

***Contending for God's Promises: 4 Saturdays in May 1983***

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*I have an unusual title that is a bit tongue in cheek and funny. It's a parody of "The 2 Weekends in July." I'm thinking of what happened almost 39 years ago in May 1983, I am calling this "The 4 Saturdays in May" as a fun title. May 7, May 14, May 2, and May 2—four Saturdays in May 1883—39 years ago. (Bob Jones understood that the Lord sometimes gave promises on Sabbaths or Saturdays to highlight Israel and to rest in His sovereignty for the fulfillment of those promise).*

*The events I have listed under Saturday, May 14, may have taken place on May 15 or 16. I don't have the exact date, but just to make my fun title work, I'm saying May 14. It could have been May 15 or 16 to be accurate, but then my cute title gets messed up. I want to be honest; **I think it was most probably Saturday, May 14.** We'll get to that in a minute.*

*Chris Reed spoke a month ago on Sunday September 19, at IHOP's 22nd year anniversary. He highlighted that the Lord spoke to him clearly that IHOP is in a 40-year transitional period like Moses and Joshua who, after 40 years of traveling in the wilderness, were at the Jordan River about to enter the Promised Land—it was a transitional moment for Israel to move from the wilderness to the Promised Land. **He declared to us that we are beginning a 40-year transitional time on our way to our "promised land."** (My experience in Cairo, Egypt occurred on Sept. 19, 1982—we complete 40 years on Sept. 19, 2022—we "begin" year 40 on Sept. 19, 2021).*

*When he said that, I was backstage with Isaac. I did the math, realizing next May 2022, begins of the 40<sup>th</sup> year since our solemn assembly in May, 1983 when we had a 21-day fast and 4 significant prophetic events took place that have marked our history over the last almost 39 years.*

*We begin year 40 next May 2022. That stirred me up when Chris said that. It began new conversations over the last 4 weeks since Chris gave that word on Sunday, September 19, 2021. I've probably had 5 important conversations about the Truman property in 5 years, but I've had 10 significant ones in the last 20 days—leaders randomly asking, "what about the Truman property?" It would be presumptuous of me to give details about it right now because there aren't yet clear confirmations, but there's highlighted energy concerning the Truman property. I am asked every now and again "when we will develop the Truman Property", and I am always passive in my attitude and answers. I don't think much about it, but in the last 20 days, about every other day, I've had a significant conversation about the Truman property being developed. This has been very surprising to me, I will share more as the Lord confirms and clarifies more over the next 6 to 12 months about our plans for the Truman Property. So, for the last 20 days I've been in this conversation about the Truman Property, so I'm thinking about our prophetic history and Chris' prophetic word about the Lord preparing us for a 40-year transition period.*

*Again, one of the Saturdays (May 14, 1983) might have been a Sunday or Monday or Tuesday. That messes up my title, which is a bit tongue in cheek to have fun. so just go with me for fun—I'm not trying to sneak*

something by the gate. I'm just trying to have some fun. (Bob Jones understood that the Lord sometimes gave promises on Sabbaths or Saturdays to highlight Israel and to rest in His sovereignty for the fulfillment of those promise).

One of the Saturdays was May 21 when the Lord spoke of a powerful healing anointing—no disease known to man would stand before the name of Jesus in the midst of this people. I'm will spend maybe five minutes on sharing that encounter if I have time to get to it. But most of you've heard it over the years, I'm alerted. I'm putting things together with new insight.

In the Saturday May 21 prophetic encounter, "No disease known to man will stand before this people" the Lord gave me 2 verses in a prophetic dream that night. It's on the prophetic history on the website if I don't get to it; I spent about a half hour on it, giving details of this significant promise of healing.

In that dream, the Lord gave me two passages: 1 Corinthians 15:10, and Matthew 10:8. I put them on this handout that I made on Thursday. No one knew what was on my handout. I received a text from Chris Reed Friday morning that he had a dream seeing me proclaim 1 Corinthians 15:10 and Matthew 10:8 from the platform. I already had these verses on this handout that was made on Thursday.

There is a 40<sup>th</sup> year transitional period unfolding together with at least 3 different 50-year timing indicators in the backdrop of this 40-year transitional time. So, I am alerted and encouraged, I am paying attention, and I'm seeking to gain more understanding along with many on our leadership team .

