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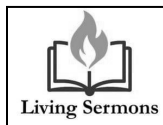
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Foreword

The prophetic ministry has never been about spectacular manifestations alone. Throughout Scripture, God's prophets were first men and women who stood in His presence before they ever stood before people. Their greatest strength was not merely in seeing visions or declaring revelations, but in faithfully communicating the counsel of the Lord.

In **The Mantle of Elijah: What This Generation Must Carry**, Prophet Ayo Jeje calls the Church back to that forgotten foundation. This message is not simply an exploration of prophetic gifts; it is a passionate summons to prophetic maturity. It challenges believers to move beyond the pursuit of spiritual experiences into a life of consecration, discernment, spiritual alignment, and accurate stewardship of God's voice.

One of the defining emphases of this teaching is the distinction between possessing prophetic ability and carrying prophetic responsibility. Through biblical examples—particularly the life of Elijah—the author demonstrates that true prophetic ministry is sustained by intimacy with God, accountability within a prophetic company, humility before the Lord, and unwavering commitment to His eternal purposes.

Readers will also discover a timely call to recover transgenerational thinking. The Elijah mantle is presented not merely as a prophetic anointing, but as a divine pattern that restores the hearts of fathers and children, preserves God's purposes across generations, and prepares the Church for the fulfillment of His agenda in the earth.

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It is our prayer that this message will raise believers who value God's counsel above human opinion, who pursue obedience above recognition, who embrace spiritual fatherhood and sonship, and who become faithful stewards of the voice of the Lord in their generation.

May this book strengthen your walk with Christ, deepen your discernment, and inspire you to carry the mantle of Elijah with humility, purity, and unwavering devotion to the purposes of God.

Grace and peace,

— ***Wisdom Epsi***

Chief Editor, LivingSermons.com

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Introduction

There is a need for us to begin, with serious intention, to consider prophetic operations. If we do not begin to examine the order God intends prophetic operations to follow, we will be full of motions and activities without achieving the purposes of God.

There is a divine pattern for stewarding the prophetic. God's intention is that His people remain on the cutting edge of His purposes. Therefore, there is a way to posture ourselves and a way to move. If we approach the prophetic haphazardly, we will fail to accomplish what God desires.

I have observed that prophetic people are often very conscious of activities, but it goes beyond activities. Sometimes it is not even about coming to speak; it is about coming to listen. This template is spread throughout the Scriptures to teach us how to walk.

What validates prophetic people is not so much their motions and activities—it is their alignment.

God's concern may not necessarily be that I come into a gathering to pick up a microphone. His concern may simply be that I leave that place carrying an intelligence that sets me on the path of intercession. That alone may be everything God intended for me.

Yet there is a validation that comes from wanting to speak. There is a validation that comes from saying, "I have made my point," especially in a generation under pressure.

The Use of the Prophetic

One of the things we must understand is that the prophetic helps us discern our seasons. Prophecies are instruments through which God enables His people to judge their times, understand where they are, and know the posture they ought to take.

Prophecy is not merely an instrument to prove that someone belongs to a prophetic company. Rather, prophecy is an ageless instrument through which God administers His purposes in the earth.

We must see it this way.

Personally, I carry a burden concerning many things, and one of those burdens is our operations.

For example, in a prophetic company, the speakings of God are not limited to the man holding the microphone. Sometimes, the person standing before you is simply an instrument to stir the waters, while the voice of the Lord comes from somewhere you least expect.

That is how a prophetic company grows.

Amen.

Hallelujah.

God's Pattern for the New Testament Prophetic

We must begin to examine what is truly important to God concerning the prophetic. Under the New Testament, the prophetic company becomes foundational to the believer's experience.

New Testament prophets were never designed to function in isolation.

Amen.

So, while there will be prophecy and prophetic utterances among us today, we also want to uncover God's pattern and God's agenda for His Church, especially concerning the prophetic.

Beyond the Title of "Prophet"

Someone met me at the airport while I was travelling and said,

"I knew you some years ago, and nobody called you a prophet. Suddenly, I began seeing everywhere that you are being introduced as Prophet Ayo Jeje."

I replied,

"I never gave myself the title of prophet. I simply discovered that whenever people invite me and prepare their flyers, they introduce me as 'Prophet.' Even within our own circle, I hardly use the title."

That has never been my concern.

What he was really trying to say was,

"What is all this excitement about prophets and the prophetic? Everywhere people are talking about prophets. This whole prophetic movement is creating more problems than solutions. I think you should distance yourself from it."

Without any apology, however, I can honestly say that the most visible reality of my life has been the prophetic.

Even if I wanted to separate myself from that expression, it has become too late.

My Mother's Testimony

Two days ago, my sister travelled in from Canada. My mother came to visit her, and eventually my other siblings also gathered at my house.

Late that night, before I travelled the next morning, my mother said something remarkable.

She looked at everyone and said,

"Ayo, there is virtually nothing that has happened to this family that you did not first see in a vision."

My sisters became quiet.

My brother watched attentively.

Then my mother turned to him and said,

"When your father was about to be assassinated, this boy saw it twice."

She continued,

"He woke your father and me around one o'clock in the morning. We stood there listening as this young boy explained the vision he had just received and described the enemy's plan to terminate your father's life."

