

PROPHETIC WORDS GIVEN AT ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL

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ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL WORDS OF PROPHECY 27/2/21

First Word

"My dear people, when the Son shines on you be glad. Be lifted up to rejoice in My presence with you, for that is what you desire most of all, isn't it? My presence holds true – I am with you to support, sustain and satisfy your every need. Be glad and praise Me for that."

Second word

I lift the cross off you, and I carry it for you. Come to me in praise and thanksgiving; come to me knowing that I am enough for you, I am all that you need. Come to me in your need, turn to me in your prayers; I will make all things right, I will make all things new. You are not alone; I am with you.

Third word

I sense the Lord saying that "breakthrough" is a very strong word for all of us today. We see spring breaking through after winter; we see a breakthrough in vaccine and lockdown coming out of the pandemic. But I sense the Lord saying that for all of us it's a time of breakthrough, a time of change. But I believe there are 14 people here today who this word is specifically for. And the breakthrough is about family issues, work issues and finance issues. (Work and finance are two separate things). And I sense the Lord saying "Hold fast because I have heard your prayers. You are closer than you think to what is going to happen and things are going to change for you. So hold fast and just be blessed by me, but when it happens, give glory to God." Amen.

Fourth Word

I can confirm that. I sense the Lord is saying that many of his children have been struggling with their faith recently. He used the words dryness in prayer, feelings of stagnation and "banging our heads against a brick wall"!

"My dear ones, it breaks my heart to see your struggles. I want you to know that the roots of your faith are grown in these times of darkness. It may feel as if you are stagnating, making little progress, but you are merely growing where you have been planted."

Then he showed me a picture of dainty little flower that had pushed its way through a concrete pavement to unfurl its petals in the warmth of the sun. "Look at this flower, see how it has made its way through a concrete pavement, yet it is so small, tender and weak! How did this happen? First it had to spend time in the darkness, waiting for its roots to spread out and embed firmly into the soil. Then it stood silent and still, not struggling but gently growing in the darkness, little by little every day, persevering towards the warmth of the sun, until the light appeared. Only when it broke through could it unfurl the gift of its dainty petals and become the flower God made it to be. It is the same for you my dear ones. Embed your roots in the soil of my word and do not fret, worry or struggle when the dryness comes. Wait, be still, persevere in peace and praise God for the gifts he is waiting to give you in due time. If I, the Lord, watch over a little plant in the darkness, will I not watch over you even more tenderly when you are growing in the darkness. Do not fear these womb-times they are necessary to bring you closer to me."

I also feel this is a Word of Knowledge for today. For the gifts of perseverance, peace and stillness.

Fifth word

The Lord said to Ezekiel “I will remove their hearts of stone and I will give them a heart of flesh.” Maybe we need to get hold of that: to remove our heart of stone and have a heart of flesh towards the Lord.

Sixth word

“Come back to me with all your heart”

Seventh word (Gina)

When we were in Adoration, I had a picture of Jesus – he was very bright, and I saw him looking back. What I sensed him saying was “Come follow me.” I had a sense it was for me, but I also had a sense it was for all of us, Jesus is saying come follow him. But the fact is, I believe Jesus is giving us a choice in that: He doesn’t want us to follow him with heavy hearts or fear, but he’s calling us to follow him in faith and trust and hope. It’s not that he’s telling us where he’s taking us, he’s just calling us to follow him, as he said to the disciples. He’s looking for soft hearts, hopeful hearts, trusting hearts, that we will follow him and not to worry where he is leading us, because he knows where he is leading us. It was such a lovely picture of light and joy and hope; and I believe that’s what he’s looking for in our hearts, to be able to follow him in that way. And he’s giving us that freedom to choose whether to follow him or not. “Come follow me.”

Eighth word

One of my ministries in life is that I do oil paintings – I call them my prayer paintings because really they are prayers to God and they are pictures for God. This week, because it’s Lent, I started one about the crucifixion and I have Jesus in the middle and the two thieves on either side of him. It has really struck me about the compassion of Jesus, even when he was in agony dying on the cross, he reached out to these thieves who were having a conversation. And it struck me that that was the last chance for both of them; one of them took it. The conversation went something like “We have both done wrong but here’s this man Jesus who has not done wrong.” It struck me that Jesus never gives up on us. Even when he was dying, he reached out to this man and promised him the most wonderful thing “Today you will be with me in Paradise.” We just need to keep reaching out to Jesus because he never gives up on us.

The other thing is also when he was on the cross of course, he considered his mother Mary, how she would be looked after by John. It’s not a good idea to leave coming to Jesus till the end of our lives, but it’s never too late: his compassion is always there, his love is always there. We should always hope in him and allow him to love us and save us.

Ninth word

I can partly confirm that. Earlier this week I went to Mass and in our church, as in so many churches at the moment, there is this “crime scene” tape everywhere stopping you from going into various pews. I’ve always been a bit angry about it I suppose, but then this week I sensed the Lord saying to me “Well it is a crime scene – Calvary was a crime scene. The only difference is, there were two criminals, as we’ve just been hearing, but the main person whom a crime had been committed against was of course Jesus who was completely innocent and died, not for his own sins, but for our sins. So that confirms what we have just heard.

