

Gift of Prophecy

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For you may all prophesy



A vibrant rainbow arches across a cloudy sky, casting a soft glow over a lush green valley. The foreground shows a steep, forested hillside on the left, with some tree branches visible in the upper left and lower right corners. The valley below is filled with dense green vegetation, and the horizon is hazy under a sky of white and grey clouds.

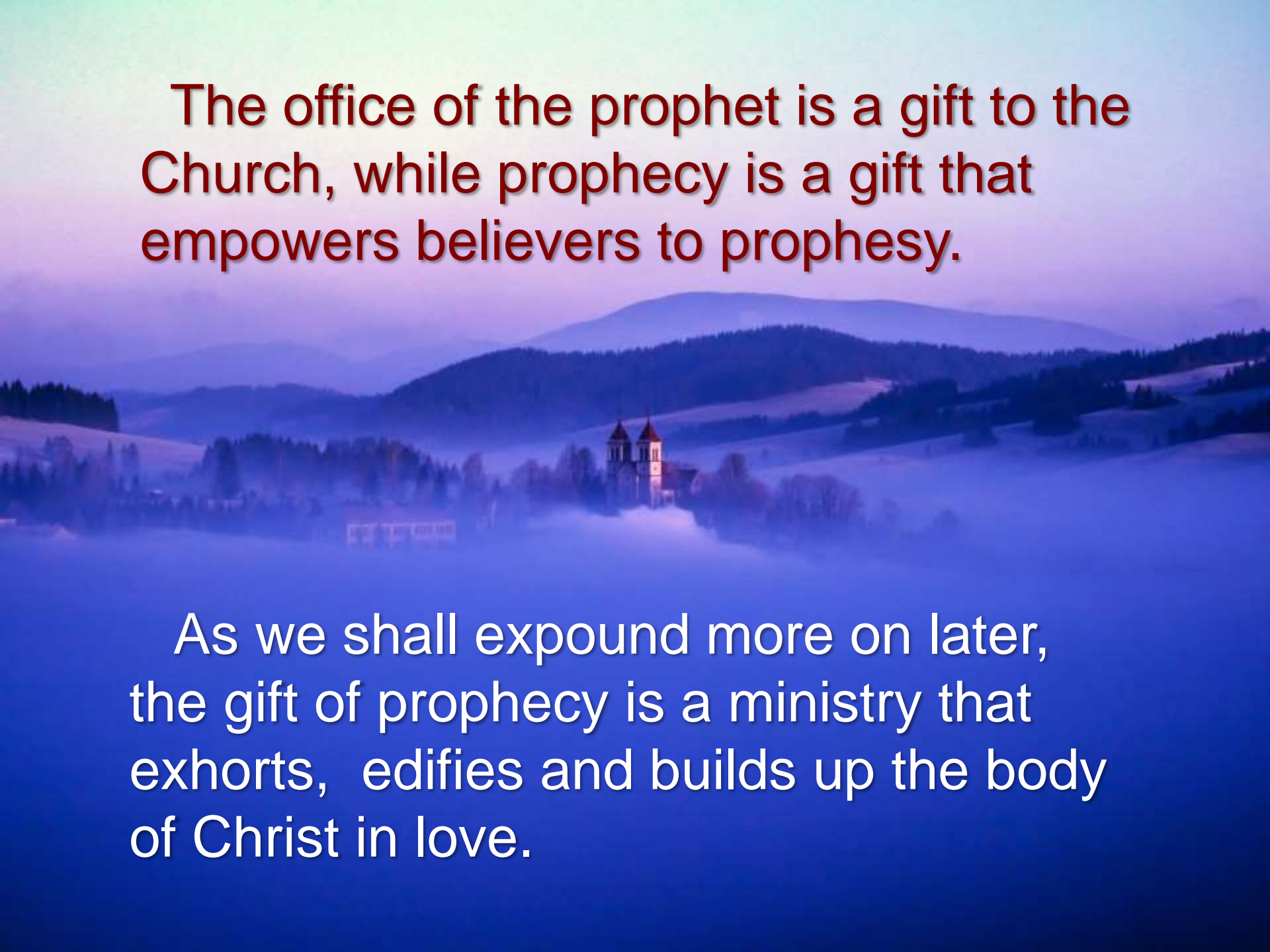
Lesson #1

All Must Prophecy

It is the call of every believer to operate and function in the prophetic.



There is a difference between operating in the office of the prophet and the ministry of the gift of prophecy.