When I think of those 4 prophetic words associated with those 4 Saturdays in May 1983, I've have typically interpreted them individually, as prophetic isolated promises that stand on their own,

But now the Holy Spirit is nudging me to ask Him how to interpret those 4 words in context to each other; how each one of those words impacts the other 3 prophetic words. I've never done that. I felt a whisper from the Holy Spirit to go on a journey to see how each of these 4 prophetic words relate to, reflect on, and impact the other 3 prophetic words given on the other 3 Saturdays in May 1983. (All occurring on Sabbaths or Saturdays to highlight Israel and resting in God's sovereignty of fulfill them). I want to stir up the conversation in our spiritual family. Literally, next May—in May 2022, we begin our 40th year, so I think is good to understand this more. And, the Truman land is being highlighted to me in an unusual way right now. (And that my experience in Cairo happened on Sept. 19, 1982—exactly 40 years from Sept. 19,2022)

## **I. THE VALUE OF PROPHETIC MINISTRY AND MY FIRST MEETING WITH BOB JONES**

- A. We are not to base our ministry on prophetic words, but on our relationship with Jesus and His Word. Prophetic promises are given to inspire us to persevere in prayer, holiness, and serving.

***<sup>18</sup>This charge I commit to you, my son Timothy, according to the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you may wage the good warfare... (1 Tim. 1:18)***

We do not base our ministry on prophetic words but on our relationship with Jesus and the Word of God. When I receive a prophetic word, I put it "on the shelf" until the Lord clearly confirms it, and then I let it unfold in His timing. **Corporate prophetic words highlight what He is zealous to do in our midst.** We wage war according to

*them, meaning that when we're tempted to quit or to give in or to cave in, we resist and say, no, no, as we declare His promises that reveal what the Lord is zealous for.*

*So, because we love Him, we care about what He is zealous for and thus we preserve in obedience. If He cares for something, even when we are weary, we can continue knowing He pointed out that He cares about. Because you love Him, you have no good option other than to seek, obey, and serve Him with all of your heart. I mean, the other options are really bad.*

- B. In our first meeting on March 7, 1983, Bob Jones told me many prophetic words (which he repeated on many occasions). He said, "You will lead a worldwide youth movement of singers and musicians that will be used in power evangelism for the global harvest and to mobilize intercession for Israel.

*Paragraph B: In my first meeting with Bob Jones—again, nearly 39 years ago in March 7, 1983—he gave me many prophetic words. Our meeting went on for 2 or 3 hours. I've told the story many times on our prophetic history series over the years.*

*He told me I would lead or inspire a worldwide youth movement—not lead it organizationally but inspire it. He said "You're going to lead a youth movement of singers and musicians, and you will mobilize intercession for Israel." I thought of me inspiring a worldwide youth movement of singers and musicians as unlikely as me leading or inspiring a worldwide movement of fashion designers or of gourmet chefs. I mean, I knew that there was not a chance that I could lead a worldwide youth music/worship movement. That sounded bizarre to me.*

- C. Bob emphasized that the Lord would place us on Harry Truman's property in Grandview as a prophetic sign and wonder. He said that as President Truman was a "political intercessor" for Israel, **so this movement will be spiritual intercessors for Israel.** Truman helped in a unique way to establish the state of Israel on May 14, 1948. Many prophecies indicate that Israel would dwell in their land in the end times in context to Jesus' return (Joel 3:2, 12; Zeph. 3:8; Zech. 12:2-3; 14:2).

*Bob emphasized that our ministry would move from Overland Park to Truman's property in Grandview. At that time, we had many million-dollar houses in the area of our church building and had many young professionals in our local church who were blessed economically. So, Bob Jones tells me that we will move from Overland Park to Grandview. He called Grandview "the blue collar side" of Kansas City. It seemed very unlikely to me that our local church building would move from this prosperous area in Overland Park to Grandview.*

*I told Bob that our people do not shop in Grandview. Bob Jones said, "Oh, they will." I asked why we should move to Grandview, and he repeated, "Because Harry Truman lived there. Truman had had a 600-acre farm in Grandview, Missouri, here in south KC." I did not care if he had a farm here. Bob said, "God's going to put you on his property **as a prophetic sign and wonder**, and it will really matter to you because you'll see how zealous the Lord is about what He's going to do with you on the land that was once owned by Harry Truman."*

*I asked, "Why would I care about Harry Truman's land?" Bob emphasized that that **God showed him clearly that Truman was a political intercessor** who God sovereignly raised up to have a unique role in the rebirthing of the state of Israel on May 14, 1948. There were other important people involved in the rebirth of Israel in 1948, but nobody in the earth with same level of political influence that Truman had.*

*There are many biblical prophecies that make it clear that Israel had to come back to their homeland before the biblical end-time narrative would unfold that results in Jesus returning to earth at His second coming. For nearly 2000 years, Israel had not had a homeland, but the prophetic scriptures make it clear that they would be established in their homeland again before Jesus returns. In other words, the second coming of Christ is related to Israel being restored back to their land.*

