation of you, in the mount, out of the midst of the fire, the cloud, and the thick gloom, a loud voice, and added not,—and he wrote them upon two tables of stone, and gave them unto me.¶ And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice, out of the midst of the darkness, the mountain also burning with fire, then drew ye near unto

How much more should members of a Church today, members who are filled with spirit, bow down when they hear Yahweh address them personally through an individual prophesying to them words of edification and exhortation and comfort! Yahoshua promised Martha, “Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldst believe, thou shouldst see the Glory of Yahweh” (Jn. 11:40)? We must only believe in order to see the Glory of Yahweh and to experience His Presence.

Yahweh wills us to be something more than ordinary. If you are ordinary, then you have not reached Yahweh’s vision for your life. Our Father’s plan for us is to be extraordinary; supernatural children walking in love and power by way of the spirit. On the Day of Pentecost, Peter spoke to the amazed crowd and said, “ But this is that which hath been spoken through the prophet Joel—And it shall be, in the last days saith Yahweh, I will pour out of my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy...” (Acts 2:16-17). Yahweh has not instructed us to perform a task that we have not been fully equipped to perform. The spirit of Yahweh has been poured out upon us with the expectation that we manifest the spirit by prophesying, speaking in tongues, interpreting etc. Yahoshua told the twelve, “Be curing, the sick, raising, the dead,—cleansing, lepers, casting out, demons: freely, ye have, received, freely, give” (Mt. 10:8). Yahoshua would not have instructed his disciples to cast out demons if they were not fully equipped with the ability to do so. In I Corinthians chapter fourteen, Yahweh instructed His children to prophesy. Yahweh and Christ are glorified when we, in love, prophesy and operate the other eight manifestations and nine fruits.⁸ To doubt or rebel against our Father’s instruction is as committing the sin of divination.⁹ Today, the Church is not exhorted and comforted to the extent planned by our Father because the Church refuses to prophesy. This refusal to obey our Father’s command is the result of unbelief or a hard heart or ignorance. This unbelief is no different than the obstinate Hebrews refusing to cross the river Jordan.¹⁰ The Church was commanded not to quench the spirit and not to despise prophesying but they have done both.¹¹ We have been called to walk by faith and not by

me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders, and ye said—Lo! Yahweh our Elohim hath let us see, his glory and his greatness, his voice also, have we heard out of the midst of the fire,—this day, have we seen, that Elohim may speak with man, who yet may live. Now, therefore, why should we die? for this great fire, will consume, us,—if, we ourselves, hear the voice of Yahweh our Elohim any more, we shall die. Deu. 5:22-25

⁸ Mt 15:31 so that the multitude marveled, seeing the dumb speaking, the lame walking, and the blind seeing,—and they glorified the Elohim of Israel.

⁹ Then said Samuel—Doth that which is pleasing unto Yahweh consist in ascending—offerings and sacrifices, So much as in hearkening unto the voice of Yahweh? Lo! to hearken, is, better, than, sacrifice. And, to give heed, than, the fat of rams; For, as the sin of divination, is, rebelliousness,—and, as transgression with household gods, is, stubbornness,—Because thou hast rejected the word of Yahweh, therefore hath he rejected thee from being king. (I Sam. 15:22-23)

¹⁰ So long as it is said—Today, if, unto his voice, ye would hearken, do not harden your hearts,—as in the embitterment. For, who, though they heard, caused embitterment? Nay, indeed! did not all who come forth out of Egypt through Moses? But, with whom, was he sore vexed forty years? Was it not with them who sinned, whose dead bodies fell in the desert? But, unto whom, sware he, that they should not enter into his rest,—save unto them who were obstinate? And we see, that they were not able to enter, because of unbelief. Heb. 3:15-19

¹¹ The spirit, do not quench, Prophesyings, do not despise, I Thess. 5:19-20

sight, which is well pleasing to our Father.¹² Prophesying is walking by faith. Prophecy is releasing spirit; the indwelling river of living water.¹³