My father responded,

"Nobody is going to terminate my life. Go back to sleep."

But I persisted.

I said,

"Father, there is a charm placed at your door. If you will only follow me to the entrance of the house, you will see it."

My mother said,

"I told your father, 'Please follow this boy. I don't know what kind of boy this is, but follow him.'"

My father eventually agreed, saying,

"For the sake of clarity, let us go and prove that there is nothing there."

We opened the door.

Nothing was there.

My father laughed and said,

"Can you now go and sleep?"

The Vision Was Accurate

I returned to my room, but I could not sleep. Before everyone woke up, I went outside again. As I was preparing to leave for school, I found the charm near our gate.

I went back inside and called my mother. I asked,

"Do you remember how I described the charm?"

She said,

"Yes."

I replied,

"Come outside and see it."

When she saw it, she screamed.

As we stood there, they all began recalling similar stories. Then my mother looked at me and said,

"Do you know that you were the reason I left the Catholic Church? I saw something in your life that I had never seen before, and I wanted to know your God. That was why I followed you to that little church."

Then she asked me a question. I am sharing this, not to advertise my prophetic ministry, but because there is something we must learn.

She asked,

"Ayo, when all these things were happening, you were not even born again. How could you have been seeing all these visions?"

That was true. I was not born again. Even while I still had girlfriends, I saw visions.

Seeing Is Not the Weight of the Prophetic

I remember one particular incident. A young lady came into my house, took one of my black shirts, and intended to use it for a charm. I was sitting at the dining table when I suddenly saw her walking away with my shirt. Immediately I wondered,

"What is she doing with my black shirt?"

I ran into my room.

The shirt was gone.

I knew exactly where it was.

I went after her.

I said,

"You came to my house."

She answered,

"Yes."

I continued,

"And you took my shirt."

She denied it.

I insisted,

"Bring my shirt back today, or there will be trouble."

She eventually confessed.

She said,

"I have already given it to someone."

I replied,

"It does not matter where you took it. You must recover it."

Looking back, I realised that I had been seeing visions all my life. But something beautiful happened when I gave my life to Christ. God tampered with that natural faculty. I stopped seeing as I used to.

Not because the devil had planted the gift, but because there is much more to the prophetic than simply seeing visions.

Beyond Sight Lies Divine Intelligence

The real weight of the prophetic comes after the sight. It is intelligence. If I had been born again when I saw the vision concerning my father's assassination, I would have known how to avert it.

Therefore, having a supernatural faculty that connects beyond the natural does not automatically make someone a prophet. I believe that during those years when I saw numerous visions, I was not operating in the office of a prophet.

Today, I simply want to speak generally. God is growing us beyond gifts. He is growing us into stature. He is raising people who can faithfully steward His mysteries and accurately dispense His counsel—not people who merely fill the world with supernatural sightings.

Are you here?

Standing in the Counsel of the Lord

Many people have access to visions but lack interpretation. They see visions, yet their own minds intercept the communication. Instead of communicating according to the Word of the Lord, they interpret everything through their own reasoning. The true strength of the prophetic is not the ability to say, "I see you."

The real pursuit in this generation should be to stand in the counsel of the Lord.

After the vision, the real question becomes:

What is the Lord saying?

What is His intention concerning what has been seen?

Sometimes, after receiving a vision, wisdom requires silence while you wait for the Lord's interpretation.

One of the greatest pitfalls in prophetic ministry is allowing our minds to interrupt the process of divine communication.

When Personal Bias Distorts Revelation

As Nigeria approached a new governmental transition, we were praying concerning the nation's leadership. During one of those times of prayer, an angel of the Lord appeared and gave me certain information. I immediately called Apostle Arome.

I told him,

"Sir, I am consulting you not only because you discern spiritual things, but because you have mastered communication at a level that will help me interpret what I heard."

The angel had said,

"The next president of your country will be your kinsman. He has been on one side for a long time, but he is returning to the scene."

Immediately, because of my own desires, my natural reasoning began to interpret the message.

I thought,

"Surely this refers to my vice president. He has been sidelined for years, and now God is bringing him back."

The angel also said,

"If he does not come now, Rehoboam will come—and it is not Rehoboam's time."

I immediately searched the Scriptures to understand who Rehoboam was. I discovered that Rehoboam became king at the time the nation of Israel was divided. From that, I understood that preserving Nigeria's unity was high on God's agenda.

But who exactly was this "kinsman"?

Because of my personal preferences, I concluded it referred to someone I admired.

I even began telling people,

"My kinsman will become the next president."

Until God graciously followed the vision with another revelation and showed me that I had been wrong.

That error exposed my personal bias. For certain reasons, I will not say more about that particular matter. May the Lord bring us to a place of true competence. One place we must arrive at is the place where we return to prophetic company.

It is not everything you receive that should immediately be broadcast to the world. Today, all someone needs is a ring light, a camera, and a social media account, and suddenly they begin declaring,

"I speak to the nation."

Some years ago, I watched a man who released national prophecies every quarter of the year. At one point, Apostle Arome even forwarded some of those prophecies to me.

He said,

"Please listen to this. Check this prophecy."

After listening, I simply replied,

"Trash it."

The man spoke as though he alone carried the final authority of God's voice over Nigeria. That was already the first problem. As I listened, I realized he had become intoxicated with his own emotions.