*For 2000 years of Church history, many who taught prophetic Scriptures were perplexed by this, some assuming that Israel's return to the land must be symbolic because there was not a chance in the natural that they could reestablish their homeland—thus the rebirth of the state of Israel in 1948 shocked the Church and the world. So, God sovereignly raised up a man from Grandview as a political intercessor who would have a very unique role in the re-birth of the state of Israel in 1948. I didn't want to move to Grandview, nor did I want to pray for Israel. I wanted to see a great revival, signs and wonders, like John G. Lake, Charles Finney, George Whitefield, etc.*

1. Bob said that this movement would have a strong connection with believers throughout Asia. Multitudes in the rice paddies throughout Asia would see our singers on Truman's property via unplugged TV sets in their hands (smart phones) and even on their wristwatches.

*Paragraph one: We were going to have a strong connection with believers in Asia, even in the rice patties, millions of them, he said, all over Asia would have the unplugged TV sets in their hand [smartphones], watching singers on the web steam from the Truman property.*

*These unplugged TV would be owned by the poor who work in the rice patties, not just by the rich who have access to sophisticated equipment, but even the poor would have access to these unplugged TV sets to engage with the singers and musicians on Truman's property.*

*Why did the Lord connect Asia to the Truman property in context to IHOP? Because we are called to work with many other ministries to help mobilize many millions of believers in Asia to stand for Israel. (The Lord highlighted the He would raise up 100 million intercessors for Israel from across many nations including Asia). There are thousands of ministries working under the Lord's leadership in Asia and many other nations to help mobilize many believers in Asia to pray for and to stand with Israel. We're all working on it together because it's a priority to **the Lord who connected the Truman property with Asia**, using the web stream (unplugged TV sets or smart phones) as part of His divine strategy, not only to engage in the spirit of the tabernacle of David but also to stand with Israel. I did not comprehend any of this 39 years ago*

2. The Lord stirred us in strong way to ask Him to raise up **100 million intercessors for Israel**.

*Paragraph 2: Then the Lord stirred us to believe Him to mobilize 100 million intercessors using thousands of ministries around the earth working together. This plan has escalated in the last 20 days.*

*Jerusalem will be a heavy stone (Zechariah 12:2-3) in the earth in the end times. In other words, whoever touches Israel will experience various challenges and pressures. There's stigma at every level, but the Lord wants a prophetic witness for His salvation purposes for Israel right here in Kansas City, even as anti-Semitic rage escalates across the earth. The prayer movement will not be silent until 100 million intercessors are standing with Israel on God's terms—not only in Asia, but throughout Russia, Africa, Latin America, Europe, North America and more*

3. Over the weekend of **January 27, 2008**, we finalized our purchased of the 125 acres that Truman had sold to a Jewish family exactly 50 years earlier on **January 27, 1958**. We currently have 160 acres of Truman's original property which is on **I-49**. The official designation to change the former 71 highway to **I-49** occurred on Dec. 12, 2012 (12-12-12).

*Paragraph 3: I have told this story many times about how we received the Truman property as a gift, free to us, 50 years to the day that Truman sold his land to a Jewish family. First, we received 125 acres, but now it's 160 acres on I-49. That fact that the first 125 acres was given to us without any cost, but as a free gift, 50 years to the day from the day Truman sold it to the Jewish family—that is a timing indicator. It was a Jubilee property. The man who gave us the money said that the Lord showed him it would be a Jubilee property. We would have property debt-free and as a Jubilee property according to Scripture—the land returned to its rightful owner—the intercession movement for Israel.*

*That was one timing indicator that happened on Jan 27, 2008. You can't make that happen. We didn't lift one finger to cause the Truman Property to come to us a free gift at that very timing—the weekend of Jan. 27, 2008. They knocked on our door and a visiting friend gave paid for it totally. I don't know how much that property is worth now with 160 acres on Interstate-49, some millions of dollars.*

*I've done some research on the internet, not super deep, but they are saying there'll be up to 25,000 new jobs over a 5–7-year period (depending on what source you're looking at)—within a 5-mile radius of the Truman property. Then came the surprising development of changing highway 71 to Interstate 49 or I-49. The authorities significantly upgraded Highway 71 to become Interstate 49 on December 12, 2012—that is, on 12-12-12 in a ceremony in Joplin, Missouri. (The transformation of Hwy 71 to Interstate 49 took decades to accomplish. The planning for this change began in the late 1980s, and the construction stage continued for about 20 years, from the early 1990s to Dec. 2012).*

*So, the I-49 is positioned to bring much increased wealth to the area on 12-12-12. Some see divine poetry in this by seeing Interstate 49 or I-49 symbolically pointing to Isaiah 49—Isaiah 49 is one of the main chapters in the prophetic Scriptures that highlights the restoration and salvation of Israel. Isaiah 49:12 speaks of Sinim, which most agree speaks of China (thus, Asia) as serving God's end-time salvation purposes for Israel. The way that the dates and events occurred related to the Truman Property are unusual—I see divine poetry in it.*

- D. In my opinion, from a prophetic point of view, the Truman property is one of the most unique and significant lands on the earth that is related to Israel—that is not inside the land of Israel itself.