The other thing I had in the week, which again is a confirmation of what has been said, is that there is at least one person here (there could be more) who is feeling excluded in some way. I don’t know if it’s excluded in this community, but I suspect it’s feeling excluded in life in general somehow. The message to them is that God includes everybody, He wants to save everybody, nobody is excluded in that sense. If you’re that person, then please do phone our prayer line and receive prayer to help you acknowledge that Jesus is including you and does want to help you.

Tenth word

When a lady said she saw the image of the Lord, I saw him too, but the rays of his heart were pouring out with love. When I see Jesus, he's nothing but love. We've got to remember this, that he is love and what comes out of us, if we concentrate on the right things and goodness, is love as well, which is healing and is everything we want and should have.

Eleventh word

When we heard earlier about the flower, what came to my mind was the parable of the sower of the seeds, in particular the beginning where the basket was being filled with seeds (it's assumed in the parable that's what happened – I had that image). I just thought it means it's the time for sowing, for planting, spreading, proclaiming God's word. Today more than ever our society needs that.

Twelfth word

The words just came to me "Do not be afraid for I have redeemed you."

Thirteenth word

Psalm 103 has 'Don't be afraid. Don't reject Me.'

Fourteenth word

I just want to confirm that word breakthrough. At a personal level someone has already given me a prophecy and they kept talking about a coming breakthrough for me personally. But I've also felt, through the last few months, that God is doing something, and we mustn't be afraid. We do not have to stand in fear despite the atmosphere around us, because God is so great and when we are in him, we actually have nothing to fear, because He is our life, our love. I really get a sense that something is coming very soon. Not in the distant time but very soon, where the world will recognise His power in a way that we already do. He is really saying "just immerse yourself in me now: do everything you can. Make this Lent a very special Lent." Give Him the time and space to act in us, so that we are ready and prepared for what is coming; so that we can help other people who need to be guided; that He will give us the strength, the wisdom to lead others, to guide people in His love, to show them the way. And this is soon, it's not far away.

Fifteenth word

It's the brokenness – there had to be a break somewhere for that flower to grow. There had to be a break in the seed when it was planted and it's in our brokenness that God can really enter in and create something beautiful. Looking at a stained-glass window: it's broken glass that's put together and when the sun shines through it, it's a thing of beauty. Out of our brokenness God is going to create something beautiful in each of us.

Sixteenth word

For the last few days the Lord has been saying to me that we should look at Lent not so much as a place of giving things up but the privilege of spending quality time with Our Lord. It should be a time that we look forward to because of the privilege of spending quality time with Him, concentrating more on Him than on being told during Lent: you should be disciplining yourself, giving up this and doing that. It's not; it's a question of spending quality time with someone you love, and you don't need necessarily to say anything, just be aware of His presence.

Seventeenth word

I just wanted to share what the lady shared about her oil painting. It struck a chord in my heart when she said Jesus, even though in His own suffering reached out to the thieves and it just touched me, the immense love Christ has for me, I just began crying. I Thank God for His Healing Love. AMEN

Resume by Deacon John

When we used to meet physically at Alton, the Lord blessed me by feeling the Holy Spirit moving around the Chapel where we were meeting. He's blessed me again today because I can feel the Holy Spirit moving on all of you in this zoom meeting. I used to think it was all about building up the Kingdom of God, but I've learnt it's about revealing the kingdom of God because the kingdom of God is all around us. What we had with the prophecies were people who had been blessed by the Lord sharing with us words and texts and pictures and visions for the building up of God's people. It was really, really beautiful.

The word breakthrough came time and time again. We've got over 100 people involved in this Alton Day of Renewal, but we could have 200 people involved; but not all of those people will be in the same place, Some will have been blessed and will be very close to the Lord and know the Lord; others will have a hunger for that, they will want to know the Lord more, they want to share in our loving community. So it'll sound like a commercial, but I make no bones about it, we want to be able to increase our licence. To get to 200, to get to 300 and all of that costs money. So at the end of the day please remember to make a donation to Alton Day of Renewal because it's your chance to help us reach more people.

You also have a personal call to evangelisation because you can invite other people to come along. You can say "I was on this zoom meeting last Saturday and I got a lot out of it and I want to share that pearl of great worth with you." Encourage them to register and come and meet with us. I've also got a bit of homework for you, which was triggered by the word breakthrough. We normally talk in terms of spiritual hymns and songs but this one is a secular song. I'd like you to see if you can get hold of Bette Midler's song "The Rose". Because it talks about seed under the snow and how in the spring it becomes a rose. That breakthrough that we were talking about – I think that breakthrough means there are many of you here today who will have that breakthrough. Maybe you've already had it; maybe you'll have it after the conference, maybe in the time of breakout. You are seeking the Lord, you want the Lord more in your life, you want to enjoy the love we share amongst us as the ADoRE community and I want that for you as well.

May the breakthrough come this afternoon: God's love is there. He has hope, he has so much to give you and all you need do is lower your guard, repent of anything that may be at variance with God's will, and He will embrace you. As Alastair said: as He comes towards us, we go towards Him. Let's rush and embrace like the prodigal Father and prodigal son. Receive God's love because it's there as a free gift for you this afternoon. Praise to God's breakthrough for everyone. Amen.