How to Prophecy

The prophecy referred to in I Corinthians chapter fourteen, verses 1 to 28 is not a prophecy about future events, which is spoken by a prophet (verses 29 to 38 are written to the prophets), but rather it is a message of edification and exhortation and comfort addressed to an individual or to a group of people. A believer who received the message from Yahweh, by way of the indwelling spirit, spoke this exhortation. All believers can prophesy this way. When you are prophesying to an individual the words of exhortation and comfort will be specifically addressed to the individual. If you are prophesying to a group of people then the words will be more general because it is addressed to many people. Prophesying is just like speaking in tongues. You do not think beforehand about what you are saying because your job is to speak the words that come to your mind by way of spirit; “And they were all filled with holy spirit, and began to be speaking [their job was to speak] with other kinds of tongues just as the Spirit was giving unto them [the Spirit’s job is to give the words to speak] to be sounding forth” (Acts 2:4). Speaking in tongues is speaking unto Yahweh in a language unknown to the speaker, while prophecy is speaking unto men words of “...edification, and exhortation, and comfort” (I Cor. 14:3); both take an act of faith.

You must begin speaking with the expectation or faith that the words to speak will come to your mind, by word of knowledge, from our Father. In the act of speaking, Yahweh will bring His words, as He promised, to your mind as you speak. His words usually do not come in paragraphs but in sentences or a few words at a time but only after you begin the process of speaking. It is an act of our will to prophesy as is speaking in tongues. We can prophesy anytime we desire just as we can speak in tongues anytime we desire. Father has commanded us to prophesy in order that the Body of the Christ be exhorted and comforted. How often is that? As often as the Body of the Christ needs exhortation and comfort, which should be daily.

An example of how to prophesy is written below. These instructions were not written to us but to the Hebrews who will be going through the Day of Yahweh. We can though, apply the concept to our Age. This concept is that we are not to dwell on what to speak because the words to speak will be given to us by the spirit of our Father. Our job is only to speak. “And, when they deliver you up, be not anxious how or what ye shall speak,—for it shall be given you in that hour what ye shall speak. For it is not, ye, who are speaking, but, the spirit of your Father, that is speaking in you.” (Mt. 10:19-20). “And, when they are

¹² “But, apart from faith, it is impossible to be well-pleasing; for he that approacheth unto Yahweh—must needs have faith, that he is, and that, to them who seek him out, a rewarder he becometh” (Heb. 11:6).

¹³ Joh 7:38 He that believeth on me—just as said the Scripture,—River, from within him, shall flow, of living water.

leading you, as they are delivering you up, be not beforehand anxious, what ye shall speak; but, whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, the same, speak,—for, ye, are not the speakers, but the holy spirit” (Mk. 13:11). These scriptures were written to people who are under the Mosaic Law. We are not under the Mosaic Law but under a more glorious period, “the ministry of the spirit” (II Cor. 3:8). People should speak in tongues and prophesy after they confess and believe Roman’s 10:9, as they did in the book of Acts.¹⁴ People do not manifest the spirit because of unbelief, a hard heart or because they have not been instructed how to speak in tongues or prophesy.¹⁵ The former groups we cannot help but we can help the latter group.

You can and will prophesy if you act on Yahweh’s Word. Do not wait for a feeling. (Faith is not waiting for a feeling but it is acting on our Father’s Word.) A prophesy practice session is a good way to begin. You can practice on one or more believers. You are allowed to make mistakes because you will make mistakes. Mistakes are part of the learning process. Babies do not immediately walk but rather they begin the walking process by first learning to crawl. Stumbling and falling occur when someone is learning to crawl or walk. Practice and determination lead an individual from an infant crawling to an adult running a marathon. To help get you started begin by praying with your understanding for the individual and when words or thoughts come to your mind, by way of spirit, begin speaking those words. (Speaking with your understanding at the beginning can operate like a starter on a car. The starter starts cranking until the engine ignites. Thereafter the engine runs on its own.) Do not think about what you are speaking because your job is to speak and Yahweh’s job is to give your mind the words. (Generally the faster you speak the less your mind will get involved.) You will know when the message has come to an end because the words will not be there, so then stop speaking. These words will be words of comfort and exhortation and if they are not, then the words are not from Yahweh. Your friend will know in his heart what words came from Yahweh and the words that were not from Yahweh.