A scenic landscape with rolling hills, a church with two towers, and a misty atmosphere. The church is the central focus, situated on a hillside. The background shows more hills and a clear sky. The overall tone is peaceful and serene.

The office of the prophet is a gift to the Church, while prophecy is a gift that empowers believers to prophesy.

As we shall expound more on later, the gift of prophecy is a ministry that exhorts, edifies and builds up the body of Christ in love.

The evidence of God pouring out His Spirit, is always that of prophecy. Let's look at the event that happened in Numbers 11:24-25.

The Lord gathered 70 men around the Tabernacle of Moses. He then took the Spirit that was upon Moses and placed it upon the 70 elders.

“And it came to pass when the the Spirit rested upon them, they prophesied (v. 25).

When Saul met a company of worshipping prophets, “The Spirit of the Lord came upon him and he prophesied among them” (1 Samuel 10:10).


On the day of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit filled the 120 that had gathered, they spoke as the Spirit gave them utterance.

“And those that had gathered, heard them speak in their own language the wonderful works of God” (Acts 2:11).

Let's look at the thread that weaves throughout the Bible of God's heart for His people to prophecy.

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20 Hudet er en tukt og lærer til livet.
21 Når du gir, skal de lyse opp
og når du våkner,
skal de tale til sleg.
22 For huden er en lykt
og lærer er lys,
reising og tukt er en vei
til livet.

An open Bible is shown from a top-down perspective, lying flat. The pages are white with black text. A large, bold, red quote is superimposed over the center of the Bible. The quote reads: "Isaiah 51:16 God proclaims, 'I have put My words in your mouth, and I have COVERED YOU in the shadow of My HAND... and say unto Zion, You are My people.'" The background behind the Bible is a soft, out-of-focus blue sky with light clouds. The Bible's cover is dark, possibly black or dark brown.

*Isaiah 51:16 God proclaims, “
“I have put My words in your
mouth, and I have COVERED
YOU in the shadow of My
HAND... and say unto Zion,
You are My people. “*

Listen to the Old Testament Covenant
God has made with His people.

“As for Me, this is MY COVENANT with them, says the Lord, My Spirit that is upon you and My words which I have put in your mouth shall not depart out of your mouth... (Isaiah 59:21).

A vibrant rainbow arches across a dramatic, cloudy sky, casting a soft glow over a lush green field of tall grass. The scene is captured in a wide-angle shot, emphasizing the vastness of the landscape and the beauty of the natural world.

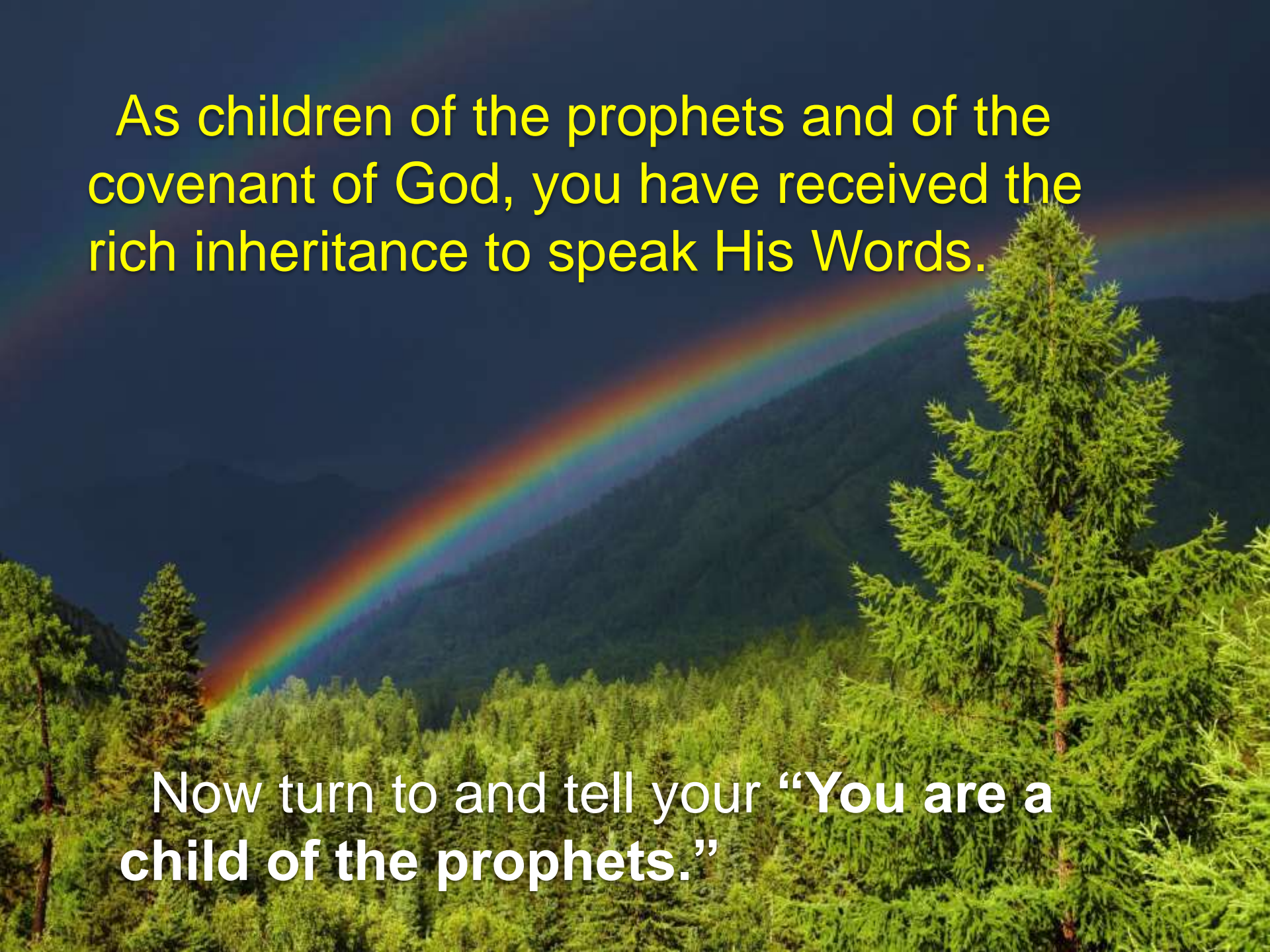
*The Covenant promise of God is to put
His words in our mouth.*