*Bob emphasized that Truman was a political intercessor who was God sovereignly raised up to have a unique role in the rebirthing of the state of Israel. Truman is the only man in history who has done that—yes, Cyrus helped Israel to return to their land in 538 BC (Isa. 45:1-6; Ezra 1:1-4) and it was remarkable but at that time Israel's national identity and "statehood" was still partially intact. Although the Jews suffered greatly in Babylon, they had maintained their national identity. They had officially appointed elders who supervised the Jewish communities in Babylon. So Cyrus and Truman were not in the exact same situation and what they did was not exactly the same. Israel did not have a homeland for nearly 2,000 years from AD 70 until 1948. Only one man has ever been used by God like Truman leading to the re-birth of the state of Israel.*

*Therefore, in my opinion, from a Holy-Spirit prophetic point of view, the Truman Property is one of the most unique and significant pieces of land on the earth that is related to Israel—outside of the land of Israel itself.*

*Another encouraging part of this prophetic story is what an angel told Bob Jones on August 8, 1982. On August 8, 1982, Bob had one of his most dramatic prophetic encounters. He had a few prophetic encounters, but I identify maybe about 10 of them as being in the “most important and dramatic” category (not that we need to rate prophetic encounters).*

*One of them was on August 8, 1982—he said an angel appeared to him and spoke to him about God sending great finances to Kansas City, even at the time where there would be great famine in the earth. The angel emphasized that there will be supernatural finances coming to Kansas City (including Grandview). At that time, Kansas City will be a world-shipping center. Now Center Point Intermodal Center is a massive, new shipping center via trains and trucks. On the internet, it claims to bring new 2,000 jobs to the Grandview area. They'll be reaching most of the major shipping ports in Canada, Mexico, and the US. It is being built and developed right now, and they're going to have such aggressive shipping to the major ports in Canada, Mexico, the eastern and west coasts of the United State. It's an elaborate campus that is over 1,500 acres with over \$300 million of investment and 5 million square feet. You can go drive by to see it as it is being built.*

*The new Cerner in south Kansas City is a new \$5 billion facility with estimations of 16,000 new jobs. Google Fiber picked Kansas City to be the first city on the earth with the Google fiber as extensive as it is. (The software giant Oracle announced its agreement to acquire Cerner for \$28 billion—December 2021)*

- E. What is the message in the 4 Saturdays in May 1983 when seen as being parts of one storyline? In May 2022 we begin our 40<sup>th</sup> year since the solemn assembly in May 1983. On Sept. 19, 2021 Chris Reed spoke of us entering a transition from 40 years in the wilderness to the promise land.

*Paragraph E: My challenge to us is that we engage in a family conversation over the next six months, leading up to May 2022, when we begin our 40th year after the 21-day solemn assembly in May 7-21, 1983. I want us to ask the Holy Spirit how each one of these 4 prophetic words reflects and impacts on the other 3. Again, Chris Reed spoke just a month ago at our 22nd anniversary about us entering a 40th year transitional season.*

*I recognize three 50-year timing indicators that have come together as a backdrop to the beginning of our 40-year transitional period from the wilderness to the promised land—that is, to the season where our long-term prophetic promises will come into greater fulfillment and open manifestation.*

*The first 50-year timing indicator—was one that would bring kingdom blessing to Israel. It is in context to receiving the “**Jubilee**” **Truman Property** on January 27, 2008.*

*The second 50-year timing indicator—would bring kingdom blessing to Kansas City and the larger body of Christ. It is in context to the “**Jubilee**” **KC Chief's Super Bowl victory and The Send Arrowhead** (now scheduled for spring 2022). Bob Jones prophesied in the late 1980s that when the Chiefs won their second Super Bowl, **God would have a kingdom appointment in Arrowhead Stadium with the body of Christ.***

*The Kansas City Chiefs football team have won only two Super Bowls. They were exactly 50 years apart—in 1970 and 2020. For some months before the Chiefs won the 2020 Super Bowl, Andy Byrd had been in negotiations with Arrowhead leadership about hosting The Send Kansas City in Arrowhead Stadium.*