In most cases the words or thoughts given to your mind, by Yahweh, will be faint and might appear as just another one of your thoughts but you must speak these words to your friend. After you have prophesied, confer with your friend to determine what words were from Yahweh and what words were maybe from your own mind. As one person said, “even though the water is pure [Yahweh’s Words] when it comes from the ground, it may pick up the taste of the pipe it is traveling through.” We are the pipe, which is not perfect,

¹⁴ And they were all filled with holy spirit, and began to be speaking with other kinds of tongues just as the Spirit was giving unto them to be sounding forth. Acts 2:4

While Peter was yet speaking these words, the holy spirit fell upon all who were hearing the word. And the faithful, of the circumcision, who had come with Peter, were amazed,—in that, upon the nations also, the free-gift of the holy spirit had been poured out; For they heard them speaking with tongues, and magnifying Yahweh. Acts 10:44-46

Paul laying hands upon them, the holy spirit came upon them, and they began speaking with tongues and prophesying. Acts 19:6

¹⁵ Phillip said to the eunuch, “Dost thou, then, understand what thou art reading? And, he, said—How indeed should be able—unless someone shall guide me” (Acts 8:30-31)?

while the water or spirit is perfect; “He that believeth on me—just as said the Scripture,—River, from within him, shall flow, of living water. Now, this, spake he concerning the spirit which they who believed on him were about to receive;” (Jn. 7:38-39). Give each other permission to make mistakes. As you practice you will become more proficient in prophesying, which is well pleasing to our Father and to our Lord because the Body of the Christ is being edified.¹⁶

Moses desired a day when all could prophesy.¹⁷ Joel spoke, “And it shall come to pass, afterwards, I [Yahweh] will pour out my spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters, shall prophesy...” (Joel 2:28). Peter spoke on the Day of Pentecost, “This is that which hath been spoken through the prophet Joel...” (Acts 2:16). Today is the day; “So, then, my brethren,—be zealous to prophesy” (I Cor. 14:39). Paul instructed the Assembly, “The spirit, do not quench [sbennumi],¹⁸ Prophesying, do not despise” (I Thess. 5:19-20). Yahweh is able to communicate his lovingkindness to His daughters and sons because of your act of obedience to prophesy, in love, to them. The Glory and Presence of Yahweh will be manifested through you as you speak His words of edification and exhortation and comfort. Prophecy fulfills our relationship with our Father; it is a hug, a pat on the back, a kiss from our Father. The spirit has been poured out upon you; Yahweh and Christ are in you; manifest them to the world in all of their fullness by operating your gift of holy spirit. Prophecy in Love!

¹⁶ Howbeit I wish you all to speak with tongues, but, rather, that ye may prophesy,—moreover, greater, is he that prophesieth, than he that speaketh with tongues,—unless indeed he translate, that, the assembly, may receive upbuilding. I Cor. 14:5

¹⁷ “And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said,—Eldad and Medad, are prophesying in the camp! Then responded Joshua [Yahoshua], son of Nun, the attendant of Moses from his youth, and said,—My lord Moses, forbid them! But Moses said unto him, Art, thou, jealous for, me? Oh would that, all the people of Yahweh, were prophets! Yea, let Yahweh put his spirit upon them” (Num. 11:27-29)!