One of the primary ways genuine prophetic ministry is discerned is through collaboration.

"Let the Prophets Speak"

"Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge."

— *1 Corinthians 14:29 (KJV)*

Notice the pattern.

The prophet speaks—not from a position of arrogance—but with humility, remaining subject to further light concerning the word that has been released.

Then the Scripture says,

"Let the others judge."

The word *judge* here means **to discern**. It is not merely discerning whether the prophecy is true or false. It also involves discerning the manner in which that word will find its fulfillment. A prophet may receive the word of the Lord without receiving the complete understanding of how it will come to pass.

Another prophet may carry the grace to interpret the process of its fulfillment. That is why prophetic company is indispensable.

Understanding the Purpose of Prophecy

Many of us have been taught that if a prophet gives a word that does not immediately come to pass, he has forfeited his office.

That is not true. Not every prophetic word serves the same purpose. Some prophetic words are spoken for correction. Some are spoken because certain events have already been determined by God. Others are released because God desires to bring people to repentance. Do you understand that, God's people?

This is why you need prophetic company. You need people who can bring additional light to what has been spoken. They help discern timing. They help discern manner.

They help discern the proper posture that should follow the prophetic word.

Hallelujah. Glory to Jesus.

We Must Learn Prophetic Operations

I remain deeply burdened about prophetic operations.

My prayer is that during this conference, the Lord will begin to open our understanding concerning these matters.

They are extremely important.

Again, the Scripture says,

"Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge."

— *1 Corinthians 14:29 (KJV)*

That means **discern**.

Many of us have heard profound things today, yet we are simply waiting for the next prophecy.

Nobody is judging.

Nobody is discerning.

Everyone is asking,

"What will Ayo Jeje say next?"

That is not God's design.

Bringing Furtherance to the Voice of God

A few moments ago, when we stood together, we were actually bringing furtherance to the word the Lord had already spoken concerning the ostrich.

That is prophetic ministry. A prophetic word is not supposed to remain suspended in the atmosphere. It is supposed to move toward fulfillment.

In fact, the prophet who knows how to track prophecy into fulfillment carries greater weight than the prophet who merely releases many prophetic words.

Many prophets know only their own prophecies.

Their entire library consists of words they personally received because they operate from an isolated perspective.

The Greatness of John the Baptist

Jesus declared that John was the greatest among the prophets.

Why?

It was not merely because John gave predictive prophecies. His greatness was found in his ability to bear witness to words that had already been spoken and identify their fulfillment. The prophets of old searched diligently,

"...searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify..."

— *1 Peter 1:11 (KJV)*

Yet the greatest among them became the one who could finally declare,

"This is it."

"This is the fulfillment."

Sometimes greatness in prophetic ministry comes through accurately identifying the fulfillment of prophecy rather than merely predicting future events. Sadly, we have abandoned that dimension.

Instead of declaring,

"This is that which was spoken by the prophet..."

— *Acts 2:16 (KJV)*

we are constantly searching for the next prediction. Even the first recorded prophetic declaration of Jesus carried this dimension. He stood and proclaimed,

"This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears."

— *Luke 4:21 (KJV)*

He was not predicting. He was announcing fulfillment. Prophecy gives birth to prophecy. May you know your seasons. May you learn to track your journey by prophecy.

Why I Am Teaching on the Spirit of Elijah

During my sessions, my prototype will be the Spirit of Elijah. We will examine what Reverend Austin referred to as pitfalls, along with other important dimensions of prophetic ministry. Above all, I trust the Lord that prophets among us will begin to hear divine sounds.

The whole purpose of a prophetic gathering is awakening. I have attended seasons where I sat under powerful prophetic atmospheres—great men praying, prophesying, and ministering. In those moments, I literally sensed the Lord lifting me beyond where I had previously been.

That same grace is available here today. In a few moments, many of you will enter your own prophetic moments. You will discover that the voice of the Lord is not confined to the man holding the microphone. As we minister to the Lord together, God can speak through you with remarkable accuracy.

Hallelujah.

Elijah: A Prophetic Pattern for Every Generation

The reason I have chosen the Spirit of Elijah is because Elijah exemplifies a prophetic pattern that transcends the entire biblical narrative.

When we study Elijah carefully, we discover patterns that provide an archetype for what God desires to accomplish through the prophetic under the New Covenant.

Amen.

As we study him, we will gain a clear understanding of what the Lord intends to accomplish in our generation.

Even the Lord Jesus affirmed this pattern.

Moses and Elijah on the Mount of Transfiguration

In **Matthew 17**, Jesus took Peter, James, and John with Him up a high mountain. After six days, He was transfigured before them. There, two significant figures appeared with Him:

- Moses
- Elijah

Moses represented **the Law**. Elijah represented **the Prophets**. This encounter demonstrates that Elijah did not merely live an extraordinary life. He became a prophetic prototype. His life became a model that transcended his own generation.

He embodied eternal patterns that remain accessible in the Spirit. Even today, those patterns can still be touched by those who walk with God.

"Behold, I Will Send You Elijah"

The final prophetic words of the Old Testament reveal this clearly.

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD."

— *Malachi 4:5 (KJV)*

Notice carefully.

God was not speaking about the literal Elijah who had already been taken to heaven in a chariot of fire.

