***Compassion and Worship with Prophetic and Intercession***

1. Contending for God’s purposes and Promises
	1. We are to be intentional about recognizing our divine assignment and sovereign alignments with other ministries and reconnecting in a deeper way with some former IHOPKC staff and team.

18…according to the prophecies previously made…by them you may wage the good warfare…
(1 Tim. 1:18)

3…exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered… (Jude 3)

* 1. We are entering a “new season” in the Lord, and we are to be intentional about walking in the truths and promises associated with Luke 4:18–compassion for the poor, power for healing, etc.

18“The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives…” (Lk. 4:18)

1. Sovereign connection with John Wimber ANd the Vineyard ministries
	1. In ***January 1984***, Bob Jones told me that God would connect us with a movement based about
	35 miles southeast of LA. They had a *banner in the Spirit* over them—***“compassion and worship.”*** He was speaking about the Vineyard Ministries in Anaheim under John Wimber (1934-1997). Bob said that our work in Kansas City has a *banner in the Spirit* over us—***“prophetic and intercession”*** He said that the Lord wanted the two movements to cross-pollinate for the benefit of our children.
	2. In ***October 1987,*** Bob heard the audible voice of the Lord saying that John Wimber would call me three months later in January 1988. I was amazed when John called my home in January 1988 to invite me to speak to his staff the following week at their annual retreat that January.
	3. On ***June 5, 1988***, Bob again heard the audible voice of the Lord saying that John would call me within the week because the Lord was going to open three large doors in the Vineyard to me.
		1. Bob said this was going to be a “Holy-Spirit-seminary season” for me that would last for three years. Bob said this was a ***warning and not a promise*** because I did not know how to “go out and come in” before the Lord and the people in the context of a million people. He said, “You will struggle to keep your heart connected to the Lord in a deep way because of the number opportunities and conflicts happening during that time.” John Wimber asked me to go with him to Scotland and England for two weeks in November 1988.
		2. Paul Cain visited with John Wimber on December 3-7, 1988. Beforehand, John asked if there might be a “sign” that would attend Paul’s visit to him. Paul prophesied two earthquakes—one local, to occur on the day he arrived in Anaheim on Dec. 3 at 3:38am (confirming Jer. 33:8), and one international (Soviet Armenia), to occur on the day he left on Dec. 7.
		3. ***“Compassion”*** included healing and ministry to poor by compassion. *“****Worship”*** included worship songs with an intimacy-with-God focus and a platform ministry style exalting Jesus.
2. the Lord highlighted Luke 4:18 to our leadership team on April 9, 2021
	1. On November 20, 2019, Chris Reed recorded a prophecy about the death of Prince Philip. He understood that it would be a timing indicator for an important season in the kingdom. Then he received a prophetic riddle, ***“When the prince will pass, it will be 418 at last******.”*** Just beforeChris’ first meeting with our leadership on ***April 9***, 2021, he heard the BBC news, that Prince Philip had just died, so he asked if ***“418”*** meant anything to us.
	2. In the early 1920s, the Lord promised Paul Cain’s mother a son. Anna Cain then had 5 miscarriages in a row. In 1928, when she was 45-years old, she became pregnant with Paul. In her 8th month of pregnancy, she was suffering with 4 diseases (tuberculous, a heart disease, cancer in both breasts, and 3 tumors in her womb). One night an angel appeared by her bedside saying, *“Daughter*, *be of good cheer, you will live and not die! The child you bear is a male, you shall name him Paul, and he shall preach the gospel and bind up the sickness of My people and shall stand before kings.”*
	She was healed and lived another 60 years to age 105.
	3. Paul Cain’s mother had a strong prophetic gifting. Towards the end of her life she told Paul that she would give him a significant prophetic word before she died. She went into a coma for two months before her death. When she came out of the coma, she prophesied to Paul that what the Lord did in Luke 4:18 would happen in his life, those connected to him, and others. ***She died on April 18 (4/18) at 4:18pm after giving him the scripture on Luke 4:18***! The implications of this was understood as being part of the Lord’s connection between John Wimber (the Vineyard), IHOPKC, and others.
	4. Bert Waggoner, the National Director of Vineyard (2000-2013), said that if he were asked to pick one scripture that defines who the Vineyard is and what their ministry is, he would pick ***Luke 4:18***.
3. divine poetry—Highlighting April 9 and April 18
	1. ***On April 9, 2021,*** *Eric Metaxas interviewed Ken Fish* highlighting the Wimber story (Ken served closely with Wimber) and *Francis Chan and Andy Byrd* made a video, ***“An unlikely Friendship.”***
	2. ***Martin Luther*** took a courageous stand at the ***Diet of Worms*** (an imperial assembly in the city of Worms, Germany) which occurred on ***April 18, 1521*** *(4.18.2021—exactly 500 years ago*).
	Many historians consider this to be the most important day in church history since the book of Acts. Luther was faithful in the face of the threat of his death—*his stand epitomizes a “faithful witness.”*
	3. ***Dietrich Bonhoeffer*** was killed on ***April 9, 1945*** for standing for the Jews and resisting Hitler. Bonhoeffer stood up for the Jews in his zeal for justice, though without a strong reference to the biblical narrative of the end times which stands for justice together with covenantal zeal.
	4. IHOPKC has a divine mandate to stand faithfully for God’s end-time purposes for Israel. Bob Jones had a prophetic word about ***Corrie Ten Boom*** (marketplace). ***Dietrich Bonhoeffer*** is a picture of faithful leadership in the Church. I ponder the implications of the divine poetry on April 9, 2021.
	5. I recommend Eric Metaxas’ award-winning book ***Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy***
	which has sold over 1 million copies and the YouTube link for **“Hanged on a Twisted Cross,”**a documentary on Bonhoeffer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8dLwudaSq90&t=1443s>