*The third 50-year timing indicator is personal to me—I celebrate 50th year of preaching in February 2022. I started preaching on a weekly basis in February of 1972.*

*And then there's a 40<sup>th</sup>-year transitional prophetic word from Chris Reed, from the wilderness to the promised land, and the upcoming May 2022 as being the beginning of our 40<sup>th</sup> year since our solemn assembly in May 7-21, 1983 (and my experience in Cairo was on Sept. 19, 1982—exactly 40 years ago to Sept. 19, 2022)*

*In other words, this 40-year transition has the backdrop of 3 different 50-year timing indicators converging in the same timeframe inspires me personally. We don't have to know for sure what all that means, but I'm alerted, and I'm paying attention to the divine poetry that is unfolding. In this the Lord has shown His zeal for these purposes so we must not draw back on anything that the Lord has shown His zeal for. Because these purposes are shown to be dear to Him, and because we love Him, therefore, they're dear to us, even though they include rigorous work with sacrifice along with elements of stigma and economic challenges. But know that Jesus is zealous for these and that He delights to partner with us and to help us.*

## **II. SATURDAY #1—MAY 7: A COMET UNFORSEEN BY SCIENTISTS WILL BE A SIGN**

- A. On April 13, the Lord spoke to me about Daniel 9-10 and calling a 21-day fast starting on May 7. The main themes of Daniel 9-10 include the restoration of Israel and her national salvation.

*Saturday #1 on May 7—The background to this is seen in what occurred in April 1983—39 years ago. We had been in Kansas City about 6 months and we launched a new young adult church in Overland Park, a prosperous area of Metro Kansas City. We're having nightly prayer meetings. By the grace of God, He has helped us to continue those prayer meetings since then—throughout the 17 years that I pastored Metro Christian Fellowship and now through 22 years of IHOPKC.*

*So, on Wednesday night on April 13, we had about 10 or 20 people in our nightly prayer meetings. The Lord spoke clearly to me from Daniel 9-10 about hosting a 21-day fast that would start on May 7, 1983.*

*By the way, Daniel 9-10 is about the end-time salvation of Israel. You could read it on your own sometime. In Daniel 9, Gabriel appeared to Daniel and spoke to him about the salvation of Israel and the restoration of their national identity. But at that time, I didn't care or think much about Israel*

- B. On April 14, Bob said that Gabriel visited him saying, "Give the young man Daniel 9, and he will understand;" the fast would be confirmed by a comet unpredicted by scientists on May 7.

*Paragraph B: The next morning I called Bob Jones, whom I had only known for 5 weeks. I said, "Bob, something happened to me last night." He said, "I already know. I saw it, so just come over to my house, and I will tell you what I saw." I brought two guys with me to be witnesses in case something unusual happened—and something very usual surely did occur.*

*While driving to Bob's house, I told them that Gabriel appeared to Daniel in Daniel 9 and about his 21-day fast in Dan. 10 and that I was going to call a 21-day fast in 3 weeks on May 7, 1983.*

*Bob immediately started by saying that he had seen Gabriel the night before. Gabriel said to Bob, "Give the young man Daniel 9, and he will understand." Bob added that the Lord would send a comet across the sky on May 7, unpredicted by scientists, and it would be a sign so that we would not doubt that this 21-day fast was the Lord's sovereign purpose.*

*I've been on a few 21-day fasts. I mean, if you hang out with Lou Engle, you are going to have many opportunities to join him on a long fast. He's one of my dear friends. I love that about Lou—his unique calling to call so many people to fast and pray for God's purposes.*

*I call our solemn assembly in May 7-21, 1983 “the” solemn assembly.*

*When I look at my near 50 years of ministry, it's the one solemn assembly that I participated in that was related to Gabriel appearing and being confirmed by a comet—to show how zealous God was for His specific purposes in that 21-day solemn assembly.*

- C. On May 7, a local newspaper reported a comet unpredicted by scientists. The article, “1983: May's Surprise Comet,” (Harvard Center for Astrophysics) said it was first seen on April 25.

*Paragraph C: Bob Jones came to me on May 7 in our 700-seat sanctuary in Overland Park that was filled with people from all over the Kansas City area. Bob came up to me sitting on the front row and showed me the newspaper that described a comet unpredicted by scientists that had come across the United States. He said, “I told you on April 14, three weeks ago, that a comet would come on May 7 to confirm how much God cares about what's happening in this 21-day fast.” So, on the first Saturday, we received a unique confirmation that shows God's zeal and commitment to this 21-day fast.*

### **III. SATURDAY #2—MAY 14: 24/7 PRAYER WITH WORSHIP & GROWING TO 5,000**

- A. The Lord said, “*I will establish 24-hour prayer in the spirit of the tabernacle of David*” (in context to Psalm 27:4). The day before this, I had prayed Psalm 27:4 throughout the entire day.