*This continues into the New Testament as
confirmed by Acts 3:24-25,*

“Yes, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken has foretold of these days.

You are the CHILDREN of the prophets, and of the Covenant which God has made with our Fathers....



A vibrant rainbow arches over a dense forest of evergreen trees. The rainbow is the central focus, stretching from the left side of the frame towards the right, with its colors clearly visible against the dark green of the forest. In the foreground on the right, a large, well-developed evergreen tree stands prominently, its branches reaching towards the top of the frame. The background shows rolling hills or mountains covered in similar forest, under a clear sky. The overall scene is bright and colorful, suggesting a clear day after a rain shower.

As children of the prophets and of the covenant of God, you have received the rich inheritance to speak His Words.

Now turn to and tell your **“You are a child of the prophets.”**

Lets Declare This Together

As redeemed of the Lord, I am a child of the prophets. God's Covenant is that He has placed His words in my mouth.

For it is written, "*For you may all prophesy*" (1 Corinthians 14:15).

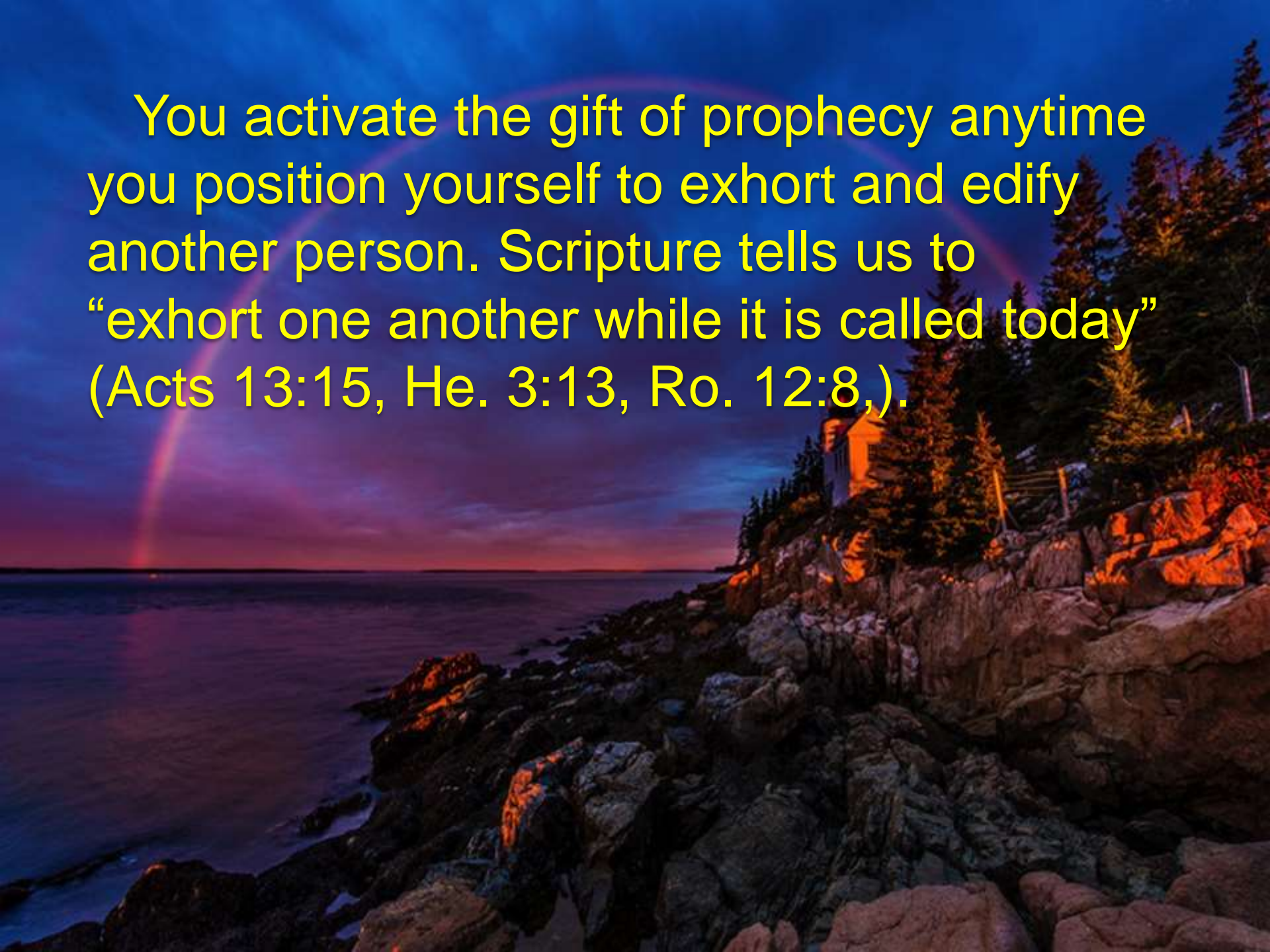
It's time to

Take a Break



Time to
activate *and*
participate






You activate the gift of prophecy anytime you position yourself to exhort and edify another person. Scripture tells us to “exhort one another while it is called today” (Acts 13:15, He. 3:13, Ro. 12:8,).




A Word of Exhortation

Don't put a judgment at the gate of faith, such as "I failed" or "I am not gifted". Fear limits your faith and your expectation.



We celebrate faith not performance. We especially applaud those who step out in faith regardless of outcome.

You will never fail when the motive of your heart is to lift up and edify others, especially when you give a word in love, for “Love never fails” 1 Cor. 13:8

