

## **TWO WORDS FOR OUR TIMES**

The Australian Prayer Network has received two words that we feel should be shared with the wider Body of Christ for discernment. They have already been shared with a number of leaders who have encouraged us to publish them across our network. We simply ask that you prayerfully consider these words and either receive them or lay them aside according to the revelation God gives to you of their significance.

The words came during a recent prayer journey to Egypt and correspond with what the team experienced in the natural realm as well. Both words were received in the context of team meetings where there was no recording equipment available therefore the prophecies are not word for word but rather summaries of the general consensus of what the words said.

### **THE FIRST WORD - THE STORM**

#### **CONTEXT IN THE NATURAL**

During the trip to Egypt we encountered two severe storms which, according to local leaders travelling with us, were both unusual in their intensity, and in their timing, happening as they did at the wrong time of the year for such activity. Both of these storms caused widespread local flooding of roadways and shops in the cities of Alexandria and Cairo. In some cases walls and fences built on the sands of the desert were undermined and swept away by the unusual amount of rain received. The locals referred to the rain which accompanied the storms as a "curse" because with Egypt receiving very little rain they are not prepared with proper drains etc to deal with such a volume of water, hence the destruction which occurred.

#### **THE WORD ITSELF**

In this time of the changing of the season, I am coming as a storm which will strike with such force that many will wonder at its origin. Many will credit the storm as a work of the enemy but I say to you I will be in the storm which will be the work of my hand. It will cause much destruction which will be directly commensurate with the level of preparation undertaken for its arrival. Where my people have not prepared themselves for my coming it will bring destruction, but where my people have prepared they will survive and the storm will bring much blessing as a result of the rain that will accompany it. When the storm has finally passed it will be seen by those left standing, to have brought both great blessing and renewed focus and correction to my Church.

#### **APPLICATION**

Whilst received in Egypt there was a witness of the spirit that the word had international significance and was related to the significant upheaval occurring worldwide, beginning with the economic collapse being experienced, but which is now undermining job security and household incomes as well as giving to Christian ministry. We sensed it also had spiritual significance as to the level of preparation spoken of and the resultant destruction which would occur. The reminder that the storm will also bring much needed rain reveals the truth that the discipline of God results in much blessing where there are hearts prepared to accept His correction and follow His ways for the future.

## **THE SECOND WORD – THE EYE OF THE NEEDLE**

### **CONTEXT IN THE NATURAL**

The Suez Canal is a unique water way. It is possibly the most strategic stretch of water in the world and also the narrowest. The second word came as we met on the banks of the Suez Canal which God used to help us understand the significance of the reference to the "eye of the needle".

### **THE WORD ITSELF**

Just as I have asked you to travel through Port Said, which is the eye of the needle of the waterway known as the Suez Canal, so I will also require my people to travel through the "eye of the needle" to reach the new season I am opening up for them. The gateway between the season which is ending and the new season I am bringing to my people is the "eye of the needle". No one will be able to pass through the "eye of the needle" unless they are willing to let go of the baggage they have accumulated during the "old" season which is now passing. I call you to begin to rebuild the house of the Lord (Haggai 1:1-14) but the material that you are to use for that task will only be found on the other side of the "eye of the needle". Anything that is built from the material that was used in the "old" season I will destroy. Much change both in your individual lives and the corporate life of my people will be needed. Those able to make the transition through the "eye of the needle" will find on the other side the building material for the new season I am fashioning. There they will also find hammered silver which is to be fashioned into two silver trumpets. The first, when made, is to be used to call together the leaders of God's people. When the second is finished it is to be sounded to call the people through into the new season I am fashioning for you. (See Numbers 10: 1-9 for further insight).

### **APPLICATION**

We are currently living in a strategic changing of the spiritual season. The material that we used to build in the old season cannot be taken into the new season and must be left at the gate, which is the biblical "eye of the needle". Only when we allow God himself to refine us for the season ahead will we be able to go through the entrance gate which is the "eye of the needle". Only when we reach the other side will we find the material that we will need to build the "House of the Lord" according to God's plan for the new season we are entering.

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