***‘One thing I have desired of the LORD, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple. (Ps. 27:4)***

*Saturday #2 on May 14—Again, this really might have happened on Sunday, Monday or Tuesday, because I wasn't thinking of documenting key events that would be important to a movement that would inspire singers and musicians around the world to stand for Israel. So, I was not paying enough attention to the dates when some key things happened. I'm pretty sure it was Saturday, but I don't want to be heavy on that because Israel became a nation on May 14, and I don't want to publicly connect to that date unless I am sure. That would be presumptuous. It's a very good chance it was May 14 but it could have been May 15 or 16 or 17. All 21 days were very similar with the same schedule from 6am to midnight, so we lost track of what day it was. (Bob Jones understood that the Lord sometimes gave promises on Sabbaths or Saturdays to highlight Israel and to rest in His sovereignty for the fulfillment of those promise).*

*The day before I prayed Psalm 27:4 throughout the entire day from 6am until midnight. I whispered it to God many times throughout the day. I don't mean literally every minute. I said, Lord, “I gaze on Your beauty.”*

*I'd never heard a sermon on Psalm 27:4, and I'd never preached one on it. No one ever talked about Psalm 27:4 like they do today. I had never thought about Psalm 27:4, to be honest, but I whispered it throughout that one day, every couple of minutes. It wouldn't let go of me as I walked back and forth in the prayer meeting. Again, it could have been a Sunday or Monday because all the days were so similar.*

*Bob came to me the next day and said that the Lord spoke to him audibly and that he saw an angel*

*The Lord spoke to Bob saying something like, “Tell Mike, ‘Yes, I’m going to answer his prayer.’”*

*I said, “Okay, I’m counting on that. Which prayer is the Lord referring to? Ephesians 1, or Philippians 1, or Colossians 1?” I had probably prayed 10 times a day on the microphone, so I just went down the whole list of apostolic prayers. They were a pretty rough prayer meetings. So, I asked Bob, “Which prayer is the Lord saying yes to?” He said, “None of them, but to the prayer that the Holy Spirit gave you yesterday.”*

*I said, “I’m not following you.” He said, “Psalm 27:4.” I thought, “My goodness, how did Bob know that?”*

*Bob said, “The Lord showed me that He put that in your heart yesterday.” I didn’t say too much. Bob told me that God was calling us to 24/7 prayer in the spirit of the Tabernacle of David. He told me that Psalm 27:4 is a reference to prayer in the spirit of the tabernacle of David. I said, “That’s not what it means. Go read it and see that the first 3 verses are about military conflicts and David fearing for his life. And then in verse 4, David has this cryptic prayer about gazing on God’s beauty. “*

*Bob told me that I would live the next many years in the outflow of this verse— Psalm 27:4. In a time of military conflict and the fear and violence and death, David found safety and peace by interacting with the beauty of the Lord in context to prophetic music as the first line of defense for his heart and life. We can be empowered by joy and fascination even more than we are challenged by the difficulties associated with the stigma of some of the messaging and the pressures of the Harlot Babylon and the Antichrist’s reign of terror.*

- B. An angel told Bob that 5,000 intercessors would relocate to Kansas City—they would find a new home in Kansas City in context to a flood of the Spirit. **The increase from 500 to 5,000 will be by multiplication** and then to 10,000 by addition. Bob told me that this increase to 5,000 and more was related to raising up intercessors for Israel on the Truman property. The angel told Bob this would be confirmed as we watched “Mississippi.” About a week later, Bob showed me a newspaper article that reported that 5,000 people moved overnight because of a flood in Jackson, Mississippi.

*Bob continued on to say that he saw an angel who said, “When they get to 500, **they will grow to 5,000 overnight by multiplication.**” I said, “When we get to 500 what? Church members?” Because we already had 500 church members. Bob said, “No, not 500 church members but full-time intercessors.” I said, “Excuse me, what did you say?” We had maybe 10 on our church staff, and Bob was talking about 500 staff members.*

*“Yes. 500 full-time singers and musicians, and intercessors!” I said, “It is not possible to have 500 staff members, and definitely it is not possible to grow to 5,000 staff members overnight.” I asked Bob, “What would these staff members do all day? “*