Rather, He was speaking about a prophetic pattern. Elijah had become a model that God could release repeatedly throughout history. The prophetic spirit represented in Elijah became a resource through which God would describe entire seasons.

The Assignment of the Elijah Spirit

The Scripture continues,

"And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers..."

— *Malachi 4:6 (KJV)*

Notice the language. It does not simply say **father to child**. It says,

"The heart of the fathers to the children."

That distinction is important. One of the primary assignments of the Spirit of Elijah is the restoration of hearts. It restores fathers to children. It restores children to fathers.

Then the Lord adds a solemn warning:

"...lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

— *Malachi 4:6 (KJV)*

God is saying that if this restoration does not take place, the earth itself will suffer. His purposes will struggle to find expression. May your heart never come under a curse.

Why the Enemy Targets the Prophetic

This explains why Satan works so hard to corrupt the prophetic. Anything God intends to use powerfully, the enemy seeks to imitate. His goal is to produce counterfeit versions until people lose confidence in the genuine.

Do you understand?

Whenever you see Satan producing many false replicas of something, it is because that thing is extremely valuable to God.

Imagine a counterfeiter asked to print fake U.S. currency.

Which denomination would he choose?

The highest value.

Likewise, if someone were to counterfeit Nigerian currency, they would most likely print the one-thousand-naira note.

Why?

Because greater value attracts greater imitation.

So never allow the existence of prophetic abuse to convince you that the prophetic is unimportant.

The opposite is true.

Its very importance is what makes it a primary target of counterfeit.

The Enemy Fights What He Fears

I remember running through an airport one day when someone suddenly shouted,

"Prophet Ayo! Prophet Ayo!"

Immediately, people around me stepped away.

Only moments before, they had viewed me as an ordinary gentleman travelling.

The moment they heard "Prophet," they quietly distanced themselves.

I smiled.

I am not ashamed.

Believe me, the enemy does not fight what he does not fear.

The prophetic matters.

That is why the closing prophecy of the Old Testament declares,

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

— *Malachi 4:5–6 (KJV)*

That is the enduring assignment of the Elijah mantle. It is not merely to reveal mysteries or predict future events, but to restore hearts, preserve God's purposes in the earth, and prepare a people for the coming of the Lord.

As I continued praying over **Malachi 4:5–6**, I kept asking the Lord,

"Lord, what is this about turning the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to the fathers?"

While studying, I was using my electronic Bible. As soon as I finished reading Malachi, the next passage that appeared was the opening chapter of Matthew.

I quickly realized what the Lord wanted to show me.

Not Genesis.

Matthew.

Immediately after the final prophecy of the Old Testament comes the opening of the New Testament:

"The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham."

— Matthew 1:1 (KJV)

Notice how the New Testament begins.

It begins with **generation**.

It begins with **sonship**.

It begins with **fatherhood**.

That immediately brought me to a profound realization:

God's purposes always thrive through generations.

God's Purposes Are Bigger Than Us

One of the major assignments of the Elijah spirit is to break the deception that makes us think God's work revolves around us.

Without realizing it, many of us have become trapped by this mindset.

"My ministry."

"My church."

"My work."

The moment you truly come to terms with God's purpose for your life, you discover that God has already gone beyond you.

Think about Abraham.

Throughout the occasions when Abraham cried to God for a child, what did God eventually speak about?

Not merely Isaac.

Not even Jacob.

Not the twelve tribes.

Instead, God spoke about generations.

"Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs... four hundred years."

— *Genesis 15:13 (KJV)*

Abraham asked about a son. God answered concerning a nation. That is how we must interpret our own journey.

Your Assignment Must Outlive You

Ministry is far bigger than the activities we hurriedly perform today.

Your assignment was designed to outlive you.

That is precisely why it must be built correctly.

One of the reasons God continually raises prophets is because He is interested in continuity.

God wants furtherance.

If everything depended upon one man, the purposes of God would eventually become limited.

There comes a day when even a prophet must tell David,

"You have reached your boundary. You will not build Me a house."

Many ministers want to accomplish everything themselves—even the things God has reserved for their sons.

They have never learned the boundaries established by divine purpose.

They assume ministry is about building a brand.

Sadly, many ministries have become brands larger than Jesus Himself.

Sons Should Become an Improvement

When you truly understand God's transgenerational purposes, your perspective on ministry changes. You begin to understand that your sons are meant to become improvements upon your own life and ministry. Many people do not like that reality. Some only want their sons to become successors to preserve an organization. Others have never even considered sons at all. Some cannot even recognize who their sons are.

Yet God says,

"As you step into the new season, I must send Elijah."

If I do not send Elijah, the earth comes under a curse. That is how seriously God views generational continuity.

Fulfilling Your Calling Is Not Building a Brand

Somewhere along the way, we adopted a ministry template that almost everyone follows. A person senses a call. He approaches his spiritual leader and says,

"Release me into ministry."

Hands are laid on him. Prayers are offered. Then immediately he starts meetings in his house. After that, he rents a hall. He prints flyers. He begins asking people to support the ministry. Later he acquires land. Eventually he builds a permanent site. After that comes a prayer camp. People assume that once these things happen, God has rewarded the ministry. But being established is not the same thing as fulfilling your calling. Fulfilling your assignment simply means understanding what God has called you to do.

