Vision 2023—Year of Promises, Miracles & Dreams

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. <u>I am super excited to share with you this message which I consider to be a prophetic directive for me personally and for Hilltop, and for each one of you.</u> I believe God wants to challenge you and anyone viewing by live stream, to join us on a journey that includes many <u>Promises</u> God has given. <u>Miracles</u> that God wants to manifest in each of our lives, and <u>Dreams</u> that God wants to fulfill for you and for me! <u>There is nothing God loves more than keeping promises, answering prayers, performing miracles, and fulfilling dreams!</u>
- B. What promises, miracles, and dreams are you expecting God to perform for you in 2023? If God is God, why do we hesitate when it comes to God doing things in our lives that we have been praying for and believing for?

II. PRAYING BOLD PRAYERS IN 2023

- A. <u>Praying bold prayers in 2023! I for one, intend to pray some bold, audacious prayers in 2023.</u> I want to invite you to join with me, to pray some bold audacious prayers for you, for Hilltop and for this capital region in 2023. <u>Audacious: extremely bold or daring: recklessly brave; fearless. Extremely original. Without restriction to prior ideas; highly inventive.</u> God says: Dare to believe Me to accomplish for you what you have not seen Me do hitherto and begin to pray into those things with renewed intensity! <u>Today is the day of the new things that I intend to accomplish for you!</u>
 - "Ah, Lord God! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You. (Jer. 32:17)
 - "Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know" (Jer. 33:3) [great and mighty things—inaccessible things]
 - "So Jesus answered and said to them, have faith in God. For assuredly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea, and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them." (Mark 11:22-24)
- B. <u>I believe there are specific things that have been hitherto locked up that God wants us to be able to access.</u> Some of those will involve a new mindset and intensity in prayer that we may not have known thus far. <u>An expanded level of faith to believe for the supernatural intervention of God in areas that have been inaccessible. A renewed vision for God's supernatural provision that will cause those things to manifest in the natural realm that we may not have seen to this point!</u>
- C. <u>I believe the account of the Israelites crossing the Jordan into the promised land serves as a perfect illustration of where we are.</u> God says, "I want you to go in and possess the land". <u>Joshua said to them,</u> "By this you shall know that the living God is among you, and that He will without fail drive out from before you the Hittites and the Perizzites..." (Joshua 3). In other words—God said: <u>I'm making these promises of lands, vineyards, places of blessing available to you, but it's up to you to go in and possess them for you, for your families, and for your future!</u>

III. FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH

- A. We are called to fight the good fight of faith (1Tim. 6:12). The word [epilambanomai] literally means: to lay hold, seize, or attain to. To lay hold on. One of the things that I felt the Lord wants us to attain in this season is a prophetic word given for real-estate [property, building, a new location]. I am believing God to accomplish it this year, and I want us to begin to pray into it with greater intensity, in faith, believing. And I want us to put no limits to it!
 - "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us" (Eph. 3:20).
- B. After God told the Israelites to go in to lay claim to the promised land they encountered opposition—

 Jericho: "Jericho was securely shut up... None went out, and none came in. And the Lord said to

 Joshua: 'See! I have given Jericho into your hand, its king, and the mighty men of valor" (Joshua 6:1
 2). Our Jericho is the need for real estate/a building. Your Jericho may look different from the next

 person. If you're battling sickness—your Jericho is healing. If you have a vision beyond your

 resources—it's called provision. God wants to show up for us in this season!

IV. HOW DO WE GET THERE—21 DAY FAST

- A. Join us for a 21-day fast to Possess the land—To see supernatural breakthrough (Jan. 9-30). I literally want to invite each of you to join me on a journey—to see God show up in a big way—in this next season! We will not tell you what to fast or how to fast. It can be certain foods, certain things that distract you. The main thing is to spend the next 21 days seeking God in a more intense way, to encounter your life, and what you are believing God to do in this coming season. What do you want God to do for you in this season? Write it down. Circle it! Pray into it. Ask God to do the impossible—allow yourself to dream big in God! Don't limit what God wants to do!
- B. <u>Fasting is an expression of "voluntary" weakness, as we position ourselves before the Lord that our heart may be tenderized and become more sensitive to receive more from the Lord.</u>
- C. <u>I want you to expect some supernatural breakthrough to come in your life, as you give yurself to an extended season of fasting and prayer for the new year.</u> Do you need wisdom? How about a financial breakthrough or a breakthrough in your health? Could it be a family member that needs Jesus?
 - "Is this not the fast that I have chosen: To loose the bonds of wickedness, To undo the heavy burdens, To let the oppressed go free, And that you break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; When you see the naked, that you cover him, and not hide yourself from your own flesh? Then your light shall break forth like the morning, your healing shall spring forth speedily, and your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; You shall cry, and He will say, 'Here I am...' Then your light shall dawn in the darkness, and your darkness shall be as the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your soul in drought, and strengthen your bones; You shall be like a watered garden, And like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail. Those from among you Shall build the old waste places; You shall raise up the foundations of many generations; And you shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Streets to Dwell In. (Isa. 58:6-7, 10-12)