A group of diverse young people, likely students, are shown in a classroom setting. They are all smiling and looking towards the right side of the frame. In the foreground, a young man with dark hair and glasses, wearing a blue and white plaid shirt, has his right hand raised high. To his right, a young woman with long blonde hair, wearing a red, blue, and white plaid shirt, is also smiling. In the background, two other students, a woman and a man, are visible, also smiling. The overall atmosphere is positive and engaged.

Do we have a volunteer that would like to come up front to receive a prophecy from the class?

*As they stand quietly facing the group.
Let the person receiving the word know
they are not to respond to those who give
them a word, or to give any details.*

The facilitator then ask the volunteer,
“What is your name please?”

Now ask the group as they address the person, to do so using their name. Such as “Cindy I can see that you are a giver...”

This gives honor to the person receiving the word, but also if the prophecies are being recorded, to be able to identify to whom the words were given too.

Have the group spend a few minutes resting quietly before the Lord (Be still and know that I am God- Psalms 46:10).

After a few minutes, have the group then minister a word to the person up front, one person at a time that edifies, exhorts and brings comfort (1 Cor. 14:3).

When everyone has finished, asked the person who received the word, if they would like to BRIEFLY share how this impacted them. Where they encouraged? If so, how?

Do this with every volunteer with as many people as you have time for.

Homework Assignment:

During this week, take the initiative to exhort and edify those around you.

Such as your spouse, children, boss and coworkers. I like to give a word of exhortation to my waitress / waiter when dining out. You would be surprised how this goes a long way to make someone's day!



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