Nothing more. Nothing less. All those other things may become part of the journey, but they are never the definition of success.

The Danger of Copying Other Ministries

One of the greatest troubles in the Body of Christ is that everybody seems to know what to do without first asking God.

If a particular ministry model works for someone else, we immediately adopt it.

If another minister prays ten hours, we decide we will pray fifteen.

If another ministry hosts twelve-hour meetings, we announce fifteen-hour meetings.

Not because God instructed us.

Simply because we want to prove we are ahead.

We laugh about it.

But we are actually in trouble.

Sons Must Never Outgrow Fatherhood

There is another danger.

Many sons now operate in isolation because they no longer understand fatherhood.

Some people have become too important to receive counsel.

They believe maturity has made them independent.

They say,

"I am now an apostle."

But becoming an apostle does not eliminate the need for fathers. Whenever someone older in the faith seeks to share his heart and offer counsel, many immediately conclude,

"I already have revelation."

God says there is danger when the hearts of fathers and sons are no longer connected. His purposes will continue beyond every one of us. No matter how intelligent you become, God's work will move past you. Ultimately, what God accomplishes through those who come after you may become even greater than what He accomplished through you. Sometimes your sons will become more widely known than you.

May God find fathers once again. May He raise men and women who can birth things in others that eventually become greater than themselves.

God Always Thinks in Families

When Samuel was sent to anoint Israel's next king, God did not simply say,

"Go to David."

He said, "Go to the house of Jesse."

Did God not know where David was?

Of course He did. Yet He spoke in terms of family. Likewise, Samuel once told Saul,

"...on whom is all the desire of Israel? Is it not on thee, and on all thy father's house?"

— *1 Samuel 9:20 (KJV)*

Notice God's order. The father's house comes first. That is why God must send Elijah. One of the defining characteristics of the Elijah mantle is understanding transition.

Even Elijah Needed Correction

Interestingly, Elijah himself became clouded. May God help us whenever we become similarly clouded. Elijah came before God saying,

"I have been very jealous for the LORD."

Sometimes ministry blinds us until we imagine we are the only people still passionate for God. Have you ever reached the point where you feel everyone else has compromised, and only you remain faithful?

The "anointed blindness" of Elijah caused him to present God with a situation report.

He declared,

"I, even I only, am left."

Yet the best place for a prophet to be corrected is in the presence of God. There are assumptions you will never recognize until God Himself interrupts them. There are things you cannot know until you stop talking long enough for God to speak. May the Lord deliver you from your assumptions.

God Always Has a Remnant

Elijah declared,

"...I, even I only, am left..."

— 1 Kings 19:10 (KJV)

Yet Obadiah had already informed him that one hundred prophets had been hidden in caves, fifty in one cave and fifty in another.

Apparently, Elijah dismissed them.

In his mind, if they were true prophets, they should have been standing openly.

Then God corrected him. He said,

"Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel..."

— *1 Kings 19:18 (KJV)*

God was essentially saying,

"I am never short of replacements."

That is the beauty of prophetic company.

Whenever isolation blinds us, the enemy gains an advantage.

Today, in the name of Jesus, we refuse that spirit of isolation.

The enemy will not gain the upper hand over us.

Amen.

Measure Fulfillment by Obedience

God is always moving beyond us. Do not measure your life by the world's definitions of success. Measure your fulfillment by obedience to the specific instructions God has given you. Many believers become restless because they judge themselves by external standards instead of divine assignment.

Their discouragement comes from comparing themselves with others rather than listening to God's voice. Your validation will never come from public recognition. It comes from faithful obedience to what the Lord has spoken specifically to you.

That is why God declared,

"I will send you Elijah."

Elijah Was a Man Like Us

As I continue these sessions, we will keep returning to Elijah. I love the way James introduces him. The first thing James does is remove every unnecessary mystery surrounding Elijah.

"Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are..."

— *James 5:17 (KJV)*

In other words,

Elijah was a man just like us. One of the greatest needs in our generation is to demystify the prophetic. Every genuine prophet is first a human being. Understanding this protects both prophets and those who receive from them. It keeps us from placing unhealthy expectations upon God's servants.

Personally, I do not lose sleep because someone asks me to hear from God on their behalf. I remember when a governor in this nation requested that I be invited to his state. Someone had met me earlier and told him,

"There is a man you should bring. He has a grace for territorial prayer and prophetic intercession."

So they invited me.

I flew in alone.

I arrived wearing a simple pair of jeans with a cross-body bag.

The journey that followed taught me yet another lesson about the prophetic...

The Prophet Is a Man Like You

I remember arriving in a particular state after I had been invited by the governor. I landed wearing a simple pair of jeans and carrying a cross-body bag. I sat quietly in the airport lobby while the governor remained occupied in a lengthy meeting.

Meanwhile, the officials who had come to receive me were searching everywhere. They kept asking,

"Where is Prophet Ayo? Has he not arrived?"

I said,

"Who are you looking for?"

They replied,

"Prophet Ayo."

I answered,

"I am the one."

They looked surprised.

"Oh... please come."

Later, when they took me to the governor's office, he came out asking,

"Have you brought the prophet?"

They replied,

"Yes, sir. He is seated."