*He answered, “I guess they will pray.” That was inconceivable to me and bizarre! I let Bob know that none of this made any sense to me. He said that an angel Lord stood in front of him and said, **“Watch Mississippi,”** for the confirmation that **by a flood of the Spirit 5,000 people will find a new home in Kansas City**—not that the house itself would be a new construction, but they would relocate to Kansas City—5,000 of them coming overnight, to a live in a new location via a flood. We don’t know if overnight means a 24-hour period or whatever. That 5000 will come overnight by multiplication, and later it would increase to 10,000 by addition, so 5,000 by multiplication overnight and 10,000 by addition, and the angel said it will then go to 15,000 by addition*

- C. I do not remember the exact day of this prophecy—it was between May 14-17—about one week (plus or minus a day or two) before the Mississippi flood was reported in newspapers on Monday May 23. Sometimes I have guessed it being on Saturday and other times on Monday or Tuesday. In my journal about 10 years later, I wrote down the latest day possible was on Tuesday May 17. (Bob Jones understood that some promises are given on Sabbaths to highlight Israel and His rest).

*The angel said to watch “Mississippi.” It was about a week later (give or take a day or two more or less), on Monday, May 23, Bob showed me a newspaper article that confirmed this. Again, I’m not locking this in to May 14 or May 15 or 16, but on May 23rd, he showed me a newspaper article that described 5,000 moving out of their house overnight by a natural flood in Mississippi.*

*He said, “An angel stood in front of me and told me this.” He went on, “This is a sign and a wonder, I sure you what’s going to happen one day. Watch it. It’s going to increase to 10,000 by addition.” Then maybe a week later, I can’t remember the time frame, but, I saw the headline that 10,000 had been moved out of their homes into a new place. After I read that article, I began to take the whole prophetic word seriously about doing 24/7 in the spirit of the Tabernacle of David according to Ps. 27:4 and growth to 5,000 by the flood of the Spirit.*

*Bob insisted that I understand that this would be connected to the Truman property and the mandate to raise up intercession for Israel in Asia and around the world. And there’s something about Mississippi that I think will be important—probably a crisis related to the Mississippi River or something that will be obvious to many in the nation—I assume it’s a crisis causing an upheaval that results in 5,000 relocating to KC overnight, though I am not sure.*

*Saturday #2 on May 14 included the glorious revelation of the beauty of Jesus to energize us to sustain the rigorous work required to maintain 24/7 prayer with worship and to navigate the challenging human dynamics involved when 5,000 full-time people with different backgrounds, mindsets, commitments, and agendas work closely together, seeking to walk out team spirit and community together, and then bearing the stigma and persecution that will come with standing for Israel in the midst of escalating anti-Semitism in many nations.*

*This will also result in a global controversy around that property in which people will be glad, mad, and sad all around the globe with 5,000 intercessors serving God in a full-time way and standing for Israel in one geographic location. This will be a prophetic witness to His salvation purposes for Israel. I am sure that the fascination, joy, and strength that come by engaging with the beauty of God and with one another will be stronger than the pressures, the rigorous work, and personal costly sacrifices.*

- D. Israel became a nation on May 14, 1948, which was 35 years earlier than May 14, 1983

*I’m thinking this promise happened on Saturday May 14, 1983, but do not want insist on it because it an important prophetic day in God's end-time salvation purposes so I don't want to stand before God and misrepresent this by declaring at being on that date with certainty, but I thinking it was that Saturday, but it could have been the next day or two.*

*I know I'm over qualifying this because I want to be honest before the Lord with key dates and events*

#### **IV. SATURDAY #3—MAY 21, 1983: NO DISEASE KNOWN TO MAN WILL STAND**

- A. The Lord spoke to Bob in a dream and said, “Psalm 28 is for this people.” On Saturday, May 21, the Spirit visited me while I was reading Psalm 28. I was instantly in a spirit of travail with the feeling of “electricity” resting on my body. I knew it was related to a promise of the healing anointing.

*Saturday #3 on May 21—I'm not going spend much time on this right now because I've covered it many times and have videos and transcripts of me sharing it – it is posted on my Free Teaching Library at [mikebickle.org](http://mikebickle.org) on the internet. I'm running out of time so I will be very brief. This is the prophetic promise that no disease known to man will stand before this people. I was given 2 passages in a prophetic dream that night: 1 Corinthians 15:10 and Matthew 10:8—the very verses that Chris Reed gave me last Friday morning. He saw me declaring these verses publicly. I think how glorious it will be to see sick and broken people healed*

- B. That night I had a prophetic dream about this movement receiving a powerful healing anointing that would touch many in the nations. *The Lord gave me Matthew 10:8 and 1 Corinthians 15:10.* The next morning, Bob said to me, “You received the promise of a healing anointing last night. In my vision last night, the Lord appeared to me wearing a banner/sash that said, ‘**Jehovah Rapha, I am the Lord that heals you**’ (Ex 15:26). [*Jehovah* means the “Lord,” and *Rapha* means “to heal.”] The Lord took the banner off and put it on you as a representative of this movement. He said to you, ‘**No disease known to man will stand before this people.**’ The Lord told me to declare to you, ‘*Matthew 10:8 and 1 Corinthians 15:10—freely you have received, freely give—it is all by grace.*’” Bob said, “There will be some healings today as a token of what will occur in a greater measure.”