¹⁸ 4570 σβεννυμι sbennumi *sben'-noo-mee* 1) to extinguish, quench 1a) of fire or things on fire 1a1) to be quenched, to go out 1b) metaph. to quench, to suppress, stifle 1b1) of divine influence

Appendix A

Pneumatikos usage in the New Testament

- Ro 1:11 For I am longing to see you, that I may impart some spiritual [pneumatikos] gift [charisma] unto you, to the end ye may be established,—
- Ro 7:14 ¶ For we know that, the law, is spiritual [pneumatikos],—I, however, am a creature of flesh, sold under sin;
- Ro 15:27 They have been well-pleased, indeed,—and, their debtors, they are; for, if, with their spiritual [pneumatikos] things [added] the nations have come into fellowship, they are bound also with their own carnal things to minister publicly unto them.
- 1Co 2:13 Which we also speak—not in words taught of human wisdom, but in such as are taught of *the* Spirit, by spiritual [pneumatikos] words [added], spiritual [pneumatikos] things [added], explaining.
- 1Co 2:15 But, the man of the spirit [pneumatikos], on the one hand, examineth all things, but, on the other, he himself, by no one, is examined.
- 1Co 3:1 ¶ I, therefore, brethren, have not been able to speak unto you, as unto men of the Spirit [pneumatikos], but as unto men of the flesh—as unto babes in Christ:—
- 1Co 9:11 If, we, unto you, the things of the Spirit [pneumatikos] have sown, is it a great matter, if, we, of you, the things of the flesh shall reap?
- 1Co 10:3 And, all, did eat [[the same]] spiritual [pneumatikos] food,
- 1Co 10:4 And, all, drank, the same spiritual [pneumatikos] drink,—for they continued to drink of the spiritual rock that followed them, and, the rock, was the Christ:—
- 1Co 12:1 ¶ But, concerning the spiritually [pneumatikos] gifted [the word, ‘gifted,’ has been added], brethren, I am not wishing you to be ignorant.
- 1Co 14:1 ¶ Pursue love; nevertheless be envious of the spiritual [pneumatikos] gifts [the word, ‘gifts,’ has been added],—and, rather, that ye may be prophesying.
- 1Co 14:37 If anyone thinketh himself to be a prophet, or spiritually [pneumatikos] gifted [the word, ‘gifted,’ has been added], let him acknowledge the things which I am writing to you,—that they are, a commandment, of the Lord.
- 1Co 15:44 It is sown a body of the soul, it is raised a body of the spirit [pneumatikos]; if there is a body of the soul, there is also of the spirit:—
- 1Co 15:46 Howbeit, not first, is the *body* of the spirit [pneumatikos], but that, of the soul,—afterwards, that of the spirit [pneumatikos].
- Ga 6:1 ¶ Brethren! if a man should even be overtaken in any fault, ye, the spiritual [pneumatikos], be restoring such a one, in a spirit of meekness, looking to thyself, lest, even thou, be put to the test.
- Eph 1:3 ¶ Blessed, be the Elohim and Father of our Lord Yahoshua Christ, who hath blessed us with every spiritual [pneumatikos] blessing, in the heavenlies, in Christ,
- Eph 5:19 Speaking to yourselves, with psalms and hymns and spiritual [pneumatikos] songs; singing, and striking the strings, with your heart unto the Lord;
- Eph 6:12 Because our struggle is not against blood and flesh, but, against the principalities, against the authorities, against the world-holders, of this darkness, against the spiritual [pneumatikos] forces of wickedness in the heavenlies.

Col 1:9 ¶ For this cause, we also, from the day when we heard *of you*, cease not, in your behalf, praying and asking—that ye may be filled unto the personal knowledge of his will, in all spiritual [pneumatikos] wisdom and discernment,

Col 3:16 Let, the word of the Christ, dwell within you richly,—in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another, with psalms, hymns, spiritual [pneumatikos] songs, with gratitude, raising song with your hearts unto Yahweh:

1Pe 2:5 Yourselves also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual [pneumatikos] house, for a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices, well-pleasing unto Yahweh through Yahoshua Christ;