The governor looked around and then asked,

"Where is the prophet?"

I smiled and said,

"He is on his way."

Because, honestly, I did not think of myself in those terms.

His aide then pointed toward me and said,

"Sir, this is the man."

The governor looked again and exclaimed,

"Ah! Are you the prophet?"

I replied,

"Maybe."

He laughed and said,

"I am so sorry. Please, come with me."

As we walked into his office, he joked,

"Oga Prophet, you don't even look like a prophet."

He expected to see someone carrying a shofar, wrapped in a prayer shawl, fitting the image many people have created. But the strength of a prophet is never in appearance.

Neither is it in trying to make himself look acceptable.

Prophetic Authority Does Not Need Advertisement

Think about Elijah.

When Elijah sent a message to the king of Samaria, many of the king's servants did not even know who he was.

Yet they encountered him on the road.

He declared,

"...Is it because there is no God in Israel, that thou sendest to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron?... thou shalt not come down from that bed... but shalt surely die."

— 2 Kings 1:3-4 (KJV)

Those servants carried the message back to the king exactly as Elijah had spoken it. Such was the weight of the prophetic word that they could not remain silent. The authority resting upon Elijah compelled them to deliver the message.

Only afterward did they seem to realize what they had just said before the king. The king asked, "Who was the man that gave you this message?"

They replied, "He was a hairy man, with a leather belt around his waist."

Immediately the king answered,

"It is Elijah the Tishbite."

— 2 Kings 1:8 (KJV)

Notice the contrast. The king recognized Elijah. The messengers did not. A messenger of heaven was never designed to advertise himself. The weight of heaven identifies him.

We Must Strive for Christ, Not Visibility

I say this with humility.

Perhaps I am simply not mature enough in this area. Many times people have encouraged us to build a stronger online presence. Whenever we planned to expand our YouTube ministry, I repeatedly sensed the Lord saying,

"No."

My wife would ask,

"Is everyone else hearing God incorrectly? Must you always be the only one hearing differently?"

Eventually, under authority, we decided to proceed. Very quickly, people began saying,

"Look how fast you are becoming known."

Others said,

"Look at how many followers are coming."

Someone even explained to me how much revenue large ministries generate online.

They spoke about substantial amounts of money.

I thought,

"Perhaps the Lord will eventually permit it."

But by the second morning, a friend from the United States called me.

He said,

"All your pages have been taken down."

I replied jokingly,

"Who brought down my dollars?"

We attempted to rebuild.

Then the Lord spoke clearly.

"If you continue, We will continue bringing it down."

It became obvious that this was not Satan resisting me.

The Lord Himself was preserving something.

He said,

"If you keep pursuing this path, We will keep bringing it down."

Then I asked,

"Lord, why?"

The answer came almost humorously:

"Are you Apostle Arome?"

My largest platform today is House on Fire.

I do not possess many of the platforms people chase.

And perhaps that is intentional.

What we must strive for is not influence.

What we must strive for is **Him**.

Jesus, help us.

A Prophetic Word

At this point in the meeting, Prophet Ayo Jeje paused and ministered prophetically to a woman in the congregation.

He declared:

"For those who hear the Lord, the Holy One of Israel says: I am bringing you into a day of repositioning. I am bringing you into a day of reordering. I am shifting you from place to place. I am bringing you to a new boundary and giving you fresh dimensions."

"I am bringing the plumb line. I am measuring new lines. I am assigning fresh portions and fresh inheritances."

"The reason I am repositioning you is for length of days. This is My response to those who have declared that your days shall be short. I have repositioned you, and I have added to your life."

"I am bringing you into a new focus and into fresh assignments, that you may live long enough to preserve My agenda. I will watch over you," says the Lord, "the Holy One of Israel."

Standing in the Counsel of the Lord

Finally, let me return to the operation that made Elijah a prophetic model. Throughout this conference we have repeatedly referred to one important Scripture.

"For who hath stood in the counsel of the LORD, and hath perceived and heard his word? who hath marked his word, and heard it?"

— Jeremiah 23:18 (KJV)

That phrase—**"the counsel of the Lord"**—is not merely a theological expression.

It is a spiritual reality. It is a place in God. It becomes part of the consciousness of a prophet. When you are there, you know. The Scripture says,

"...who hath perceived and heard His word..."

Many people see visions. But not everyone hears God's interpretation. Hearing His word belongs to those who stand in His counsel. God Himself draws people into that place as they consistently give Him attention. That is where Elijah lived.

"Before Whom I Stand"

Consider Elijah's first recorded appearance.

"And Elijah the Tishbite... said unto Ahab, As the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand..."

— 1 Kings 17:1 (KJV)

Think carefully about that statement. Physically, Elijah was standing before King Ahab.

Yet he declared,

"Before whom I stand."

Who was he really standing before?

Not Ahab.

His consciousness was fixed on God. The atmosphere of the counsel of the Lord had become more real to Elijah than the royal palace surrounding him.

That is the true environment from which prophetic authority flows.

It is not merely a location.

It is a consciousness.

When you live there, fear disappears.

Ahab represented earthly authority.

He travelled with soldiers, servants, royal insignia, and all the symbols of governmental power.

Yet Elijah remained completely unaffected.

His inner reality was greater than his external surroundings.