#### V. SATURDAY #4—MAY 28, 1983

- A. On May 28, 1983, Bob said that he had good news and bad news. The bad news—revival was not coming immediately; the spiritual drought over America would continue until God's appointed time to send the rains of the Spirit. Bob prophesied a natural drought in Kansas City lasting 3 months.
- B. The good news—the natural rain would come exactly on August 23 to show that God had sovereignly appointed a day when the “spiritual drought” in the US would end. The natural drought lasted from July 1–October 1, 1983. It was the second worst drought on record for Kansas City.

*Saturday #4 on May 28. It was the last day of the fast, after 21 days of fasting that involved Gabriel, a comet, a healing anointing, and wonderful promises. We assumed revival would break out very soon. We were full of anticipation and excitement to see what God would do that night and in following months. Bob Jones went up to the platform on the final night, May 28, and said, “I have good news and some bad news. The good news is God is really going to move in power in His perfect timing.*

*The bad news is that the spiritual drought that's on this nation is not going to be lifted right now. The spiritual drought on the USA is going to continue. Yes, there's still going to be kingdom activity still going on, but nothing compared to what it will be when that spiritual drought is completely lifted.”*

*On May 28 he said, “August 23, rains will come that day as a token and proof that there is sovereignly appointed time when the spiritual drought will completely lift over this nation.*

*And the Lord will show you this by sending natural rain on an appointed day in the midst of a natural drought.” Nobody could have guessed on May 28 that it would rain on August 23 during a drought. People in 1983 experienced the second worst drought in KC’s history of some 100 years of record keeping, something like that.*

*I remember that we all gathered on that Tuesday on August 23, 1983 for an evening church service that began at 7pm. It rained so hard from about five minutes to 7pm to maybe 10 minutes after 7pm—such that many of the people who arrived in the parking lot had to wait up to 10-15 minutes before leaving their car to come into the building to avoid being soaked with rain.*

*When we all got into the building, the people were shouting praise to God throughout the worship time. We were so excited by this token of rain that came on August 23 exactly as Bob had prophesied on May 28.*

*Bob didn’t say that the spiritual drought in America would be over on August 23, but that the natural rain on that night was a prophetic sign or token that there was coming a day in which God's will sovereignly act to lift the spiritual drought, so, do not worry. It’s all under His sovereign control.*

## **VI. SUMMARY—A FEW BRIEF INITIAL OBSERVATIONS**

*We had prophetic encounters in these 4 Saturdays in May 1983. Here are some of my observations:*

***In Saturday #1**, a comet came, showing us how zealous God is related to what He ordained related to the solemn assembly such as what Gabriel showed Daniel about the salvation of Israel as recorded in Daniel 9-10 and the promises that the Holy Spirit highlighted throughout the solemn assembly itself especially related to 24/7 prayer in the spirit of the Tabernacle of David for Israel and the end-time harvest.*

***In Saturday #2** we see how zealous God is related to revealing the beauty of God to empower us to sustain 24/7 prayer in the spirit of the Tabernacle of David and to **lead 5,000 full time intercessors to Kansas City related to the Truman property and, thus, to raising up 100 million intercessors Israel** from many nations. God wants a prophetic witness to His salvation purposes for Israel.*

*There will be much controversy around 5,000 intercessors serving God in a full-time way and standing for Israel in one geographic location. **The message of the beauty of the Lord** is “the oil” for our hearts to empower us to persevere (Mt. 25:4, 9).*

*We can be empowered by joy and fascination even more than we are challenged by the difficulties.*

***In Saturday #3** we see how zealous God is related to the healing anointed in which no disease known to man will stand before God’s people, as His servants walk in His grace, obeying Jesus and freely giving and receiving.*

***In Saturday #4** we see how zealous God is related to us persevering in faithfulness to His call to 24/7 prayer with worship and more, and to stand strong for Israel, even in the face of a spiritual drought in our nation*

*We’ve got six months before we begin our 40<sup>th</sup> year after the 4 Saturdays in May 1983. **Amen, let stand.***