He was essentially declaring,

"I am not standing before Ahab.

I am standing before God."

May the Lord bring us into that reality.

Do Not Manufacture Words

Many believers become intimidated simply by standing before wealthy or influential people.

Their presence overwhelms us.

We begin to shake.

Then we start manufacturing prophetic words the Lord never spoke.

I remember flying into Lagos from Akwa Ibom.

A prominent political figure who desired to become president urgently requested to see me.

Instead of allowing me to return home, they brought me directly to an overnight prayer meeting.

Before the prayers began, he leaned over and whispered,

"We are going to become president. We know the Lord will speak tonight."

As he spoke, the Lord immediately said to me,

"You may as well go to sleep. They will not become president."

I quietly called one of the pastors present and said,

"Let us spend the night praying about more important matters."

The Lord had already spoken.

Learn to Live in the Counsel of God

Labour to enter that place called the counsel of the Lord. Its reality surpasses every other reality. It is there that fear disappears. It is there that accuracy is preserved.

It is there that a prophet learns to value God's voice above every earthly influence.

As I looked upon someone in the congregation, the Lord began speaking again.

He said,

"I will do a new thing."

You are unfamiliar with what I am about to accomplish.

Then the Lord declared,

"Be still, and know that I am God."

— *Psalms 46:10 (KJV)*

The Lord continued:

"I will be exalted among the nations.

I will be exalted in the earth."

He has never ceased to be exalted.

Yet He speaks this way so that we understand the process.

There are seasons when motion must cease. There are moments when striving must stop. There are times when stillness becomes the doorway to revelation. Some dimensions of knowing will never come while you remain restless. Certain revelations only arrive after you pause before God.

One of the greatest afflictions of our generation is restlessness. Everything urges us to keep moving. Everything pressures us to keep running. Yet there are truths that can only be received in stillness. As the meeting drew toward its close, the Lord highlighted someone in the congregation. Prophet Ayo Jeje declared:

"There is someone here who has been living with a deep fear of physical blindness.

Yet the Lord says He has made you a seer."

The God who opens spiritual eyes is able to preserve natural sight and fulfill His purpose through those who stand before Him.

A Prophetic Word to a Seer

The Lord is showing me someone. There is a history of blindness in your family. Because of that, the enemy has been tormenting your soul with fear. You have repeatedly asked yourself,

"Will I eventually go blind?"

But hear the word of the Lord. The Lord has made you a **seer**. The same prophetic grace that has rested upon my life is coming upon you. The fear that has troubled your heart will not define your future. I will return to minister to you.

Standing in the Counsel of the Lord

Please, let us stand together.

In the day when the speakings of the Lord must become accurate, we must learn to stand in the counsel of the Lord.

That realm must become more real to us than the things we can touch and feel.

When you truly stand in the counsel of the Lord, its reality becomes so overwhelming that whenever your own reasoning attempts to interfere, the voice of the Lord silences it.

Samuel in the House of Jesse

That was exactly where Samuel stood when he entered the house of Jesse.

The moment he arrived, he was overwhelmed by what he saw.

There are moments when natural appearances attempt to exalt themselves above the knowledge of God.

Yet there is a cloud that belongs to the counsel of the Lord.

That cloud interrupts human reasoning.

It cuts through natural conclusions.

Somebody say,

"Cut it off!"

Think about the house of Jesse.

God deliberately sent Samuel there.

Can God raise from your life a house like the house of Jesse?

A household where everyone appears qualified to become king.

A household filled with possibilities.

Even Samuel, the prophet, looked at Eliab and immediately concluded,

"Surely the LORD'S anointed is before him."

— *1 Samuel 16:6 (KJV)*

Everything about Eliab appeared convincing.

Yet because Samuel was standing within the counsel of the Lord, God immediately interrupted his conclusion.

Otherwise, Samuel would have anointed the wrong man.

How many times have fathers in the faith anointed "Eliab" while overlooking "David"?

Not because they lacked sincerity, but because outward appearances seemed convincing.

When discernment is absent, the wrong head receives the oil.

When Yeshua Becomes More Real Than Everything Else

There comes a day when **Yeshua** becomes more real than every other reality around you. That is the day you truly stand in the counsel of the Lord. When that happens, neither the visible nor the invisible can distract your spiritual sight.

The cry of the heart becomes:

"Yeshua...

I want to see Your face.

I want to know Your heart.

Yeshua, my King."

That becomes the longing of everyone who desires to stand before God.

What Can Distract You?

Again the question comes:

"Who hath stood in the counsel of the LORD?"

— Jeremiah 23:18 (KJV)

How is it that the presence of an earthly governor can cause you to lose your spiritual footing?

How is it that beauty, influence, wealth, or status can so easily capture your attention?

Only one thing preserves a prophet from such distractions:

The counsel of the Lord.

The Mount of Transfiguration

Consider again the experience recorded in **Matthew 17**.

"And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart."

— Matthew 17:1 (KJV)

There, Jesus was transfigured before them. The highest expression of standing in the counsel of the Lord is beholding the face of Yeshua.

His presence becomes a reality greater than your dreams.

Greater than your ambitions. Greater than your personal experiences. Greater even than your successes. Everything else becomes secondary.

If your greatest desire is truly to hear the voice of God, then be prepared to allow Him to interrupt your plans.

Be prepared to let Him rearrange your priorities. The voice of the Lord always has the right to tamper with our agendas.

Peter's Suggestion

The Scripture continues:

"And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him."

— Matthew 17:3 (KJV)

Then Peter immediately responded:

"Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles..."

— *Matthew 17:4 (KJV)*

Notice what happened.

The moment Peter encountered a glorious spiritual experience, his natural mind immediately began producing ideas. This is often how we are. God begins giving us an encounter, and before He has finished speaking, our minds begin creating plans.

"We should build something."

"We should establish a ministry." "We should preserve this experience."

Human ideas begin competing with divine revelation.

The Cloud Interrupted Human Reasoning

But before Peter could finish speaking, something happened.

The Scripture says:

"While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them..."

— *Matthew 17:5 (KJV)*

That bright cloud represents the reality of the counsel of the Lord.

It interrupted Peter before his own thoughts could carry him beyond God's intention.

This is my prayer.

Before I depart from God's presence...

Before I rush into my own plans...

Before I begin executing my own ideas...

May I first be absorbed into the counsel of the Lord. Because every time we stand before God to hear Him, our own ideas also arise. May we never run ahead with our own ideas while leaving God's voice behind.

May the cloud of His presence always have the final word. May the counsel of the Lord become such a reality that it swallows up everything that contradicts the voice of God.

Hear me again:

May the counsel of the Lord become a reality that swallows up whatever negates the voice of the Lord.

Peter was presenting his own ideas.

"Master, let us quickly establish this."

"Let us preserve this moment."

"Let us build a house for Elijah, one for Moses, and one for You."

While those ideas were still being expressed, something greater appeared.

**"While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them:
and behold a voice out of the cloud..."**

— *Matthew 17:5 (KJV)*

May the Lord bring you to the day of **the voice out of the cloud.**

Give us that cloud, Lord.

Give us that cloud.

When the Cloud Silences the Flesh

The cloud interrupted every sensual thought. It silenced every emotional conclusion. It stopped every human interruption. Then the voice of the Lord became unmistakably clear. Tonight, I trust the Lord that heaven will invade our space.

May the voice of the Lord become more real than anything we have ever touched...

More real than anything we have ever seen...

More real than every experience we have ever had. Lift your hands to the Lord and bless Him.

A Day of Purification and Alignment

"Lord, we thank You. We thank You because this is the day of the prophet. We thank You because of the responses to Your summons. We thank You because this is a day of purification.

It is a day of alignment.

We bless Your holy name."

God Is Building a Company

In this generation we must build **a company**, not merely a workforce. We must build **a community**, not simply an organization. Our hearts must become joined together.

Our lives must become knitted together. We must present to the Lord a holy habitation.

A spiritual house.

Not merely numbers.

Not merely activity.

Not merely a crowd.

Perhaps what the Lord is seeking is not a multitude.

Perhaps He is looking for a company.

A habitation where He can dwell.

No matter how many human resources we gather on earth, we can never outnumber the hosts of heaven.

Heaven is already ready.

The question is whether the earth will come into agreement with heaven.

May we come into that day when earth synchronizes with heaven.

May we come into that place where the will of the Lord is done on earth as it is in heaven.

May that become our reality.

The Day of the Prophet

May our nation seek the things the Lord Himself seeks. For what shall you pursue when the Lord is looking for something entirely different?

When the Lord seeks a Joseph, shall you spend your strength searching for a Pharaoh?

When the Lord seeks a Moses, shall you look instead for another Pharaoh?

Hear the word of the Lord concerning Nigeria:

"My people have searched for a king when they should have sought a prophet."

This is the day of the prophet.

It is not yet the day of the king.

The Scriptures ask:

"We see not our signs..."

— *Psalm 74:9 (KJV)*

When that becomes the cry of a nation, the next question should be:

"Where are the prophets?"

For this is the day of My voice in the land.

My people have desired a king when they should have desired a prophet.

This is the day of Daniel—not the day of Nebuchadnezzar.

It is the day of Joseph—not the day of Pharaoh.

It is the day of Moses—not the day of Pharaoh.

It is the day of the prophet.

It is the day of My voice in your land.

I will accomplish My purposes regardless of the kings of the earth.

Therefore, let My voice arise.

Speak in the Holy Ghost.

Let the influence of His cloud rest upon every heart that longs to hear His voice.

A Personal Prophetic Word

The Lord began to minister to an individual in the gathering:

"The day your probation is completed, your sound will emerge.

There are five years of equipping before you.

During that season you will learn how to use your trumpet.

I have come as a messenger to hand that trumpet to you.

But you must remain under tutelage.

There is a season of training that must first shape your life.

When your sound finally emerges, another trumpet will be sounding from a distance.

I will join your hearts together.

The sign by which you will recognize him is that he has a military background."

The Lord then declared:

"This man shall become a major prophetic voice."

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus,

Draw us into the place of Your counsel.

Teach us the pathways of intimacy and consecration that lead into that holy realm.

Bring us to the place where Your counsel becomes more real to us than anything we can touch...

Anything we can see...

Anything we can feel...

Or any experience this world can offer.

May Your presence become the greatest reality of our lives.

Glorify Yourself in this house.

In Jesus' mighty name we pray.

Amen.



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